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**Exercise 3.2 | Career Research**

**Now that you have completed your assessments, what is the career you have chosen at this time OR the one career that really interests you if you are still undecided? For that career, research and answer the following questions**. **Be specific in your answers.**

Use the information on [Career Coach](https://cpcc.lightcastcc.com/?radius=&region=50%20Mile%20Radius), the [**Occupational Outlook Handbook**](https://www.bls.gov/ooh/) and the [**O\*NET**](https://www.onetonline.org/)  websites.

1. **What is the career title? Provide a brief description for this career.**

The career title is Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the daily overall operation of the company.

1. **What skills are needed for this career? List a minimum of 5 skills you will need.**

The skills needed for the Chief Executive Officer are communication, leadership, strategic thinking, adaptability, and business acumen.

1. What are the global or cultural implications for your career? What skills will you need or how might you interact daily with your community and people from other backgrounds? **Give a specific example of how you would interact with/impact others from different cultural, religious, or ethnic backgrounds.**

The Chief Executive Officer global or cultural implication are responsible for setting overall vision, values, and culture. I will learn a person ethnic background where I wouldn’t do something to offend them.

1. **What are the minimum education and training requirements you need for your career?** For example, what degree, certificate or credentials do you need? Do you need an Associates, Bachelors or Master’s degree? Do you need any other certifications?
   * For example, accountants take an exam to become a CPA (Certified Public Accountant) after their degree. Nurses must take an exam after they earn their degree to gain a state license to practice as a nurse.

The minimum education for a Chief Executive Officer is a bachelor's degree.

1. **How many years will the education/degree requirements take? Are you willing to commit?**

The education/degree requirements ar**e** 4 to 5 years. Yes, I am willing to take 4 to 5 years to get my degree.

1. **What is the salary range for your career, including the approximate starting salary for your career? List the source for your information.**

The salary range starts at $73,663.00 and is as high as $492,640.00. I got these numbers from career coach.

1. Complete the [**Reality Check exercise**](https://nccareers.org/find-career/reality-check) based on your future desired lifestyle.
   * **Post a screenshot below of your complete results including monthly expenses. We will also revisit these results in another assignment so save your screen shot of this information.**
   * **List both the annual salary (income) for your chosen career field and the “Minimum Household Income per year” that you received from the reality check exercise.**
   * **Does the salary support or not support your future desired lifestyle? Explain why or why not.**

The annual salary income per year is $200,000 and the reality check exercise with the minimum household income per year was $750.00. The salary support my future lifestyle desired because I make around that income now.

1. **What is the job outlook for your career (whether there will be a need for jobs in this field in the future)? Please give a specific growth percentage and your source.**

The job outlook is promising with 75 job openings a year in this area. The projected data show for 2024 the are 713 job until 2033 where they projected 809 jobs are expected to be available, which is roughly a 88% growth rate. I got these numbers from a career coach.

1. What are the opportunities for growth and advancement? How can you move up or advance in this career after you start? **Give at least ONE specific example of how you can grow in your career.**

In my career of owning my company I see growth as opening different branches nationwide and globally.

1. What other research do you need to do that would help you decide or help you validate your career decision? **Describe your next steps. Also list at least one other source to pursue for more information related to this field.** This may include names of people working in this field, websites or, professional organizations related to the field.
   * For example, do you plan to volunteer, get an internship, join a professional association, or take a class in your field?

I plan to join the local farm association to get more educated in this business field.