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2. [Family Options](#) for more info:

- [Academic Achievement](#)
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- [Jobs & Training Programs, MO](#)

3. [Official Missouri State Website](#)**4. [Educational Opportunity Centers, StL MO](#)**[FastWeb](#) – Earning a degree & financial aid information!

- a. [Adventures in Education](#)
- b. [Career & College Planning](#)
- c. [College.gov, I'm Going](#)
- d. [College Majors](#) U of MO
- e. [College Navigator](#)
- f. [College Planning](#) CEEB
- g. [College Planning Checklist](#)
- h. [College Search](#) ACT
- i. [Education Planner](#)
- j. [High School Action Plan](#) CEEB
- k. [Historically Black Coll/Univ](#)
- l. [March 2 Success](#)
- m. [Peterson's](#)
- n. [Planning & Resources](#)
- o. [Preparing for Your Education](#)
- p. [Student Edge – Peterson's](#)
- q. [Students.gov](#)
- r. [U.S. Dept of Education](#)
- s. [Web U.S. Higher Education](#)
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Resources for Parents, Students, & Job-Seekers[Bookmark](#)[Job & Community](#)[Job Plan](#)[Job Resources](#)**Parents & Students – College, High School & Middle School:**

Monthly Reminders from

[MO Dept of Higher Education](#) will help you plan for higher education!

[WIA](#) may pay for job training or education.Visit [MO Education & Career Hotlink](#).Talk w/a [MO Career Center](#) rep to see if you qualify.**[Planning & Paying for College](#)**[Help for Families](#) [StL Tax Assistance Program](#) [United Way](#) – [Dial 211 for Help](#) – [Phone Numbers to Know](#)

What's next after high school? You have many choices for higher education. Even if you're unsure, the time to plan for your future is now. The same skills and knowledge needed to get into college are the same needed to get a good job.

[Skills & Strengths College Students Have & That Employers Love](#) Planning for college -- even if you don't go right away -- gives you an advantage.

[Hottest Careers for College Graduates](#)[STL College Connection](#)[College, Careers & Jobs Guide](#)**1. [Associate of Arts \(A.A.\) or Associate of Science \(A.S.\) degree:](#) A degree awarded after completing a two-year college program. [St. Louis Community College – Degrees & Certificates](#)**

St. Louis Community College



Metropolitan Community College
Penn Valley

These schools are open to everyone, though a high school diploma or GED is sometimes required. These schools are relatively inexpensive and offer flexible class schedules including nighttime courses. It's often possible to transfer to a four-year school and get a B.A. or B.S. after earning your A.A. degree. Visit the SLCC [Career & Tech Ed Programs](#).

2. **Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree:** A degree awarded after completing a four- or five-year college program. [Choosing Your College Major](#) [St. Louis University – Majors & Degrees](#)

Four-year universities and colleges offer B.A. and B.S. degrees.

[Education Pays](#) in higher earnings & lower unemployment rates! [Wages by Occupation & Local Area](#)

[4-Yr College/University](#) [What can I do w/a major in?](#) [College Admissions Selectivity Categories](#)

[Web U.S. Higher Education](#) – (Universities, Colleges, Community Colleges Graduates) from four-year colleges and universities are in greater demand by employers and generally earn more money than non-graduates.

[Education Pays](#) --Tuition costs can be high and may include fees for living on-campus, but financial aid is available for all students – [Students.gov](#). A common misconception is that you need to know what you want to do before going to college. On the contrary, college is a place to explore your interests -- and abilities in a multitude of new areas. Liberal arts colleges, for example, encourage you to experiment in different fields before declaring a major. Imagine the possibilities. [Undergraduate Majors at University of Missouri, Columbia](#)

3. **Professional schools offer two or more years of training within a particular field or**

career.



[List of All Post-Sec Schools](#)
[Health Careers in Missouri](#)

[Missouri Dept. of Higher Education](#)
[Career Colleges & Schools](#)

[MO Post-Sec Schls/Programs](#)
[Health Careers – StL MO](#)



4. **Apprenticeship programs combine practical coursework and on-the-job training.**

[Missouri Apprenticeships](#) [StLMO Apprenticeships](#) You earn a paycheck while you learn a skill or trade & have the potential to earn college credit. [U.S. Registered Apprenticeships](#)

[Apprenticeship Training Resources](#)
[Search Program Sponsors by State](#)

[Careers in Construction Manual](#)

[Construction Training School](#)

St. Louis MO Apprenticeship Office – 314-539-2522

5. **General Educational Development (GED) Test:** An equivalency examination that leads to a certificate. Some employers and colleges accept the GED in place of a high school diploma.



