### De Anza College

## CLP 5, College Major and Career Options, Spring 2023

#### **Course and Contact Information**

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Classroom: MLC 111

### **Course Description**

This course helps students to identify compatible college majors and career options by completing a variety of self-assessment inventories. Students will examine how individual, family, social, and cultural perspectives influence the college major and career decision-making process. The course will review college major and career myths, the purpose and structure of higher education, and organizational structures found in employment settings.

#### **Prerequisites**

Advisory EWRT 211 and READ 211, or ESL 272 and ESL 273

#### **Canvas: De Anza Course Management System**

Course materials such as syllabus, handouts, assignments, etc. can be found on the CLP 5 Canvas learning management system course website. You are responsible for regularly checking Canvas to learn of any updates.

## **Course Objectives**

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## **Student Learning Outcomes**

Choose a college major and career option by analyzing a multitude of factors involved in career development such as: personality, values, skills, interests, attitudes, and family and culture.

#### **Classroom Protocol**

Active participation and positive engagement are essential to the quality of the course. You are expected to attend every scheduled class on time and actively engage in class discussions and exercises relevant to the course content. You are also expected to listen attentively to your

classmates' ideas and provide constructive feedback when appropriate. Please avoid cell phone use or other electronic communication while in class.

# **Course Schedule**

Week	Topics
Week 1	Welcome and Introductions
Week 2	Self Management Skills
Week 3	Learning Styles
Week 4	Values and Interests
Week 5	Personality and Skills
Week 6	Choosing a Major
Week 7	Midterm Project
Week 8	Writing a Resume and Cover Letter
Week 9	Interviewing Skills
Week 10	Finances
Week 11	Analysis and Review
Week 12	Final Project