

## PowerPoint Presentation on College Majors Notes

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College Majors Structured Presentation (for a PowerPoint)

### **SLIDE 1**

#### **COLLEGE MAJORS**

LINK: website with list of all college majors

If not you do not plan on going to school, some of this content can still apply to potential career paths!

ALSO Keep in mind:

Your major might change :)

### **SLIDE 2**

Choosing a college major...

Look at your interests, values, passions, and abilities

### **SLIDE 3**

#### **ABILITIES**

What can you do, what are you skilled at?

Math, numbers, art or musical skills, computer software, people skills

Keep in mind:

Don't discount what you aren't good at yet, you have so much potential to learn!

You might gain new ones.

### **SLIDE 4**

#### **VALUES**

What are your core values?

Examples of core values: Care and desire to help people, to expand research, to discover new things, to protect nature, to contribute to your religion.

Keep in mind:

Again, this does not need to be the only factor. You might change or get new ones.

### **SLIDE 5**

#### **INTERESTS**

What do you like to do? What do you enjoy talking about, participating in, what things do you find yourself asking questions about/researching?

Examples of interests: Health, sports, art, cultures, language, history, writing, reading,

Keep in mind:

These are not the only factors, interests might change, or you might get new ones!

## **SLIDE 6** **PASSIONS**

Examples of passions: Similar to interests, but much stronger and deeper. One tip: Ask people close to you for their input.

## **SLIDE 7**

Other considerations:

- What majors does your school offer?
- Consider future implications:
  - Will it interest you in years after college?
  - Is it employable?
  - What do careers or post-grad plans look like when taking that major into account?

Helpful tip:

Find this out by asking anyone you know in the field, searching the internet, asking your professors/college guidance office.

## **SLIDE 8**

Other considerations:

Will it pay?

- This is not a bad question to ask yourself.
- Ways you can find out about finances: (links)

Helpful tip:

As always, money should not always be your only decision, but seeking preparation about what pay to expect will benefit you in the long-run.

## **SLIDE 9**

Other considerations:

Choosing to go broader or more specific.

- Broad: business, English,
- Specific: Communicative Sciences & Disorders, Medieval Literature

## **SLIDE 10**

Other helpful tips:

- Think of someone who is older and has gone to college and has a job/does activities you are interested in.
  - Ask them what they majored in.
  - Ask them if they would change that major if they are in school today.
- Meet with advisors.
- Talk to adult relatives or others for their thoughts
- Think about minors, or elective classes

## **SLIDE 11**

Other helpful questions to ask yourself:

- What kind of job is right for me in the future as a career?
  - Will this major I've chosen help me towards it?
- What college is right for me for my undergraduate studies?
  - Does this college offer a great program for my chosen major?
- Does my chosen major fit my abilities, values, interests, and passions?
- Have I identified all the downsides and disadvantages of my chosen major?

## **SLIDE 12**

Closing thought:

Keep in mind:

At the end of the day, you know yourself best, and you can make this exciting decision for yourself! Also, there are still opportunities in school to change the course of your major or your decision!