

Richland County Public Library

College Planning Resources

From www.myrcpl.com, click:
Research & Learning → Research tools → Careers, Education, & Jobs

Online Resources Available with RCPL Library Card:

Career Cruising: Offers career assessment tools, career profiles, college profiles, financial aid information, and more

College Blue Book: Provides a guide to thousands of 2- and 4-year schools in the US and Canada

Ferguson's Career Guidance Center: See this resource for college planning and financial aid information, as well as job and industry profiles

Testing and Education Reference Center: Offers a Family College Planning Center with checklists, helpful articles for parents and students, college preparation, financial aid information, and more

See <http://www.myrcpl.com/research-tools/162> for more online resources.

Websites Freely Available on the Internet:

<http://www.collegeboard.com> - Provided by The College Board, this site separates information for students and parents for ease of use. Offers e-mail newsletters for parents

<http://www.finaid.org> - Financial aid resources. Site published by Monster.com

<http://stats.bls.gov/oco/home.htm> - U.S. Department of Labor website with detailed information about thousands of careers

<http://www.myrcpl.com/career/home> - RCPL Virtual Career Resources page. Research occupations, create professional resumes, learn interviewing skills and search current job listings in your library's online employment center.

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Books in our library:

These are examples of books available to check out from the library.

378.3 Bes - *Best Resources for College Financial Aid*, by Resource Pathways, Inc

378.3 Bet - *The Insider's Guide to Paying for College*, by Don M. Betterton

378.3 Big - *Big Book of Opportunities for Women: the directory of women's organizations*, by Elizabeth Olson

378.3 Big - *Big Book of Minority Opportunities: the directory of special programs for minority group members*, by Garrett Park Press

378.3 Bra - *Dollars and Sense for College Students: or how not to run out of money by midterms*, by Ellen Braitman

378.3 Bru - *Cash for College: an ABC guide for high school students and parents*, by Doris Bruce-Young

378.3 Cas - *Dan Cassidy's Worldwide College Scholarship Directory*, by Daniel J. Cassidy

Come to the library and browse the call number 378.3 to find many more books about financial aid for college!

Questions?

Please call your Business, Science, and Technology librarians at 929-3401.

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Getting a Library Card

Library cards are free to all residents and nonresident property owners in Richland County. Out-of-county residents can obtain a library card for an annual fee. A card can be obtained at any RCPL location upon verification of current name and residential address. The library card will be mailed within two weeks. First time checkout is limited to two items.

Using Computers at RCPL

Library card holders may use RCPL computers in 1-hour blocks, for a maximum of 3 hours a day. 20-minute Express computers are available for users without library cards. Some computers are available in the Job Center for any user working on career-related activities (e.g. typing and mouse tutorials, job searches, and resume-writing).

Need computer skills?

- **Learning to Type and/or Use a Mouse:**
Visit us on the 3rd floor of the Main Library to use our programs to learn to type or to improve your mousing skills
- **Setting up an E-mail Account:**
Visit us on the 3rd floor of the Main Library, and we can help you set up your own free e-mail account.
- **Computer Classes**
RCPL offers computer classes such as Introduction to Computers, E-mail Basics, Internet Basics, and Introduction to Microsoft Word. These classes are FREE; all you need to do is register! Call 929-3457 for the schedule and to register.

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