

GOVERNMENT/CIVICS CAREERS

Using the ILP's Explore Careers Feature
Grades 6-8 & 9-12

Academic Expectations (Social Studies)

2.16 Students observe, analyze, and interpret human behaviors, social groupings, and institutions to better understand people and the relationships among individuals and among groups.

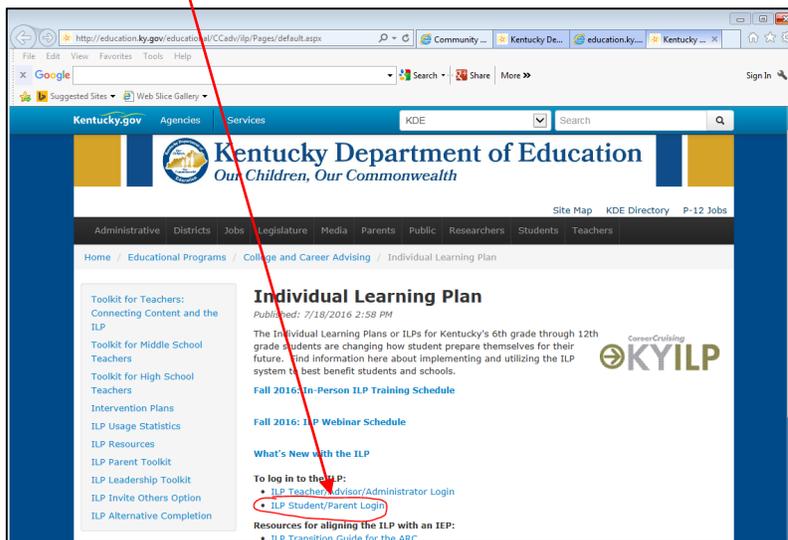
2.15 Students can accurately describe various forms of government and analyze issues that relate to the rights and responsibilities of citizens in a democracy.

Materials:

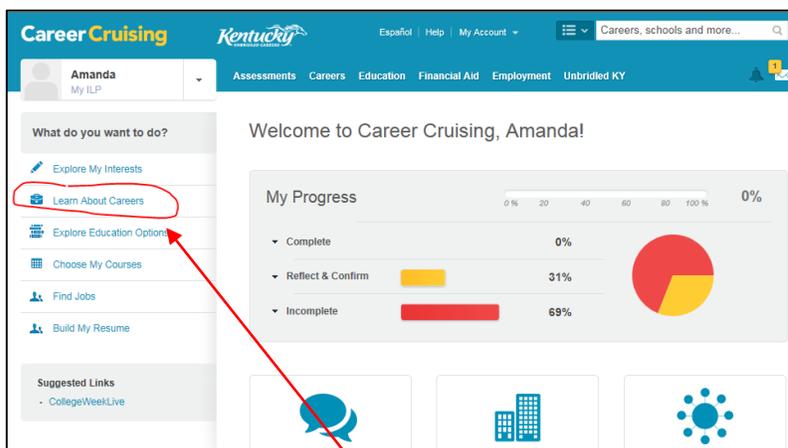
- Computers (1 to 1 ratio)
- **Government/Civics Careers** list (choose one)
- Copies of **Career Exploration** handout
- Copies of **Career Reflection** slip
- A list of student ILP passwords (get this from your school's ILP Administrator)

Instructions:

1. Take students to a computer lab with internet access and have students log in to their ILP account. They can log in through the KDE ILP page (go to KDE's site and in the search box type ILP).

