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America's Career InfoNet	<a href="http://www.careerinfonet.org/">http://www.careerinfonet.org/</a>	Provides a Career Resource Library with career exploration and job search tools, and a Skills Profiler which allows individuals to assess their skills. You can identify occupations that use your current skills and find gaps that need to be filled.
The Career Resource Library	<a href="http://www.careerinfonet.org/cr/library.aspx">http://www.careerinfonet.org/cr/library.aspx</a>	This tool links you to other Web sites and reading materials you can use to find answers. Career Exploration, Education & Training, Job Search, Business & Employment.
The Skills Profiler	<a href="http://www.acinet.org/acinet/skills/default.aspx">http://www.acinet.org/acinet/skills/default.aspx</a>	Use the Skills Profiler to create a list of your skills and match them to job types that need those skills. You can use this profile to identify occupations that use your current skills, find gaps you need to fill, or polish your resume. When your skills profile is complete, you can print it, or save it as a Microsoft Word, HTML or XML file, or as a Bookmark in your browser.
America's Service Locator	<a href="http://www.servicelocator.org/">http://www.servicelocator.org/</a>	Can help you find a One-Stop Career Center based on ZIP code, along with hours of operations, services offered, and driving instructions. The Service Locator also provides links to State job banks. The site also provides easy directions for the filing of an initial Unemployment Insurance claim. At <a href="http://www.servicelocator.org/UI_Filing_search.asp">http://www.servicelocator.org/UI_Filing_search.asp</a> , select the appropriate state and then move directly to the filing instructions.
Unemployment Benefits Finder	<a href="http://www.servicelocator.org/ui_filing_assistance.asp">http://www.servicelocator.org/ui_filing_assistance.asp</a>	<b>Unemployment Benefits</b> Many states require you to file for unemployment benefits on the Web. Some provide toll-free numbers or other ways to obtain assistance in filing. This site helps you locate what that state requires and links you to their site.
Career Voyages	<a href="http://www.careervoyages.gov/">http://www.careervoyages.gov/</a>	Provides information for young adults and transitioning workers who wish to explore career prospects. This site explains the educational preparation requirements for several careers, including public safety, marketing, transportation, construction, biotechnology, and advanced manufacturing. You can also find information on apprenticeship opportunities and community colleges. The "Career Compass" helps you find careers that match your interests and personality.
Toll-Free Help Line	1-877-US2-JOBS; TTY: 1-877-889-5627	Provides information about workforce, education and support services across the United States. The Customer Service representatives have specific data and contact information for state resources. The toll-free number is a complimentary companion to the physical One-Stop Career Centers and the web-based services.
Occupational Outlook Handbook (2008 - 2009 Edition)	<a href="http://www.bls.gov/OCO/">http://www.bls.gov/OCO/</a>	An on-line resource from the Bureau of Labor Statistics with insights on hundreds of jobs and their earning potential. The site has summaries of what tasks workers perform in different occupations and their working conditions, along with descriptions of the training and education needed to fill these jobs.

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	<p><a href="http://www.careeronestop.org/ReEmployment/default.aspx">http://www.careeronestop.org/ReEmployment/default.aspx</a></p>	<p>This portal allows you to research opportunities for transferring your skills between related occupations. Users may enter an occupational term such as "fabrication" or "team assembler" in the search box to get information about occupation information, occupation licenses, and certifications. If you have specific knowledge of certain tools and technologies, O*NET Online can find other occupations which rely on that equipment. For example, if you are skilled using a "paint sprayer" or "hydraulic press frame," you can find other jobs which require proficiency with those tools.</p>
<p><b>Federal Student Aid Programs</b></p>	<p><a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/grants.jsp?tab=funding">https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/grants.jsp?tab=funding</a></p>	<p>Federal Student Aid has a variety of programs to help you pay for your education after high school. Click on <b>Grants, campus-based aid, Stafford Loans, PLUS Loans</b> (parent loans) and <b>PLUS Loans for graduate and professional degree students</b> for more information about these programs.</p>
<p><b>Campus-Based Aid</b></p>	<p><a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/campusaid.jsp?tab=funding">https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/campusaid.jsp?tab=funding</a></p>	<p>The Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), Federal Work Study (FWS), and Federal Perkins Loan programs are called campus-based programs because they're administered directly by the financial aid office at each participating school. Not all schools participate in all three programs. Check with your school's financial aid office to find out which programs they participate in.</p>
<p><b>Stafford Loans (FFELs and Direct Loans)</b></p>	<p><a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/studentloans.jsp?tab=funding">https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/studentloans.jsp?tab=funding</a></p>	<p>In addition to <u>Perkins Loans</u>, the U.S. Department of Education administers the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program and the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program. Both the FFEL and Direct Loan programs consist of what are generally known as Stafford Loans (for students) and PLUS Loans for parents and graduate and professional degree students.</p>
<p><b>Grants</b></p>	<p><a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/grants.jsp?tab=funding">https://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/grants.jsp?tab=funding</a></p>	<p>Grants, unlike loans, do not have to be repaid. Click the links below to learn more about grant programs available for eligible students pursuing a postsecondary education.</p>
<p><b>FAFSA On The Web</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/">http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/</a> <a href="http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov/">http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov/</a></p>	<p>simplified the process of filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). 4Caster provides info about the financial aid process and get an early estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid</p>
<p><b>Understanding Federal Student Aid</b></p>	<p><a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/index.html">https://studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/index.html</a></p>	<p>Our booklet, Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid will answer any questions you might still have. Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid is a comprehensive source of information about the Department's federal student aid programs and includes an overview of federal student aid, as well as more detailed information on the application process and student loans, for example. Whatever your questions, you'll find the aid information you need in this publication.</p>

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Adult Education Links	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/pi/AdultEd/weblinks/index.html">http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/pi/AdultEd/weblinks/index.html</a>	<p>In addition to education and occupation-specific training and education, the U.S. Department of Education promotes programs that help American adults get the basic skills they need to be productive workers, family members, and citizens through a variety of programs that emphasize basic skills such as reading, writing, math, English language competency, and problem-solving.</p>
Income Based Repayment Plan	<a href="http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/IBRPlan.jsp">http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/IBRPlan.jsp</a>	<p>The information below describes the new Income Based Repayment (IBR) Plan for federal student loans. It includes the IBR eligibility requirements, the benefits of IBR, an IBR payment calculator, and some examples of how a borrower's monthly student loan payment amount can be reduced under IBR. For a PDF version of this information</p>
Federal Aid First	<a href="http://federalstudentaid.ed.gov/federalaidfirst/index.html">http://federalstudentaid.ed.gov/federalaidfirst/index.html</a>	<p>Thinking about attending college? Will you need a loan? If so, think Federal Aid First! Federal loans usually offer borrowers lower interest rates and have more flexible repayment options than loans from banks or other private sources. This site explains the differences between federal and private education loans, the various kinds of federal loans offered and the dollar amounts available. Included are details on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)—your starting point for obtaining financial assistance for college. Think Federal Aid First!</p>
Financial Literacy	<a href="http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/financialliteracy.jsp">http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/financialliteracy.jsp</a>	<p>Financial literacy is the education on the management of personal finances and is an essential part of planning and paying for postsecondary education. You'll find links to Web sites that provide information on money management, handling credit and debt, and information on consumer protection.</p>
Opportunity. Gov	<a href="http://federalstudentaid.ed.gov/opportunity/index.html">http://federalstudentaid.ed.gov/opportunity/index.html</a>  <a href="http://www.Opportunity.gov">www.Opportunity.gov</a>	<p><b>New Educational Opportunities for Unemployed Workers</b></p>