

University vs. Job, What's Better for My Child?



Career Magnifier

Learn about the advantages of going to college and getting a job!

College

1. You can develop expertise related to your major.

You can learn more about the subject you want to know from a major professor. If you graduate after studying hard in your major, it may be advantageous when applying for the field you want to get a job in.

2. You can build up various experiences!

There are things that you can experience as a college student. For example, you can live abroad as an exchange student, or experience working in a foreign company for field training, etc. and develop with various backgrounds.

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Job

1. Systems and atmosphere are changing so that it is more advantageous for high school graduates to find a job!

Jobs for high school graduates are increasing due to the "high school graduate recruitment target system by public institutions" introduced in 2019. In addition, specialized and practical technology fields such as the pharmaceutical industry are actively recruiting high school graduates.

2. You can quickly settle and build your career!

If you go to college, you need to pay a lot of tuition. However, if you get a job, you can earn and save money. In addition, if you enter the working society early, you will have more to write on your resume for your age, and your chances of getting a job based on the job experience may increase.



One more step to career

Killing two birds with one stone, "Get a job first, and then learn later."

Students who found a job after graduating from a meister or a specialized high school may feel limited in getting promoted due to the difference in academic background or may have a desire to learn more about their major. When this happens, you may enter college through various post-learning support policies. 'Get a job first, and then learn later' is a way for people to apply for a college after working for three years through "special admission for workers." Kyung Hee University, Chung-Ang University, Hanyang University, Dongguk University, Soongsil University, and many other universities have special admission for workers.

After graduating from a commercial high school, Mr. Lim ○○ got a job at the Korean Electric Power Corporation. After that, he got into the Department of Industrial Convergence at Hanyang University through special admission for workers. He learned about the "special admission for workers" when he was in his third year of middle school and prepared for it step by step. The extraordinary admission for workers is a comprehensive student record screening that looks at the entire student record, such as club activities, awards, volunteer works, etc., and academic scores. He hints that active school life is essential to be accepted into university and company. If your child is thinking about "getting a job first and studying later," talk about what to prepare by looking at the previous cases.



Source: Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education Admission to Specialized Schools and Employment > Specialized Schools Information
> Success cases of getting a job first and studying later > Cases in 2021



Career Video

How do I choose between going to college and getting a job?

A student struggling between going to college and getting a job talks about his concerns with a teacher who got a job first and went to college later.

Let's think about how our children can achieve their goals by resolving problems.

Source: YouTube (www.youtube.com) > Ministry of Education TV
> To go to college or to get a job, that is the question! [Ministry of Education X Ask Us Anything Fortune Teller]



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Make Roadmaps between College and Job!

The future may seem far for children standing at the crossroads between college and getting a job. By making a career roadmap, the children will be able to imagine a more concrete future. Make career roadmaps of the future self for going to college and getting a job, and talk about the future with your child.

Career TIP

Let's learn about the "Central Employment Agency for Vocational School Students" to help you get a job!

The Central Employment Agency for Vocational School Students is an employment support center for high school graduates operated by the government. Let's make a career plan using the Central Employment Agency for Vocational School Students. You can find various employment information such as high school graduate job openings, on-the-job training, employment sites, and application for subsidies.

Source: **Central Employment Agency for Vocational School Students, Ministry of Education**
(portal.kosaf.go.kr/CO/jcAction.do#none)



Make roadmaps for going to college and getting a job

Let's find a good path for your child by making roadmaps for college and career and comparing them.

Use the reference websites below and complete career roadmaps with your child.

Child's dream job

ex) Barista

Roadmap for going to college

	Age 17~19	Age 20~25	Age 26~30	Age 31~40	Age 41~50	Age 51~60
Goal for the time	ex) Getting into 00 University	ex) Graduating from university	ex) Getting a job at a franchise cafe	ex) Getting into the menu development team at a franchise cafe	ex) Opening my own cafe	
Studies	ex) Getting better grades in English and mathematics	ex) Foreign language (TOEIC 900 or higher)				
Experience/qualification		ex) Part-time experience at a cafe, getting a certificate for level 2 barista				
Future image						

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Goal for the time	ex) Getting a job at a franchise cafe	ex) Building experiences at a franchise cafe	ex) Opening my own cafe			
Studies	ex) Foreign language					
Experience/qualification	ex) Certificate for level 1-2 barista		ex) Going to college through special admission for workers			
Future image						

Reference websites for the roadmaps

Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education
Admission to Specialized Schools and
Employment
> Employment Support Center > HiJob
employment information



Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education
Admission to Specialized Schools and
Employment
> Information on specialized high schools
> Success cases of getting a job first and
studying later



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