

## Essay Outline

- I. Introduction
  - A. Hook – (quote, figurative language, anecdote, startling statistic, etc.)
  - B. Background –How did you become interested in this career? Where are you in terms of your own education, skills and motivation in regards to their career of choice?
  - C. Thesis – Justification: How and why will \_\_\_\_\_ be a viable career for the future?
    - a. Ex: **Becoming a \_\_\_\_\_ is a viable career choice because \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.**
- II. Body Section #1 – **CURRENT/HISTORICAL Career PROFILE**
  - A. Current and historical trends for this career
    - a. Gender
    - b. Skills
    - c. Salary range/Benefits
    - d. Physical, mental, emotional demands/requirements
    - e. Tasks/Duties/Responsibilities
    - f. Working Conditions
    - g. Aptitude (abilities)
    - h. Job Satisfaction
    - i. Impact on individual (family, lifestyle, etc.)
    - j. Other
- III. Body Section #2-Career **PATH**
  - A. Level of education necessary
  - B. Educational Challenges (example: College majors not necessarily lining up with career paths.)
  - C. Hiring Process
  - D. Required training, certification, etc.
  - E. Professional development/Advancement/Continuing education
- IV. Body Section #3--Potential **FUTURE** Career Profile
  - A. Economic conditions—technology, world markets, cost of living, micro/macro
  - B. Societal changes—How will this job change as society changes?
  - C. Impact on the individual—family commitments, time commitments, etc.
  - D. Historical Trends
- V. Conclusion
  - A. Justification – synthesize information from the above three paragraphs
  - B. Personal plan for next steps