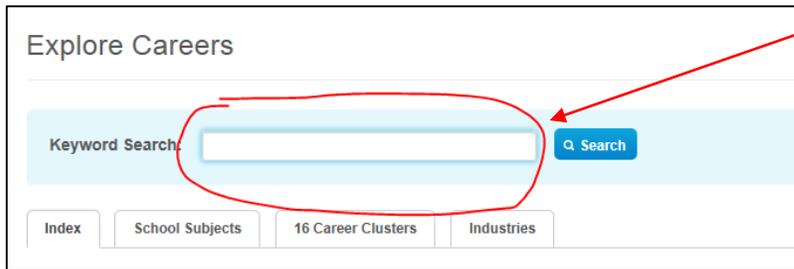


2. Students will log into their ILP. When they open their ILP it will look like this:

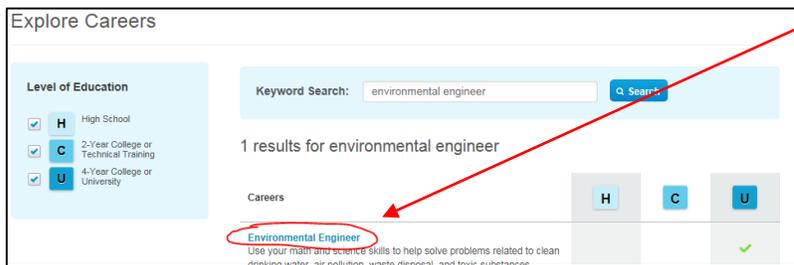


3. Have students click on **Learn About Careers**.

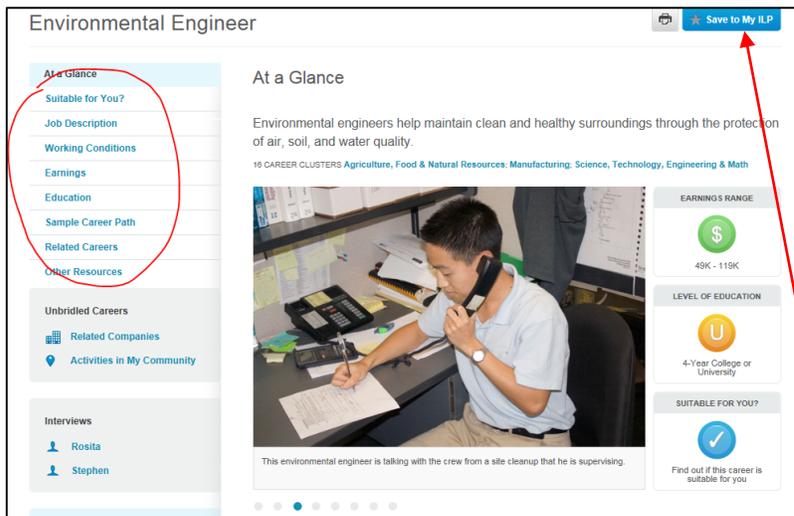
- Choose one or more of the lists, from the **Government/Civics Careers** page, that most closely aligns to the area you are studying (governance, national security, public management, etc.) and write the list on the board.
- Students will choose five of the careers from the list on the board.
- Students will research these five government/civics careers by typing one career at a time into the **Keyword Search** box and hitting search.



- When students click on “search,” the results of the search will appear. Click on the highlighted career name for more information.



- Students will use the menu of options on the left to find information about each career. As they research a career, students will fill out the information in their **Career Exploration** handout.



- After students record the information for each career, have them click **Save to My ILP** to keep this career information readily accessible on their ILP home screen.
- Students will research information on five careers from the list on the board.
- Once all five careers have been researched, have students reflect on which government/civics career was most interesting to them using the **Career Reflection** slip.

Government/Civics Careers List

(There are, of course, many more government/civics careers, but these are the careers that are represented in the ILP's Explore Careers section)

Governance

1. Activist
2. Lobbyist
3. Political Aide
4. Politician
5. Public Policy Analyst

National Security

1. Coast Guard
2. Combat Engineer
3. Enlisted Member of the Armed Forces
4. Federal Agent
5. Infantry
6. National Guard

Planning

1. Economic Development Officer
2. Economist
3. Planner
4. Public Policy Analyst
5. Statistician

Public Management &

Administration

1. Court Clerk
2. Court Reporter
3. Economic Development Officer
4. Mail Carrier
5. Management Consultant
6. Municipal Clerk
7. Operations Research Analyst
8. Postal Clerk
9. Public Policy Analyst

Regulation

1. Building Inspector
2. Driver's License Examiner
3. Environmental Health Inspector
4. Fire Investigator
5. Food Inspector
6. Forensic Accountant
7. Municipal Clerk
8. Parking Enforcement Officer
9. Parole Officer
10. Transportation Inspector

Revenue & Taxation

1. Accountant
2. Auditor
3. Economic Development Officer
4. Economist
5. Forensic Accountant
6. Public Policy Analyst
7. Tax Preparer

Emergency and Fire

Management Services

1. Building Inspector
2. Dispatcher
3. Fire Investigator
4. Firefighter
5. Forest Firefighter
6. Paramedic
7. Sprinkler System Installer

Law Enforcement Services

1. Bailiff
2. Coast Guard
3. Conservation Officer
4. Coroner
5. Crime Scene Investigator
6. Detective
7. Dispatcher
8. Explosives Specialist
9. Federal Agent
10. Forensic Scientist
11. Information Security Analyst
12. National Guard
13. Park Warden/Ranger
14. Parking Enforcement Officer
15. Police Officer

Legal Services

1. Civil Litigator
2. Corporate/Commercial Lawyer
3. Court Clerk
4. Court Reporter
5. Criminal Lawyer
6. Judge
7. Lawyer
8. Legal Secretary
9. Mediator
10. Paralegal

Security & Protective Services

1. Animal Services Worker
2. Computer Network Specialist
3. Crossing Guard
4. Gunsmith
5. Information Security Analyst
6. Lifeguard
7. Locksmith
8. Park Warden/Ranger
9. Private Investigator
10. Security Guard
11. Security Systems Technician
12. Transportation Inspector

Career Reflection

Name: _____

Date: _____

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1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

2. Think about your top choice. Choose 1 of the skills needed for that career. Skill: _____

3. Give an example of a time when you demonstrated or utilized this skill: _____

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Instructions: Use the Explore Careers section of your ILP to research five different careers from the list on the back of this sheet.

Career	Description of the Career	Skills Needed (pick three)	Earning Range	Level of Education <small>(check all that apply)</small>		Do I have the skills for this career?	Am I interested in this career?
				HS			
		1.		HS			
		2.		C- 2-yr.			
		3.		U- 4-yr.			
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		2.		C- 2-yr.			
		3.		U- 4-yr.			
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