

*Print Resources for Job Seekers and Career Changers  
at the Silas Bronson Library*

The aim of this document is to introduce you to the wide variety of print resources available at the Silas Bronson Library that can help with your job or career-related research. Electronic resources are also extremely helpful, but rather than list them here, we will tell you how to get to them: begin at the Library home page, <http://www.bronsonlibrary.org>. On the left navigation bar, position the mouse over “Internet Searching” and, from the pop-up menu, click “Research.” Click “Employment.”

Researching an Industry

Handbook of U.S. Labor Statistics: employment, earnings, prices, productivity  
R 331.11 han 2008

Plunkett’s – industry trends; associations; where to look for jobs; detailed information about the major companies, including financial data and contact people.

- Health Care Industry Almanac (2007) R338.7 PLUHE

Recording Industry Sourcebook  
R 338.4 REC 2005

This Business of Music (10<sup>th</sup> ed.)  
R 338.4778 KRA 2007

Researching Occupations

Enhanced Occupational Outlook Handbook (7<sup>th</sup> ed.)  
R 331 ENH 2009

Occupational Outlook Handbook  
R 331 UniL 2008-2009

Young Person’s Occupational  
Outlook Handbook R 650 You (2007)

Connecticut Career Paths 2007-2009  
R 331.1 Con

The O’NET Dictionary of Occupational Titles  
R 331 One 2007

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Encyclopedia of Careers and Vocational Guidance (14<sup>th</sup> ed.)  
R 331.7 Enc 2008

Best Jobs for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.)  
R 331.702 Far Be 2004

Rather than just rating jobs according to pay, the editors of this source organize their lists creatively: for example, best jobs for women, best jobs for those with an associate's degree.

Best Entry-Level Jobs: Paying your dues without losing your mind  
R 650.14 Lie (2007)

Geared to recent college graduates, this source could be just the thing to help you land your first job after college. It provides an in-depth look at a wide variety of corporations and nonprofit agencies all over the United States.

Start Now!: a look at Connecticut's Entry-level Occupations  
D/L113ri/stno (2008)

High school graduates, take heart! There are good jobs out there for you according to the Connecticut Department of Labor.

This is an electronic document, available through our library's online catalog. A hard copy is also in the Reference collection.

Connecticut Careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) published by the Connecticut Department of Labor (2008).

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Move Your Life in a New Direction

L 37.2:L 62/2 (2003)

Learn how Job Corps New England Region can help you if you are between the ages of 16 and 24 and have limited financial resources.

The Ex-Offender's Job Hunting Guide

R 650.14 Kra (2005)

This source takes you from the early stages of evaluating your strengths all the way through the mechanics of an effective job search.

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**How'd You Score That Gig?**

By Alexandra Levit 640.14 lev 2008

Can you see yourself in that job? This book consists of interviews the author conducted with people about their jobs and how they got started in their respective fields. Don't overlook the off-beat when thinking of possible careers. Here, you can read about people who sound happy as pet-sitters, outdoor adventure guides, boutique owners, and inventors. Similar title: *Cool Careers for Dummies*.

**The Career Chronicles: an insider's guide to what jobs are really like**

By Michael Gregory 331.702 gre (2008)

The focus of this book is to get past stereotypes. The author interviewed people in different fields to find out what the average day is like for each and what they like best (or least) about their work.

You will also find many books throughout the nonfiction collection that analyze various types of careers, for example: careers for those who like to work with animals, careers in the health field. Search for these in the card catalog. We have books about doing a job search, writing a resume or cover letter, and interviewing in the 650's.