

Lesson Plan

Grade level(s): 11th grade

Topic: Higher Education Options

Objective(s): Students will be able to understand how to find and use information regarding higher education options

Big6 Skills: #1 Task Definition
#2 Information Seeking Strategies
#3 Location and Access
#4 Use of Information
#5 Synthesis

Materials Required: each student on own computer, college and tech/trade school handbooks, catalogs and pamphlets, course schedules

Time Required: four days

Description of activities: 1) students make list of criteria for specific higher education programs of choice (schools, finances, planning, living accommodations, length of study, etc.)
2) students visit career center to view higher education information sources
3) students use their list of criteria to determine best possible sources of information (i.e.: school's website, catalog, etc.)
4) students create matrix that shows information for each school in each of the criterion areas

Assessment: Evaluate student-created matrix in personal interview with student; ask student to summarize future plans based on information he/she gathered during higher education research

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