

The So what are you going to do after high school? Research Paper
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The Basics:

- MLA format with a minimum page length of four and a maximum page length of six
- At least six sources -- online sources may only come via NCWiseOwl, College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) or .edu and .gov sources

The paper should answer the following questions -- you may section your paper off to deal with these particular questions if you like:

1) What is it you would like to do? Why do you think you would enjoy this?

It may seem like these are personal questions only that do not require a source. This is incorrect. Find sources that explain, review, or discuss this future and explain what elements you find attractive.

2) Do you have any alternative ideas? You can expand on any other ideas, albeit in less detail than you did for your primary choice.

3) What education is required for your first choice of career? Detail the most important elements of at least two choices. Be sure to include:

- A) Your assessment of how your academic profile (GPA, ACT, SAT, etc.) fits their admission standards
- B) The financial cost, considering all costs -- tuition, books, living expenses, personal expenses -- of each option
- C) Research any scholarships particularly relevant to your school of choice
- D) Other factors important to you -- distance, size, location, campus personality, variety of degree programs, etc.

Places to begin your search:

- US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics: bls.gov (<http://www.bls.gov/>)
- NC WiseOwl: login from HCS Students/Resources page (<http://www.ncwiseowl.org/>)
- College Foundation of North Carolina: cfnc.org (<https://www.cfnc.org/index.jsp>)

- **MLA/APA/Chicago Style Citation Chart:**
<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B51XxqFnNJODYm5sMERGV0lWRXM>
(Format for **online sources** begins on page 4 of the document)
- Link to Purdue OWL MLA formatting and style guide:
<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>