



Career Curriculum and Policy

Introduction

The Career Service is here to assist all students in an individual, impartial and supportive manner to help them get to know their strengths and interests, build their future education and career goals and help prepare them for the challenges and adventures that lie ahead. All students receive individual guidance and the support necessary to meet their career counselling needs.

Key Principles

- Students are encouraged to start learning and thinking about their interests and strengths when they reach secondary school
- Each student is an individual and is treated as such with careful attention to their unique talents, goals, aspirations and challenges
- Every student is entitled to individualised impartial advice, support and assistance to help them define and attain their future goals
- A Career Service (CS) is provided on regular basis and ensures good communication between students and administration

Aims

The CS supports the personal development of each student by:

- helping build self-confidence, self-reliance and self-esteem;
- fostering the development of critical thinking, research and presentation skills;
- promoting positive and informed attitudes to learning and goal setting;
- encouraging self discovery and understanding of strengths and interests;
- dispensing information on as large a range of education and career options as possible;
- providing guidance in the best interest of the individual student;
- inspiring every student to find their optimum way through the creation and use of future mapping;
- opening doors to their future.

Career Guidance Curriculum

6ème and 5ème

- Self discovery;
- Opportunity for interest and personality type testing;
- Tutorials on key tools/resources available and elements to start putting in place (e.g long standing extra-curricular activities) for both students, parents and carers;
- Encourage students to get involved in service learning, sports and cultural activities to build their profiles according to their interests and strengths;
- Development of Student Profile Builder to assist students;
- Letter to Self tutorials;
- Work in conjunction with learning specialist and web librarian.

4ème and 3ème

- Tutorials on French, English and International academic qualifications (Baccalaureate options in France, exams and diplomas in the United Kingdom);
- Discovery of career fields with " Get To Know" tutorial series and "So You Want To Be A" Series; "Topical Forums"
- Profile Builder Checker tutorials and individual follow up with students, parents and carers;
- Review of Letter to Self.

Throughout all years personal development and career ready skills are developed and honed through the Careers of Metacognition Curriculum (CMC). An external provider will be appointed in due time.

Career Guidance Suggested Links

www.direct.gov.uk/nationalcareersservice job profiles on hundreds of careers, skills builders and career planning for young people and adults.

To learn about applying to British universities look at www.ucas.com and at The Guardian University Guide. Another interesting website is www.hero.ac.uk.

www.eduscol.education.fr

L'Onisep (Office National d'Information sur les Enseignements et les Professions)

www.onisep.fr<http://www.onisep.fr/>

l'Onisep "Mon orientation en ligne" www.monorientationenligne.fr

CIDJ ou Centre d'Information et de Documentation Jeunesse

www.cidj.com (to be viewed at school)

www.jcomjeune.com/

Government website about student life, financial aid, educational path options and mobility

www.etudiant.gouv.fr

For Canada, Maclean's magazine university issue describes and ranks universities, it is published every November. Each province has its own system for applying. The most comprehensive online resource is: www.aucc.ca.

For the U.S., 25-26 September 2015 : Fulbright USA College Day in London SW6. Registration is required and spaces are limited. Fulbright put on a College Day attended by advisers and most of the US universities each year in September. Even if you are not yet ready to choose a university, this is a good opportunity to ask specific questions directly to the colleges and get their opinions:

Fulbright USA College Day info at: www.fulbright.org.uk/news-events/usa-study-events/usa-college-day

www.movingonmagazine.co.uk web based careers magazine, with short articles relating to careers and qualifications, plus advice and information.

www.careersbox.co.uk Short films about many careers and general careers information

www.icould.com A guide to careers in science and technology.

www.icould.com/whose-crew-are-you Help to identify the areas of science or technology you might be suited to.

www.creativeskillset.org An excellent guide to creative careers in areas such as film and TV, design, writing and games development.

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