

What's New in CIS for Fall 2014?

ASSESSMENT CHANGES

Updated Combined Report of Assessments: The updated report now includes the Career Cluster Inventory results and displays occupations in the user's three highest-rated clusters. Users can now select from two report options: Default, which automatically selects the most recent version of every assessment the user has taken, and Advanced, which allows the user to select which assessment results to include in the report. Features of the updated report include:

- ✚ Ability to view results by Occupation Cluster or by Occupation Count
- ✚ Ability to navigate to occupation descriptions by simply clicking on an occupation title
- ✚ Ability to save occupations on the report to Favorites by selecting the checkbox to the left of the occupation title
- ✚ A gold star appears next to occupations already saved to the user's Favorites
- ✚ Enhanced introductory instructional text

Combined Report

The table below includes all occupation titles in the saved results you selected. [Show More](#)

Save Checked **List Ordered by Count**

Occupations on 6 lists:		IDEAS	Occ Sort	IP	WIL	SKILLS	CCI
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	★ Computer Engineers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	★ Computer Programmers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<input type="checkbox"/>	Computer Systems Analysts	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Occupations on 5 lists:		IDEAS	Occ Sort	IP	WIL	SKILLS	CCI
<input type="checkbox"/>	Database Administrators	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electrical and Electronics Engineers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Informal Assessments: A Learning Styles Survey and an Employability Skills Survey with associated lesson plans are now available in the CIS Curriculum. Link directly to these within Tools for Counselors & Teachers, Classroom Activities, Informal Assessment Materials or use Search to find the lesson plans.

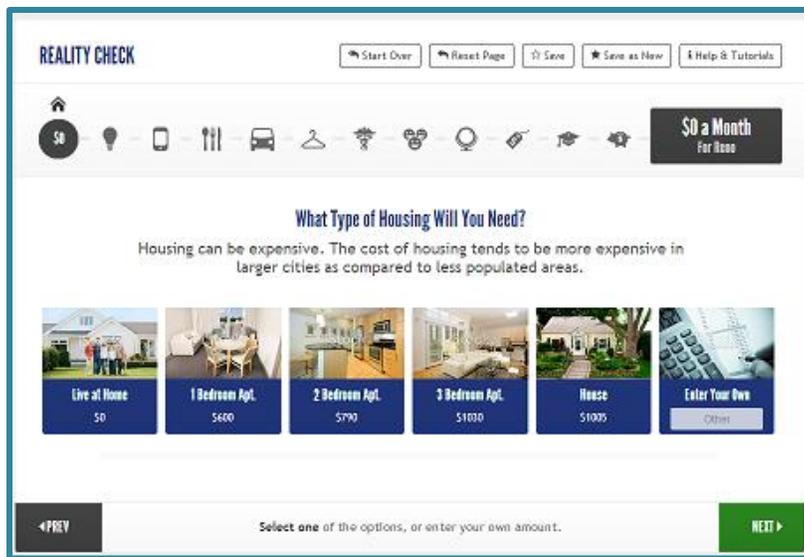
The screenshot shows a navigation menu on the left with links for News, Quick Starts, Tutorials, Classroom Activities, Guides & Instructional Tools, and More Resources. The main content area is titled 'Tools for Counselors & Teachers' and features a 'Classroom Activities' section with a list of links: Learning Activities, Informal Assessment Materials (circled in red), and Career Activities. Below the links, there is instructional text about downloading Adobe Reader and Flash media files.

More Assessment Changes: New uniform look to facilitate navigation in the Career Cluster Inventory, Interest Profiler, and IDEAS.

About Assessments: This new module teaches users about assessments, how to

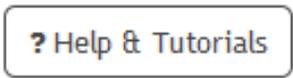
use assessments and interpret assessment results, and provides cautions in the use and interpretation of assessments.

Reality Check: The interface is completely updated to facilitate usage and comprehension. Users can visit every expense category or use the top navigation bar to jump to different expenses. In addition, there is a new expense category for data and phone plans.



HELP & TUTORIALS BUTTONS

Help & Tutorials buttons have been added throughout CIS and Site Administration Tools to help users and staff get the help they need when and where they need it. You can find this button at the top of most pages. Under the button are links to Quick Starts and Tutorials. The complete set of Quick Starts and Tutorials is still available from the Tools for Users and Tools for Counselors and Teachers pages.



PERSONAL LEARNING PLAN

A new report, the Personal Learning Plan, encourages students' career and life planning activity in CIS and provides a clear and concise report of those efforts. This summary can help to facilitate academic and life decisions when used during student conferences. The report helps students, educators and family members see more clearly the student's goals and needs. Users and staff can print a blank report form to complete on paper. The summary report is designed for annual updating and captures a snapshot of the student's present goals. Most states and school districts require students to have some sort of personal learning plan. Report information is pulled from the student's:

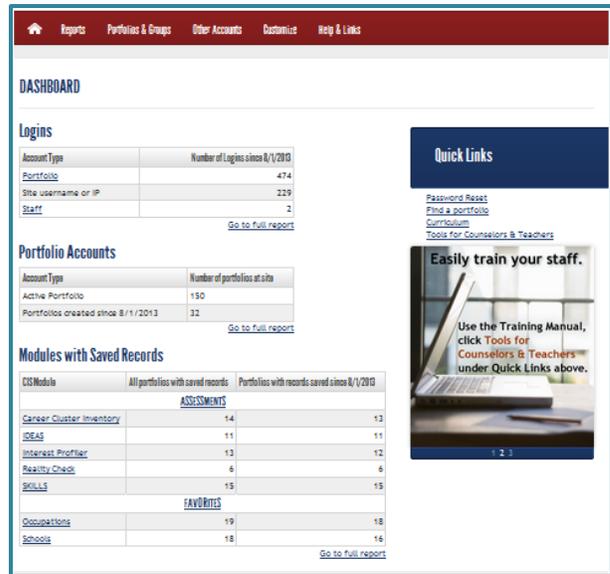
- ✚ Personal Information
- ✚ Favorites
- ✚ Career Plan Reflections
- ✚ Course Plan
- ✚ Résumé Creator

