YOUR GUIDE TO
CHOOSING A CAREER
What do YOU want to do?

We know what you’re thinking. You’re almost in college. You should have your life figured out by now, right? The many choices you have when deciding on a career can be overwhelming. Rest assured the career experts at Mercy College are here to help answer your questions about selecting a major, preparing for a successful career while in college and finding a job.

EXPLORE.

MORE THAN 90 CAREER MAJORS IN OUR 5 ACADEMIC SCHOOLS

INTERNSHIPS TO GAIN CAREER EXPERIENCE AND DISCOVER WHAT YOU’RE PASSIONATE ABOUT

DOZENS OF WAYS TO GET INVOLVED AND ADD TO YOUR RESUME INCLUDING CLUBS, ACTIVITIES, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND NCAA DIVISION II ATHLETICS

PREPARE.

WORKSHOPS ON RESUME BUILDING AND INTERVIEWING SKILLS TO HELP YOU LAND INTERNSHIPS AND A JOB

START A STUDENT RUN BUSINESS AND GAIN CAREER SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

VALUABLE NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES, SUCH AS LUNCHEONS WITH A LEADER, CORPORATE VISITS, EMPLOYER CONTACTS AND CAREER FAIRS

ACHIEVE.

91 PERCENT OF OUR 2014 AND 2015 GRADUATES HAD POSITIVE CAREER OUTCOMES WITHIN 6 MONTHS*

WE HAVE MORE THAN 53,000 ALUMNI THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY TO NETWORK WITH

CONNECTIONS TO HUNDREDS OF EMPLOYERS AT FORTUNE 500 COMPANIES, EDUCATION AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, MEDICAL FACILITIES AND MORE

If you’re not sure what you want to study yet, use this guide to take you through some different ideas.

I’m not sure what I want to do... yet.

It’s okay! Mercy can help you answer that question.

You don’t have to decide on a major right away. With personalized attention from Career Services and Mercy’s nationally recognized PACT mentor program, you’ll be able to navigate the confusing college landscape. From day one your PACT mentor will work with you on all aspects of college life: personally, academically and professionally.

Your PACT mentor will help you find the right major, select the right courses, build your professional résumé, find the right internships and prepare you for future career success.

With PACT’s guidance, you’ll be encouraged to pursue internships early in your Mercy career, preparing you for your professional life while you are in college.

Not only that, but our Career Services team works tirelessly to provide our students with state-of-the-art resources and programs to teach you how to use your Mercy education and professional preparation in the career that’s right for you.

Let’s take a look at some of the possibilities together...

*Represents the percentage of 2014 and 2015 graduates who are working in full or part time jobs, enrolled in grad school or performing military or voluntary service within six months of graduation.
**I want to help people.**

If more people thought like YOU, the world would be a better place.

Helping professions such as nursing, social workers, psychologists and occupational therapists made U.S. News & World Report’s list of the “100 Best Jobs” due to the availability of positions, median salary level and job satisfaction in those professions.

Mercy’s facilities, including state-of-the-art computer labs and science labs, give you the opportunity to work with the technology and equipment you will encounter in the workforce. Our connections with leading healthcare providers can help guide you as you find internships and jobs.

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**MERCY DEGREES TO PUT YOU ON TRACK...**

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**POTENTIAL CAREERS**

- Aide
- Doctor
- Nurse
- Physical Trainer
- Psychologist
- Social Worker
- Therapist
- Veterinarian

Reghan Gianelli
B.S. in Behavioral Science — Gerontology ‘15

I chose to transfer to Mercy College because it is enabling me to follow my heart and passion to work with the elderly and make a difference in someone’s life everyday.
I want to be in the business of opportunity.

Successful Organizations are built by insightful and ambitious people like YOU searching for the next big thing.

Employers value someone who can communicate clearly and concisely, which is exactly what Mercy’s business professors trained me to do. I graduated with three job offers from Fortune 500 companies.

*According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, business professions such as management analysts, financial analysts and market research analysts are all expected to increase by more than 16 percent through 2022, and all have median incomes that are twice the national median income for all jobs.*

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- Business Administration: Entrepreneurship B.S.
- Business Administration: Finance B.S.
- Business Administration: General Business B.S.
- Business Administration: International Business B.S.
- Business Administration: Management B.S.
- Business Administration: Marketing B.S.
- Communication Studies: Public Relations B.S.
- General Accounting B.S.
- General Accounting: Computer and Information Systems B.S.
- General Accounting: Financial Accounting B.S.
- General Accounting: Taxation B.S.
- International Relations and Diplomacy B.S.
- Management Accounting B.S.
- Public Accounting B.S.
- Public Accounting B.S./M.S.
- Business Administration A.A.S.

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**POTENTIAL CAREERS**

- Accountant
- Advertising
- Entrepreneur
- Financial Planner
- Manager
- Operations Specialist
- Public Relations
- Sports Management

Anthony Sicuranza  
B.S. in Business Administration — Finance ’15

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I want to teach the next generation.

