Know Yourself

Before you can make informed career decisions, you should reflect on information that will help you evaluate career choices.

Values
What is important to you in a job? Challenging work? Co-workers? Work/life balance?

Personality
How would you describe your personality? Does working with others energize you? Do you prefer working independently?

Skills
What skills do you have? Technical? Analytical? Languages? Research?

Interests
What subjects or activities excite you? Problem solving? Database management? What industry interests you?

Mapping Your Career Trajectory

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- Meet with OCS staff and academic advisor to establish goals
- Develop leadership skills through clubs and participation in community engagement
- Evaluate potential majors by talking to other students, faculty and staff
- Attend professional development seminars
- Write or update resume and cover letters
- Meet company recruiters at employer information sessions, tech talks and career fairs
- Participate in company visits
- Learn about summer research opportunities or internships through weekly newsletters
- Prepare for general, technical and case interviews
- Research graduate school programs and entrance requirements; write personal statements
- Network with alumni and other professionals
- Create and maintain a LinkedIn profile
- Research salaries to prepare for job offers and negotiations
Linking Majors to Careers

While choosing a major is an important decision, it doesn’t lock you into a specific job or career. Your HMC degree will prepare you for jobs in the present and the future.

An HMC major provides you with valuable skills and knowledge. It is only part of what makes you highly employable. Internships, research, Clinic projects and leadership activities are also very helpful.

Once you choose a major, you certainly aren’t committed for life. Changing majors or adding electives in another major are common practices in college.

So what have graduates done with their majors?

For more job titles, check the OCS website under Majors to Careers.