The screenshot shows a 'Personal Learning Plan' form for a student named Caryn. The form includes fields for Last Name (Shoas), First Name (Caryn), Middle Name, School Name (CIS Denver Site), Student ID, and Graduation Year (1985). It has sections for 'My Career Goals' (with the goal 'I want to be an entomologist'), 'My Educational Plans' (with a table of options like Bachelor's degree, Associate degree, Certificate, and Apprenticeship), and 'Self-knowledge and Career Assessments (Most recent results)' (with a table of assessment results).

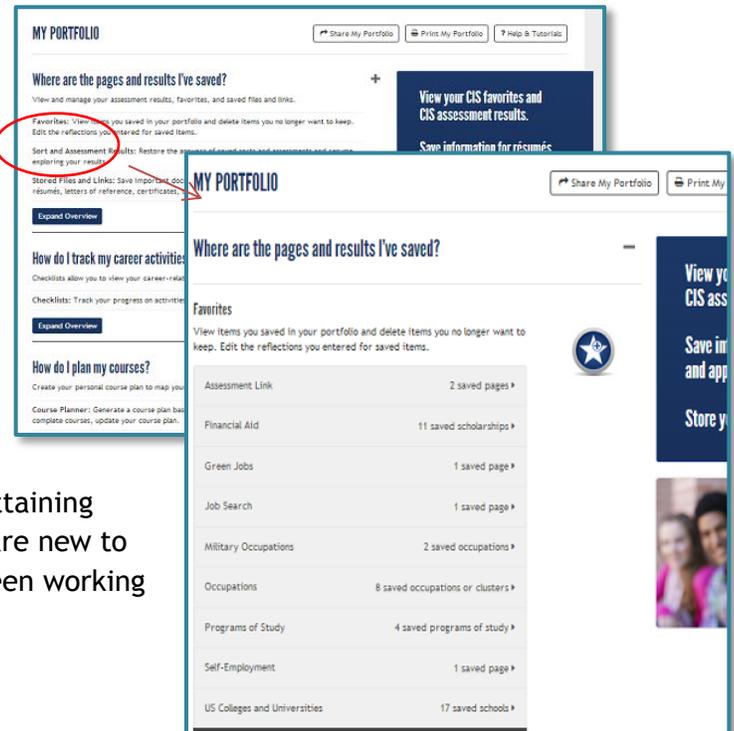
Assessment	Date Saved	What I Learned
Career Cluster Inventory	06/30/2014	Wow! So many great clusters!
IDEAS	09/06/2005	
Interest Profiler	06/30/2014	My favorite cluster is Math.
SKILLS	06/30/2014	I think my best SKILLS are organizing and investigating.
Work Importance Locator	06/11/2014	

INTERFACE CHANGES

Site Administration Tools: The CIS Site Administration Tools have been redesigned. The interface now uses mega menu navigation, which parallels the CIS interface, for ease-of-use and navigation. A dashboard has been added for quick access to: key reports, password resetting, finding a portfolio, curriculum, and tutorials.



Portfolio: The new My Portfolio interface allows users to see, print or share all portfolio items. Users can expand categories of interest in order to see all items, completion status, and recommended activity.



CONTENT CHANGES

Job Success: Job Success has been updated and translated into Spanish this year adding important information about attaining success on the job. Written for those who are new to the workforce as well as those who have been working for many years, Job Success highlights:

- ✚ Good work habits
- ✚ The importance of teamwork
- ✚ How to overcome barriers in the workplace
- ✚ Resolving problems in the workplace
- ✚ Keeping your career on track

Occupations:

- ✚ Added a new page - At a Glance - which is now the landing page for all occupations (except emerging occupations). This page provides users a snap shot of the occupation (e.g. statewide wage and outlook data, preparation details, and working conditions). Users can easily navigate to the full Wage, Employment and Outlook, Preparation, or Working Conditions topics for more complete information.
- ✚ CIS has 579 occupations as of fall 2014. 549 are standard occupations based on O*NET data and 30 are emerging occupations.
- ✚ The following emerging occupations are now full occupations: Climate Change Analysts, Exercise Physiologists, Sustainability Specialists, and Wind Turbine Technicians.
- ✚ The following occupations are new: Community Health Workers and Credit Counselors.
- ✚ The Wages topic includes a graphic representation of the wage data in addition to the numeric table.
- ✚ The Interests and Values topic now breaks Interests and Values into two separate lists.

Location	Employment	10 Year Growth	Annual Openings
United States	66,500 Medium	3.9% Slow	2,030 Few

Choosing Occupations: The landing page for Choosing Occupations now includes a list of the 16 national career clusters. You can click on these cluster titles to navigate directly to the Overview for any occupation cluster.

Junior Occupations: 201 occupations have been added to the junior version of CIS for a total of 579 junior occupations. For each occupation in the high school version of CIS there is now a junior counterpart.

Updated Links: The following related links were reviewed and updated:

- ✚ Programs of Study to Programs of Study
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