# NSCC 1010 Career Goals and Reflection Assignment

This assignment consists of two parts.  Both parts should be submitted to the “Career Interests and Reflection” assignment dropbox.

## Part 1: Kuder Career Interests Assessment

* Go to Kuder® Journey at <http://journey.kuder.com>​
* Select ‘New Users’ from the login area to begin the registration process.
* Select ‘Student’ and choose your grade level from the drop down menu. Or, select ‘Adult’ and choose your user type from the drop down menu.
* Click ‘Continue’ to create your account.
* During the process you will need to create a unique user name and password.
* You will also be asked to enter your ‘Activation Code’ that was provided by your school or agency. Our activation code is ***XXXXXXXXXXXXX***
* Be sure to check the box next to "I have read and agree to the terms and conditions of use" after reading this information.
* Click ‘Register’ to complete the process.
* You only need to do and submit the results of the Kuder Career Interests Assessment. It should take about 9 minutes.
* You are welcome to do the other assessments. The results of the Kuder Career Interests Assessment will provide you career pathway ideas given your interests. However, you may want to also know career pathway ideas given your skills and values. Taking the assessments below can show you ways the results overlap.
	+ Kuder Skills Confidence Assessment
	+ Kuder Work Values Assessment
* Submit the results that show your top five career pathways based on the Kuder Career Interests Assessment to the assignment dropbox. You may submit the results by submitting a screen shot, a photograph, a pdf, or a word document that includes the results.
* The results are meant to provide you with ideas. The results are not meant to determine your career. That is up to you.

## Part 2: Reflection

For this reflection, you will write a one paragraph response for ***each*** of the following questions, for a total of three paragraphs.  Each paragraph should be approximately 100 words in length, with the total word count for all three paragraphs between 300-450 words.

1. What are your career goals and how will those goals affect your degree choice at Nashville State?
2. What additional skills and resources do you think you will need to successfully complete your degree at Nashville State?
3. How will your experiences at Nashville State help you grow as a person?

**Part 2 Tips**

Be sure to start each paragraph with a strong topic sentence based off the question.  For example, for paragraph 1, my topic sentence could look something like this:

I want to be a nurse, and so I am currently a health sciences major at Nashville State.

Then, be sure to give specific examples and analyze those examples to support your points.  For example, with the above topic sentence, I could write:

I want to be a nurse because helping people is my primary goal. However, my Kuder Career Interests results suggested career pathways in science and computer technology. I have always been interested in science and computers, but I would rather my job involve helping people feel better. I think my interest in science and computers will help me succeed in the classes I need to take as a health sciences major. There are important science and math pre-requisites for nursing school. The health sciences degree will allow me to take the pre-requisites, and then I can apply to nursing school.

## Career Goals and Reflection Rubric

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| **Category** | **20 Points** | **15 Points** | **10 Points** | **5 Point** | **0 Points** |
| **Submission of Kuder Career Interests Assessment Results** | Kuder Results Submitted | N/A | N/A | N/A | No Kuder Results Submitted |
| **Reflection Answer to Question 1: What are your career goals and how will those goals affect your degree choice at Nashville State?** | Answer is approximately 100 words or more, and does answer question clearly and completely | Answer is less than 100 words, but writing is clear and lacks minimal detail to be considered complete | Answer is approximately 100 words or more, but does not answer question clearly or completely | Answer is significantly less than 100 words, and does not answer question clearly or completely | No answer submitted to this question |
| **Reflection Answer to Question 2: What additional skills and resources do you think you will need to successfully complete your degree at Nashville State?** | Answer is approximately 100 words or more, and does answer question clearly and completely | Answer is less than 100 words, but writing is clear and lacks minimal detail to be considered complete | Answer is approximately 100 words or more, but does not answer question clearly or completely | Answer is significantly less than 100 words, and does not answer question clearly or completely | No answer submitted to this question |
| **Reflection Answer to Question 3: How will your experiences at Nashville State help you grow as a person?** | Answer is approximately 100 words or more, and does answer question clearly and completely | Answer is less than 100 words, but writing is clear and lacks minimal detail to be considered complete | Answer is approximately 100 words or more, but does not answer question clearly or completely | Answer is significantly less than 100 words, and does not answer question clearly or completely | No answer submitted to this question |
| **Mechanics**  | 2 or fewer spelling, grammar or punctuation errors | 3-5 spelling, grammar or punctuation errors | 6-10 spelling, grammar or punctuation errors | 11-20 spelling, grammar or punctuation errors | More than 20 spelling, grammar or punctuation errors or no writing to evaluate |