



# NPC Career Quiz

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Below is a simplified interest assessment to help you learn more about career preferences based on your personality type. Created by John Holland, it is used to classify careers and college majors into six interest categories. This will help you match your preferences to college majors available at NPC. You are more likely to be satisfied with a career that fits your interests, skill, and values.

On a scale of 1 – 10 (1 being low) rate the level of interest you have in each of the activities below. Then add up your scores and write your totals at the bottom.

### Realistic

- Build something out of wood
- Repair broken cars
- Assemble electronic parts
- Create and maintain landscaping
- Operate machines to make products
- Put out forest fires

### Social

- Care for a sick person
- Assist a client or customer
- Do volunteer work
- Help people overcome challenges
- Teach or care for children
- Interview and advise clients

### Investigative

- Study and research new ideas
- Solve complex math problems
- Develop a new medicine
- Troubleshoot computers
- Conduct scientific experiments
- Invent something

### Enterprising

- Start your own business
- Plan weddings or events
- Negotiate business contracts
- Enforce rules or laws
- Persuade customers to buy a product
- Supervise and motivate others

### Artistic

- Dance, sing, or act in a play
- Draw or paint objects
- Write books or scripts
- Take or edit pictures and video
- Play a musical instrument
- Design a website

### Conventional

- Develop a spreadsheet to analyze data
- Follow an organized set of rules
- Calculate the wages of employees
- Balance an account or checkbook
- Track, organize, and proofread records
- Use computer programs regularly

## Totals:

Realistic \_\_\_\_\_ Investigative \_\_\_\_\_ Artistic \_\_\_\_\_ Social \_\_\_\_\_ Enterprising \_\_\_\_\_ Conventional \_\_\_\_\_

## What it Means...



**R**ealistic people are considered “the doers.” Occupations frequently involve work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions. They often deal with plants, animals, and real-world materials like wood, tools, and machinery. Many of the occupations require working outside, and do not involve a lot of paperwork or working closely with others.\*

**NPC Programs:** Mechatronics Engineering Technology, Construction Technology, Welding, Industrial Maintenance and Operations, Paramedicine (EMT), Fire Science, Law Enforcement, Automotive Technology



**I**nvestigative people are classified as “the thinkers.” Occupations frequently involve working with ideas, and require an extensive amount of thinking. These occupations can involve searching for facts and figuring out problems mentally.\*

**NPC Programs:** Associate of Science, Pharmacy Technician, Computer Information Systems – Network and PC support



**A**rtistic people are described as “the creators.” Occupations frequently involve working with forms, designs and patterns. They often require self-expression and the work can be done without following a clear set of rules.\*

**NPC Programs:** Associate of Arts, Photography Technician, Graphic Design, Web Design, Cosmetology



**S**ocial people are known as “the helpers.” Occupations frequently involve working with, communicating with, and teaching people. These occupations often involve helping or providing service to others.\*

**NPC Programs:** Associate of Arts in Elementary Education, Nursing, Medical Assistant, Nursing Assistant, Early Childhood Development, Education



**E**nterprising people are called “the persuaders.” Occupations frequently involve starting up and carrying out projects. These occupations can involve leading people and making many decisions. Sometimes they require risk taking and often deal with business.\*

**NPC Programs:** Associate of Business, Management and Leadership, Entrepreneurship, Retail Management



**C**onventional people are labeled as “the organizers.” Occupations frequently involve following set procedures and routines. These occupations can include working with data and details more than with ideas. Usually there is a clear line of authority to follow.\*

**NPC Programs:** Accounting, Computer Information Systems, Medical Transcription, Medical and Modern Office Technologies, Web Development

\*Definitions were taken from O\*net (<http://www.onetonline.org/find/descriptor/browse/Interests/>)