

# CAREER EXPLORATION MAP



Explore your career interests and goals by completing the following map with information and considerations related to your professional pursuits. **RESEARCH and be as SPECIFIC as possible.** We know things may change as you progress through your career, but try to envision your goals as of now. You may list several different possibilities in each bubble.

**FOR BEST RESULTS** use Adobe Reader to complete the map. Do not fill the form out in a web browser, your information will not be saved.

## CAREER GOALS

What professional accomplishments do you aspire to achieve. Be specific. These could be projects, experiences, dreams, or professional achievements. For example do you want to work at a specific company, travel, publish a graphic novel, apply for [Fulbright](#), or start a side [business](#)? Feel free to list multiple goals, both immediate and long term.

## LOCATION / ENVIRONMENT

Where do you want to live? [What location\(s\) would support your career goals?](#) [Compare the cost of living](#) to your current location.

## PROFESSIONAL CONTACTS

Consider professionals whom already work in your desired industry or have roles that interest you. Make a list of those contacts whom you already know, and [research new connections](#) within your desired field. Consider faculty, internship supervisors, alumni, and connections you have made at MICA's [career fair](#) or [fine art reviews](#).

## INDUSTRIES, ORGANIZATIONS + JOB TITLES

Which industry or industries support your career goals. What organizations are a good fit for you and your work within these industries? [Research and list specific roles, departments, job titles](#) or opportunities within each organization.

.....  
**INDUSTRIES**

.....  
**ORGANIZATIONS**

.....  
**DEPARTMENT/ ROLE**

## FINANCIAL

Summarize your financial considerations. How much money do you need to support yourself post graduation? Do you have [student loans](#) or other debt? Have you explored [income based repayment](#) or [loan forgiveness](#) options? Consider creating a monthly budget using a [template](#) or [budgeting app](#). Be sure to include living expenses, food, transportation, leisure, supplies or equipment and any other expenditure you may have.