

Career Change Checklist

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- Self-Awareness
 - Understand what motivates you and use this to identify your dream job.
 - Set professional goals, short- and long-term.
 - Determine why you are looking to embark on a new career now.
 - Determine what satisfaction you seek that you haven't found in your current career.
 - Think how long you seriously considered making a change.
 - Explore your options to a complete career change.
 - Determine what you like and what you would like to change in your current career.
 - Think which of your skills are a good match for the career you would like to have.
 - Research the career you would like to have.
 - Check the future opportunities in your new career.
- Career Change
 - Understand how the job market functions.
 - Build a contact network that is both supportive and challenging.
 - Be persistent.
 - Be confident.
 - Have a clear objective based firmly on your strengths and supported by your experience.
 - Be financially secure and have enough money to make the transition.
 - Focus on what you want and how you achieve this.
 - Communicate your objective energetically, in writing and in person.
 - Show yourself at your highest level of effectiveness.