What is a Career Counselor?

A Career Counselor is a specialized type of [Counselor](https://www.sokanu.com/careers/counselor/).

Also known as: [Personal Career Development Counselor](https://www.sokanu.com/careers/career-counselor/aka/personal-career-development-counselor/), [Career Change Counselor](https://www.sokanu.com/careers/career-counselor/aka/career-change-counselor/), [Career Exploration Counselor](https://www.sokanu.com/careers/career-counselor/aka/career-exploration-counselor/), [Career Guide](https://www.sokanu.com/careers/career-counselor/aka/career-guide/), [Career Guidance Counselor](https://www.sokanu.com/careers/career-counselor/aka/career-guidance-counselor/).

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A career counselor is an individual trained to aid people with their career choice. Whether the person is new to the working world, or simply desires a change of profession, the career counselor will be able to guide them in the best possible direction. Beginning with interviews to determine their client's skills, underlying drive, and personality traits, the career counselor gains an understanding to better serve them in their search for the right career.

What does a Career Counselor do?

Career counselors are responsible for having knowledge of the skills needed in various fields, the average salary of each field, and the requirements of each field. After they have assessed a client they will then match them up with a field suitable for their skills and personality, creating the most profitable match possible in terms of job satisfaction and monetary earnings.

Career counselors will not, however, simply match up a client with a profession and send them on their way. They work with their clients, helping them to research the right job, as well as helping to locate resources for strengthening the skills needed for the job desired.

A good career counselor will often work late hours to get their job done, investing time in each client to ensure a thorough and satisfactory result.