A noble calling for YOU to help educate our future generation and shape the leaders of tomorrow.

Teaching is not only a creative and rewarding profession, it is also full of growth and opportunity. As the nation grows, teachers are in demand at all levels. Over the next five years, teaching positions are predicted to increase by 17 percent through 2022.

Mercy College is the only institution in the United States to be awarded initial national accreditation by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and its successor organization, the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). A Mercy degree in any of these educational fields is a powerful tool that can help you as you mold the minds of the next generation of students.

*According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

MERCY DEGREES TO PUT YOU ON TRACK...

- Behavioral Science and Childhood Education, Grades 1-6 B.S./M.S.
- Behavioral Science and Early Childhood Education, Birth - Grade 2 B.S./M.S.
- Biology and Secondary Education, Grades 7-12 B.S./M.S.
- English and Secondary Education, Grades 7-12 B.S./M.S.
- History and Secondary Education, Grades 7-12 B.S./M.S.
- Mathematics and Secondary Education, Grades 7-12 B.S./M.S.
- Psychology and Childhood Education, Grades 1-6 B.S./M.S.
- Psychology and Early Childhood Education, Birth-Grade 2 B.S./M.S.
- Special Education A.B.A.
- Biology B.S.
- English B.A.
- History B.A.
- Mathematics B.S.
- Spanish B.A.

POTENTIAL CAREERS

- Child Care
- Grade School Teacher
- High School Teacher
- Middle School Teacher
- Preschool Teacher
- Professor
- Special Education Teacher
- Teacher’s Aide
- Teacher’s Assistant

Erika Soderlund
B.S./M.S. in Mathematics and Secondary Education – Grades 7-12

Getting my Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in just five years means soon I’ll be doing what I really love – helping 12-year-olds master algebra.
YOUR innovative spirit is what drives our technology forward and builds the world of tomorrow.

STEM concentrations teach you the basics of science and mathematics so you can go on to pursue a career in any STEM field (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics).

These are some of the fastest growing and highest paid fields, tackling some of the most pressing issues we face as a society today. STEM careers are predicted to keep growing at an above average rate, same as high as 34 percent, through 2022* and influence nearly all fields and professions.

*Mercy College is a STEM jobs approved college.

This award (STEM jobs approved college) recognizes that the College understands the importance of aligning our programs to high demand, high paying STEM jobs and helping students to achieve those career aspirations.

I want to help solve the world’s problems.

Pamela Bleve
M.S. in Cybersecurity '16

I have always been in love with technology and as I continued with my career I realized something was missing. I was motivated to further my studies and Mercy is helping me accomplish that goal.
I want to work for the public good.

Public service professions give YOU the satisfaction that you’re working to build a better society.

The public service professions are booming. Degrees in public service professions are in demand from both public and private employers, and are growing at a rate of 19 percent through 2022. You’ll also feel satisfied that you spent your day doing something that you are passionate about.

Mercy College is here to give you the tools you need to secure a career working for the public good from legal services to social work. Our faculty bring their years of professional experience to the classroom and work with their students to help them achieve their academic and career goals. Our students have also landed internships at local organizations where they gained career experiences and made valuable industry connections.

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Because of the education I am receiving at Mercy, I earned a student training position with the United States Department of Justice. While I will be a certified paralegal when I graduate, I plan on attending law school after graduation.

Steven Martinez
B.S. in Legal Studies '15

*According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
The creative arts can be the place for YOU to design the future.

Remember when you were a kid and used to color and draw on everything possible? Now get prepared to do that professionally, and get paid to write, draw and design anything your mind can create. The world needs more free thinkers, especially those with training in creative industries. According to U.S. News & World Report, art directors are number ten on their list of “Best Paying Jobs,” and number three on their list of “Best Creative Jobs.” Creative positions can be fun and profitable.

Mercy College not only helps you learn what it takes to be a big thinker, but will also give you the邮轮 you need to find a job or internship with leading companies in creative fields. In addition to career and internship support, we have four dedicated computer and design labs, two drawing/art studios, state-of-the-art recording studios, and all of the software and equipment you need to bring your creativity to life.

MERCY DEGREES TO PUT YOU ON TRACK...

- Computer Arts + Design B.F.A.
- Journalism and Media: Film, Culture B.S.
- Journalism and Media: Journalism B.S.
- Journalism and Media: Radio and Television Production B.S.
- Music Industry and Technology B.S.
- English B.A.
- Spanish Language and Literature B.A.

I want to share my creativity.

Potential careers include:
- Art Director
- Camera Operator
- Filmmaker
- Graphic Designer
- Journalist
- Photographer
- Producer
- Publishing

While other students will only have internships on their résumés, I can hand employers a CD and say ‘I made this.’ It’s a beautiful thing.

Jairus McNeill
B.S. in Music Industry and Technology ’14