EXPLORING POST-SECONDARY OPTIONS

Naviance Student

Lesson Tasks

Learn key post-secondary terms to help with researching options after high school

Use SuperMatch and Washington Career Bridge to explore for university, college, and training programs that might be the right "fit" for your future

Add two colleges with your desired programs to your Colleges I'm Thinking About list

LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

Ready for What Comes Next?

Often well-meaning people ask "what are you doing after high school" as soon as you start your senior year.

This can be stressful and the important thing to remember is to find the right **FIT** for you!

As you go through your senior year, use the figure out what you want to do and develop your PLAN for after high school graduation.

Glossary for Post-Secondary Terms

<u>Certificate of Completion</u> — Awarded in many technical and career fields and designed to prepare graduates for employment. Typically programs are one year in length and can lead to an associate degree.

<u>Associate Degree</u> — A two-year college degree awarded at a community or technical college upon completion of coursework (i.e. Associate of Arts; Associate of Science).

<u>Bachelor Degree</u> — A four-year college degree at a university, college, also offered at some two-year colleges. Awarded upon completion of all coursework. (i.e. Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science).

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<u>Open Admission</u> — An admission policy that accepts students without regard to the criteria of grade point average and/or test scores.

<u>Regular Admission</u> — The application process that requires application materials to be submitted no later than the specified deadline. Admission responses are usually received in March.

<u>Early Action</u> — An admission plan used primarily in highly selective colleges. Under Early Action, you follow an accelerated application process and usually apply by November 1. You will be notified of a decision by mid-December, but, if you are accepted, you do not have to let the institution know of your decision until May 1.

<u>Early Decision</u> — An admission plan well-qualified applicants who are definitely committed to their choice of college. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance or refusal in December. Acceptance under Early Decision requires you to withdraw applications at other colleges.

FINDING THE RIGHT FIT

Post-Secondary College & University Options

Public Colleges	Private Colleges	
 Funded by local and state governments Usually offer lower tuition rates than private colleges for in-state residents 	 Funded primarily by tuition, fees, and other private sources Private donations can fund generous financial aid packages for students 	
WESTERN WESTERN	Saint Martin's UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY	
Liberal Arts Colleges & Universities	For Profit Colleges	
 Offer a broad base of courses in liberal arts Literature, history, languages, math, life sciences Most are private offering four-year programs WHITMAN COLLEGE state college	 Businesses that offer a variety of degree programs Typically prepare you for specific career Tend to have higher costs and not all credits transfer DigiPen INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	
Special Focus Colleges	Specialized Mission Colleges	
Focused on a specific interest or student population CORNISH CORNISH	 HBCUs – Historically black colleges and universities HSIs – Hispanic-serving institutions Offer programs, services and activities targeted toward underrepresented students 	

Guaranteed Admissions Program (GAP)

- Everett Public Schools is a participating institution in the following guaranteed admissions programs, or GAP:
- The <u>Guaranteed Admission Program</u> with Washington four-year, public institutions
- The <u>Automatic Admission Partnership</u> with Pacific Lutheran University
- The Guaranteed Admission Program with <u>Saint Martin's University</u>

Central Washington University
Eastern Washington University
The Evergreen State College
Pacific Lutheran University
Saint Martin's University
University of Washington Tacoma
Washington State University
Western Washington University

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Guaranteed Admissions Program (GAP)

To qualify for the Guaranteed Admissions Program, a student must have:

- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (GPA of 3.3 for Pacific Lutheran University)
- Completed necessary College Academic Distribution Requirements (CADR) courses in high school (typically mirrors high school grad requirements)
- Completed the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Form (which
 is included in the student handbook, the enrollment form, or annual student
 information update) and provided permission to share high school student
 information with colleges.

If all of these are true or the student is on track to meet these criteria by high school graduation, GAP guarantees the student will be admitted to all participating institutions.

Community & Technical College Options

Community Colleges Two-year colleges Open access, affordable, no SAT/ACT requirement Earn an associate degree and/or transfer to four-year college Two-year colleges Open access, affordable, no SAT/ACT requirement Earn an associate degree, certificate of completion or transfer to

- Some offer bachelor degree programs
- Often programs partner with industry to prepare for workforce
- Earn an associate degree, certificate of completion or transfer to four-year college
- Commonly offer programs focused on career pathways
- Partner with industry to prepare for workforce















TECHNICA







Training & Certificate Options

Internships	Apprenticeships	Military	Employment
 An intern is a student undergoing supervised practical training. Real-life applications of the skills students learn in school. An internship is a way to "try on a job" before deciding on a career. 	 Training program where you earn wages while learning a skilled profession in a specific field. Supervised by a trade professional Includes classroom studies and on-the-job training Earn a salary while you learn about your trade 	 Educational opportunities Up to 90% tuition assistance for college courses Technical training in over 200 skill areas G.I. Bill-Tuition for any school 	 Entering the workforce after graduation Paid positions either full time or part time.

FIND YOUR FIT

SuperMatch Search

SuperMatch allows you to search for post-secondary opportunities based on your interests.

By selecting different criteria, a list of options are generated.

There are thousands of choices from culinary and military to technical colleges and four –year universities.

Select your preferences and see what you find!