[GED Transitions](#)

[GED Testing Centers Map](#)

GED/AEL Sites MO 800-521-7323		GED/AEL Sites StL MO	
Carondelet	481-6090	Ritenour	429-5322
Eureka/Rockwood	636-733-2161	SLCC Meramec	984-7805
Hillsboro	636-942-3000	St. Charles	636 922-8411
Hi-Tech Charities	389-5737	StL Public Schls	367-5000
Parkway	415-4943	University City	993-0462
Practice Tests		GED Testing Srv	

6. **Internship:** Paid or unpaid supervised work experience, often within a student's field of interest and sometimes

Internships.

offered with degree credits. [Internships for High School Students](#) FastWeb
[Missouri Entry Level Internship Jobs](#) [Student Jobs, Apprenticeships, Internships & more](#)

7. **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.):** The degree awarded to students after completing extensive post-graduate studies in a particular subject. [Graduate Schools & Graduate Degrees](#)

8. **Juris Doctor Degree (J.D.):** The degree offered by law schools to students after completing about three years of



coursework. [U.S. Law Schools by State](#)

[Top 10 Qualities of a Great Lawyer](#)

9. **U.S. military** provides training and money for education. [Financial Aid](#) (Military Aid) Options include enlistment, [Military Service Academies](#) and [Reserve Officer Training Corps](#) (ROTC) programs. Many colleges and universities offer ROTC programs for one or more branches of the military. In addition to regular coursework, ROTC cadets take classes on military science and participate in physical and leadership training outside the classroom. ROTC graduates can earn a B.A. or B.S., but must enter the military as an officer with a four-year active duty or eight-year inactive duty commitment after college.

10. **Entering the workforce immediately after high school—especially with internship and previous work experience—can mean getting a jump start on a career.**

[MO Division of Workforce Development – Job Seekers](#)

[Internships for High School Students](#)

[Missouri Career Center Locations](#) MO Career Centers can help you get a job! [MO Career Center Services](#)

[Workforce](#) [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#)

- [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)
- [Dept of Labor U.S. - Training](#)
- [Hottest Careers w/College](#)
- [Job & Labor Market Info](#)
- [Job Projections 2008-18](#)
- [Missouri Workforce Info](#) MERIC
- [Skills/Values Employers Seek](#)

[Elevate America](#) – Job Skills, Microsoft

[Entrepreneurs](#)

[Job Search Networking](#)

[Job Skills Checklist](#)

[MO Career Centers - Services & Links](#)

[MO Department of Labor](#)

[State Profiles](#) – Occupations/Growth/Salary

[Ticket to Work](#) Disabilities

[Top 50 Job Hunting Resources](#)

[Top 10 Social Sites for Finding a Job](#)

[Jobs & Training Programs, MO](#)

- [All Post-Sec Schools](#)
- [Better Family Life](#)
- [Career/Tech SSD SLPS STLCC](#)
- [Career Options Project](#)
- [Const Training Schl](#) [Laborers](#)
- [Health Careers, StL](#) & [Missouri](#)
- [HighTech Charities](#)
- [Human Development Corp](#)
- [Job Corps](#)
- [Mers-Goodwill](#)
- [MET Center](#)
- [Construction Prep Ctr](#)
- [StL Comm College Workforce Dev](#)
 - [Accelerated Job Training](#), STLCC
- [St. Patrick Center](#)
- [SLATE MO Career Center](#)
- [Urban League](#)
- [WIA Funding for Jobs](#)
- [YouthBuild & Operation Excel](#)

Most jobs available to high school graduates without prior work experience are in the [Food Prep & Serving](#) [Food - Manufacturing](#), [Retail Trade](#) & [Service](#) industries.

See the list of common careers after high school for possible job ideas and starting salaries.

[Search Wages & Salaries by Location](#)