

Massasoit Community College Announces New Career Assessment Tool to Aide Students in Searching for a Career Path – FOCUS2

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Brockton, MA – The Advisement & Counseling Department is excited to promote FOCUS2, a self-paced, online career and educational planning tool that guides users through various assessments and allows them to match up their career results to majors at Massasoit. The main goal in getting FOCUS2 was to have an updated career assessment tool that students could access from anywhere (campus, home, phone, tablet, etc.). With a good quality career assessment tool, the academic counseling staff can better assist students decide on a major that best suits them, as well as research occupations by name or career cluster. “Advisors will use FOCUS2 with any student who is unsure about a major or is interested in more in depth career exploration. It is a wonderful tool”, says Nicole Precourt, Academic Career Counselor.

The assessment takes about 40 minutes to complete and then students can spend time researching different occupations that will provide them with the job outlook, salary information and even some on-the-job videos. According to FOCUS2's website, research has shown that students who get involved in career planning activities show increased retention, have improved academic performance, and tend to be more focused and motivated. The FOCUS2 system conforms to the standards and criteria established by the National Career Development Association and the U.S. Department of Labor.

FOCUS2 is available via the Advisement & Counseling website: http://www.massasoit.mass.edu/stud_serv/counsel_ctr/career_info.cfm via the Portal under “Advisement” or on the Admissions welcome page.

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