Log in to Naviance Student

Click **Students** from school website

Click **Naviance** button

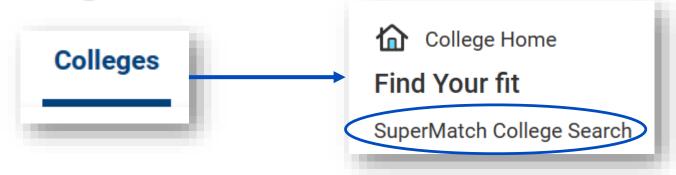
Log in with district ID# and password



Naviance Student

SuperMatch

Click on Colleges > SuperMatch College Search



Remember that many technical, trade, and apprenticeship options are also at colleges in your community!

Find Your Best Fit

To get started...click the Select Criteria To Start button and customize your search based on your preferences

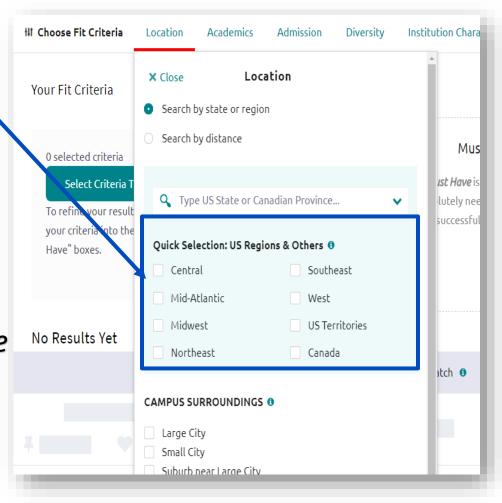
HIT Choose Fit Criteria Location Academics Admission Diversity Institution Characteristics Cost Student Life Athletics

Select Criteria To
Start

More Search Options

Each criteria will have lists of options to refine your search

You can rate the importance by selecting, Kinda, Very and Must Have (the more information your provide, the more accurate your search will be)



Check out a "Match"

When you finish selecting your criteria, click on the name of the college and check out the information.



Explore the Information

Pick what to show > Pick what to show Custor Admission Info Athletics Diversity Cost Custor Highlights Institution Characteristics Student Life

Admission Info - acceptance rate and application fee

Athletics - Division and sports

Diversity - male/female, out of state, international, minorities

Cost - tuition and fees

Highlights – upcoming college visits to your school

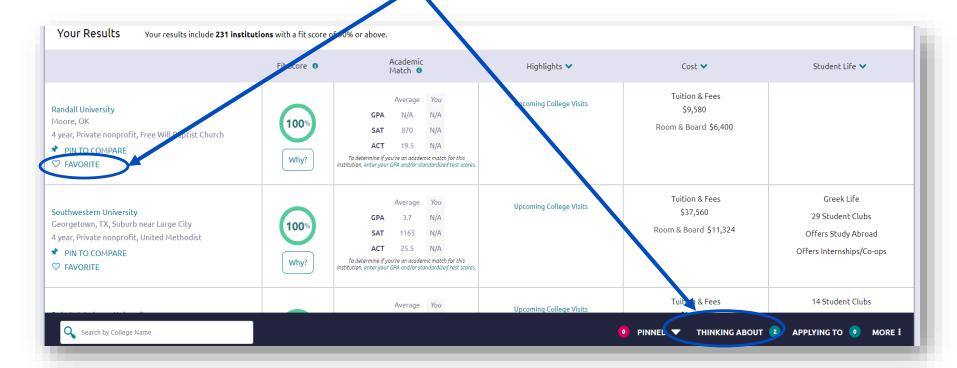
Institution Characteristics - undergrad size, graduation rate, retention rate

Student Life - Greek life, student clubs, offerings

By clicking on the University name you can find additional information.

Add to Your Favorites

Once you have identified a college or program of interest, click the heart to add to your **Colleges I'm thinking about** list.



Not Seeing Your Future Option?

Check out Washington Career Bridge!

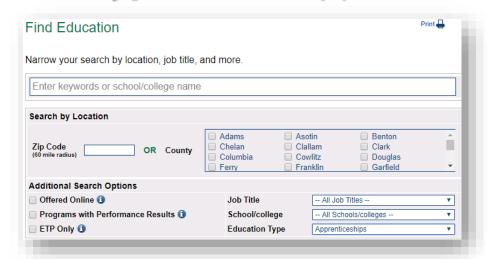
(careerbridge.wa.gov)

Click Find Education

FIND EDUCATION



Type the **job title** or search **by location** or search by **education type** such as apprenticeships.

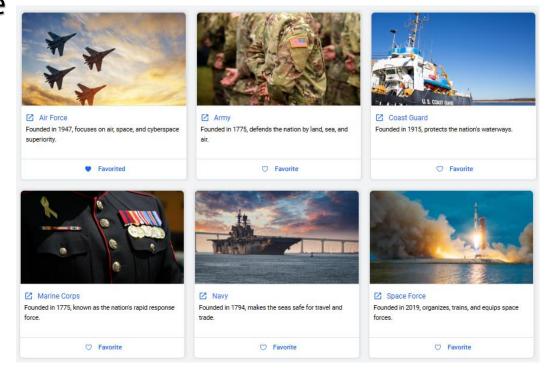


Interested in the Military?

Within the college search options, you can access military colleges/programs.



If you are interested in the military right after high school, check out the resources in Naviance.



TASK COMPLETION...

Complete the Task...

To complete the lesson, make sure you have added a minimum of two college and/or programs to your **Colleges I'm thinking** about list.

