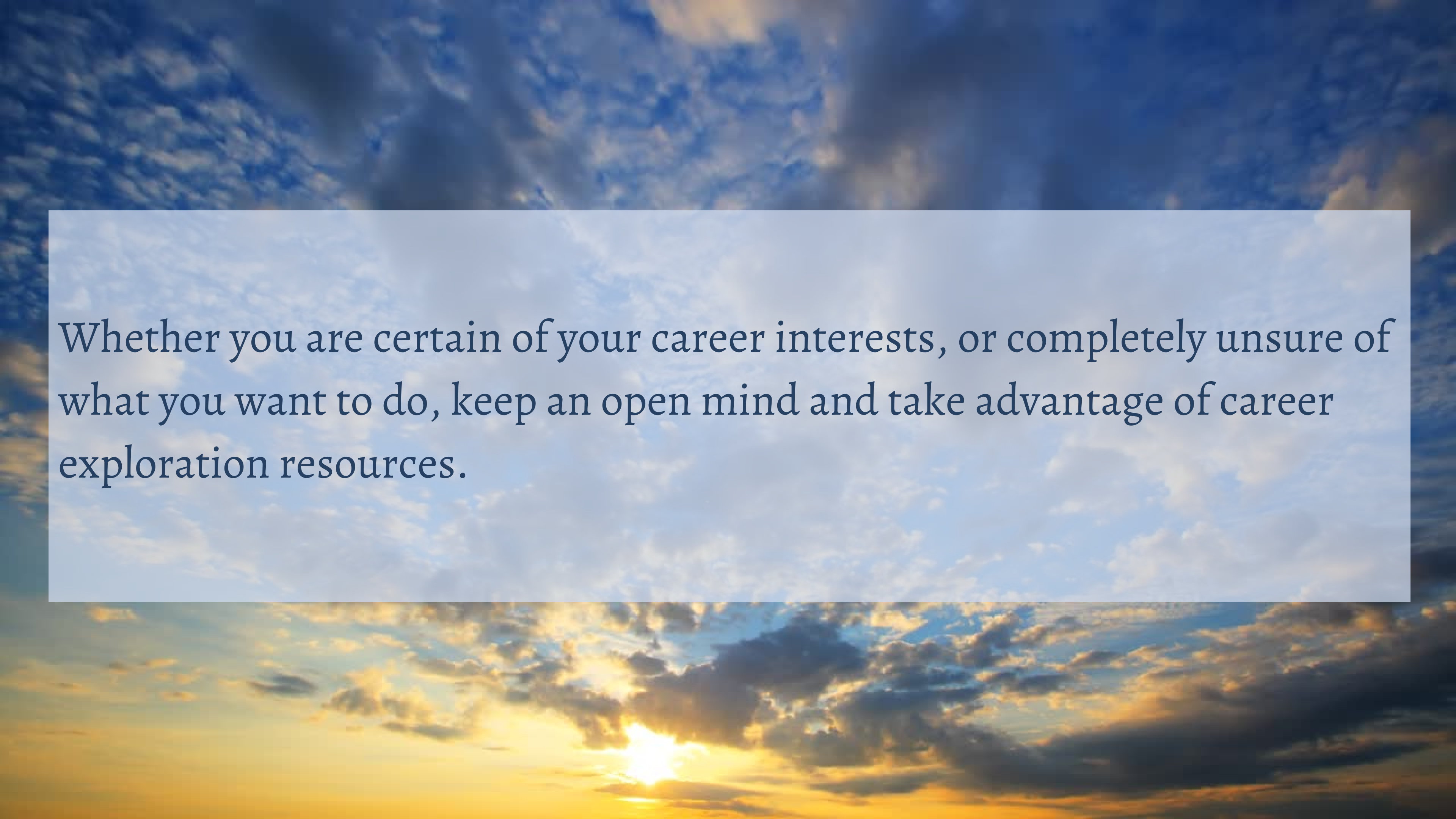


career perspectives & job simulations

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Whether you are certain of your career interests, or completely unsure of what you want to do, keep an open mind and take advantage of career exploration resources.

Quick Tips

- Tap the career resources from your professional societies (AAAS, ACS, AIChE, APS, MRS, etc.)
- Make it a priority to attend campus-run career events AND force yourself to explore several different career options (you never know what you might discover!)
- Make an appointment with a campus career counselor (even if you think it is too soon OR too late)
- Get some experience — consider an industry internship/externship, job shadowing, or volunteer/work with campus programs

Resources

- [InterSECT Job Simulations: Interactive Simulation Exercises for Career Transitions](#)
- [Beyond the Professoriate](#)
- [What Career is Right for Me? Career Assessment Tools](#)
- [LinkedIn Learning](#) (check your university for possible free access)
- [The Postdoc Academy: Succeeding as a Postdoc course](#)
- [UCSB BioE Tech Talks Q&A](#)
- [Innovation Stories](#) (UCSB Innovation + Entrepreneurship)
- [PhD Career Stories](#) [podcast](#)

Further Reading

- Career Exploration — A Grand Experiment
- PhD Pathways: Career Exploration for STEM PhDs
- Science Careers
- Cheeky Scientists (Industry Positions)
- The Fantasy, The Ideal, and The Reality of Career Exploration

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