

You must complete this assignment if you miss one class or are more than 15 minutes late to a class

Service Learning Internship “I-SEARCH” Process

The “I-Search” process teaches students how to identify, search through, and analyze information about a specific topic and then develop appropriate conclusions. The most essential part of the “I- Search” process is selecting a topic of value and high interest to you. To start the “I Search” process choose a career field of your choice and follow the steps outlined to develop a paper based on your research. By taking an active part in this process, you should acquire sufficient information to help determine if this is the career path you want to take in life.

The paper should be between 3 and 5 pages in length. It must be typed and double spaced. The paper will be evaluated on completeness of the information and soundness of the conclusions.

The “I-Search” Process

1. I Know: Before conducting any formal research, write a statement about what you already know, assume or imagine to be true about the career you have chosen. Formulate an essential question or questions to be answered. List four possible sources in which to find information.

2. The Search: In this section write what you have learned through your research. Include: schooling, job outlook and availability, salary range, other career options in this career path, responsibilities of this specific career, etc. You may use interviews, broadcast news, observation, electronic databases, current magazines, direct quotes, Internet, Pioneer databases, etc.

3. I Discovered: Conclusions you have made after researching the specific career. Write a statement comparing what you thought you knew with what you discovered. Write a conclusion answering the essential question you asked in the “I Know” section. Now how do you feel now about the career you have researched?

4. Bibliography: Create a Works Cited page crediting sources actually used in your research. You must use at least 4 sources. You should include a detailed description of each source used. This should include the pertinent information the reader would need to look up your source.