



Major/ Career Connections

The "S" Interest Cluster: "Social"

Matching Personalities with Majors/ Careers

Majors and careers can be clustered into 6 broad interest areas that correspond to 6 different personality types. Based on the research of Dr. John Holland, this clustering system provides a preliminary way to identify undergraduate majors and careers that might be a satisfying fit for you. **Because personality, majors, and careers are too complex to be described by a single interest theme, you will see that the lists below have a 3 letter code to more accurately describe majors and careers using a combination of related interests (in order of importance).** This "Social" sheet reflects the interest cluster that ranks the "S" theme first, but be sure to review the other 5 sheets to see if any of those themes (R,A,I,C,E) are more descriptive of your interests.

Am I Social?

Check off your interests, values, abilities, and qualities to find out.

Interests	Values	Talents & Abilities	Qualities
<input type="checkbox"/> Music, reading, drama	<input type="checkbox"/> Social interaction	<input type="checkbox"/> Communication	<input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative
<input type="checkbox"/> Helping others	<input type="checkbox"/> Impacting individuals	<input type="checkbox"/> Teaching	<input type="checkbox"/> Outgoing
<input type="checkbox"/> Religion	<input type="checkbox"/> Impacting society	<input type="checkbox"/> Leading, Advising	<input type="checkbox"/> Understanding
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Working on teams	<input type="checkbox"/> Encouraging	<input type="checkbox"/> Insightful
<input type="checkbox"/> Community-service	<input type="checkbox"/> Expressing feelings	<input type="checkbox"/> Listening	<input type="checkbox"/> Helpful
<input type="checkbox"/> Social activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Growth of others	<input type="checkbox"/> Facilitating	<input type="checkbox"/> Trustworthy

These are characteristics of the social type. Social people are community-service oriented, interested in educational activities, prefer social interaction, and are concerned with social/ religious issues. They like to inform, enlighten, train, develop or cure others. They may also be skilled with words. If this sounds like you, read on. If not, try one of the other five interest cluster sheets.

What Majors are Social?

Following is a small sample of majors a social person might choose:

Major (Interest Code)	School	Major (Interest Code)	School
Criminal Justice (SEC)*	SPEA	Physical Education (SER)*	PE
Counseling (SIA)	EDUC	Political Science/ Government (SEI)	LIBA
Dental Hygiene (SAI)	DENT	Pre-physical Therapy (SIE)	PE
Elementary Education (SEC)*	EDUC	Psychology (SIE)*	SCI
History (SEI)*	LIBA	Religious Studies (SAI)	LIBA
Nursing (SIA)	NURS	Secondary Education (SAE)	EDUC
Occupational Therapy (SRE)*	AHLT	Social Work (SEC)*	SWK
Paralegal (SCE)	LIBA	Special Education (SEC)	EDUC
Philosophy (SAI)	LIBA	Speech Pathology/ Audiology (SAI)	NA

* Select a profile sheet for information on these majors. Majors in **bold** are not offered at IUPUI.

What Careers are Social?

Following is a small sample of careers a social person might choose:

Teacher (SAE)	Dental Hygienist (SAI)
Nurse (SIA)	Career Counselor (SAE)
Psychologist (SIE)	Athletic Director (SER)
Social Worker (SEC)	Dean of Students (SEA)
Director of Guidance in Schools (SEI)	Police Officer (SCR)
Athletic Trainer (SRE)	Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (SEC)
Respiratory Therapist (SIR)	Religious Education Director (SEA)
Dietician (SIE)	Child Development Specialist (SEC)
Physical Therapist (SIE)	Appraiser, Real Estate (SCE)
Probation-and-Parole Officer (SIE)	Occupational Therapist (SRE)
Minister (SAI)	School Principal (SEI)
Speech Pathologist (SAI)	Recreation Leader (SEI)

Definitions of the above job titles can be found at www.doleta.gov/programs/onet. For additional social majors or careers consult your academic advisor or a career counselor.

How do I Select a Major/Career?

Selecting a major/career is a very involved process, requiring careful evaluation of yourself as well as academic and occupational information. No single questionnaire, assessment, or person can tell you what you should pursue. In order to make the best choices, it is important to consider your unique combination of interests, values, abilities, personality, and experiences. **Keep in mind that majors and careers can accommodate a wide range of interests; exact fit is not necessary for academic and career satisfaction.** The majors/careers above are suggested only as starting points for your exploration. Specific major/career decisions can be discussed in more detail with your academic advisor or career counselor. For more information on choosing a major you may also want to check out www.iupui.edu/~career1/studentsf.html.



Where Can I get More Information?



Assessing Academic/ Career Interests (Holland code with link to careers/ IUPUI courses)	testing.tc.iupui.edu/online/merkler (must use campus computer only)
Schools/Majors/ Degrees Offered at IUPUI	www.iupui.edu/academic/schooldegrees.htm
Course Requirements for each IUPUI Major	uc.iupui.edu/checksht/home.asp#A
Course Descriptions for all IUPUI Courses	bulletin.iupui.edu
“What I can do with a Major in...?”	www.uncwil.edu/stuaff/career/Majors/majors.htm www.utexas.edu/student/careercenter/career_ideas
Academic Advising at IUPUI	http://uc.iupui.edu/Aa/FAQ/Questions/Advising.asp
Career Counseling at IUPUI	www.iupui.edu/~career
Career Profiles (salary, outlook, educational requirements, etc)	http://stats.bls.gov/oco/home.htm http://www.icpac.indiana.edu/careers/career_profiles/