

Choose your Presbyterian College Major Grouped by Themes or Interests



Realistic people are usually assertive and competitive and are interested in activities requiring motor coordination, skill and strength. People with a realistic orientation usually prefer to work a problem through by **doing something**, rather than talking about it, or sitting and thinking about it. They like concrete approaches to problem solving, rather than abstract theory. They tend to be interested in scientific or mechanical rather than cultural and aesthetic areas. **They like to work with THINGS.**

Realistic types prefer to deal with Things.

- A person with a **Realistic Personality** tends to be frank, practical, focused, mechanical, determined, or rugged.
- Examples of **Realistic Abilities** include manipulating tools, doing mechanical or manual tasks, or doing athletic activities.

Possible PC majors for Realistic types: Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Physics

Possible programs for Realistic types: Engineering Dual Degree, Forestry and Environmental Studies, Pre-allied Health Sciences, Pre-dental and Pre-medial, Pre-pharmacy, Pre-veterinary

Investigative people **like to think and observe** rather than act and like to organize and understand information rather than to persuade. They tend to prefer individual rather than people oriented activities. **They like to work with IDEAS.**

Investigative types prefer to deal with Things and Ideas.

- A person with an **Investigative Personality** tends to be analytical, intellectual, reserved, independent, and scholarly.
- Examples of **Investigative Abilities** include working with abstract ideas and intellectual problems.

Possible PC majors for Investigative types: Biology, Biochemistry, Business Administration (Economics, Data Analytics), Chemistry, Computational Biology, Computer Science, Physics (Dual Degree Engineering), History, Mathematics, Music, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, Sociology

Possible programs for Investigative types: Engineering Dual Degree, Pre-allied Health Sciences, Pre-dental and Pre-medial, Pre-pharmacy, Pre-veterinary

Artistic people are usually creative, open, inventive, original, perceptive, sensitive, independent and emotional. They do not like structure and rules but like tasks involving people or physical skills and are more likely to express their emotions than others. They like to think, organize and understand artistic and cultural areas. **They like to work with IDEAS.**

Artistic types prefer to deal with Ideas and People.

- A person with an **Artistic Personality** tends to be Complicated, Original, Impulsive, Independent, Expressive, and Creative.
- Examples of **Artistic Abilities** include using imagination and feelings in creative expression.

Possible PC majors for Artistic types: Art, Art History, English, English with Communication Studies Concentration, French, Modern Foreign Languages, Music, Spanish

Social people seem to satisfy their needs in teaching or helping situations. They are drawn more to seek close relationships with other people and are less apt to want to be really intellectual or physical. **They like to work with PEOPLE.**

Social types prefer to deal with People.

- A person with a **Social Personality** tends to be Helping, Informing, Teaching, Inspiring, Counseling, and Serving.
- Examples of **Social Abilities** include interacting with people and concerned with the welfare of people.

Possible majors for Social types: Business Management, Education (Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle School, Special Education), History, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, Sociology

Possible programs for Social types: Pre-Theological, Teacher Education and Certification

Enterprising people are good talkers, and use this skill to lead or persuade others. They also value reputation, power, money and status, and will usually go after it. **They like to work with PEOPLE and DATA.**

Enterprising types prefer to deal with Data and People.

- A person with an **Enterprising Personality** tends to be Characteristics: Persuasive, Energetic, Sociable, Adventurous, Ambitious, and Risk-taking.
- Examples of **Enterprising Abilities** include leading, managing, and organizing.

Possible PC majors for Enterprising types: Business Administration (Management), History, International Studies, Political Science

Conventional people like rules and regulations and emphasize self-control. They like structure and order, and dislike unstructured or unclear work and interpersonal situations. They place value on reputation, power, or status. **They like to work with DATA.**

Conventional types prefer to deal with Data and Things.

- A person with a **Conventional Personality** tends to be Careful, Conforming, Conservative, Conscientious, Self-controlled, and Structured.
- Examples of **Conventional Abilities** include ordering activities paying attention to details.

Possible PC majors for Conventional types: Business Administration (Accounting, Data Analytics, Economics), Mathematics, Physics (Engineering Dual Degree)

ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC MAJOR AND CAREER RESOURCES:

Review Presbyterian College list of undergraduate majors, minors, programs, and course descriptions in the *Course Catalog* by incoming year: <https://www.presby.edu/academics/registrar/academic-catalog/>

View thousands of career-related videos on *CandidCareer*: <https://www.presby.edu/campus-life/career-professional-development/>

What Can I Do With This Major? Read about common career paths by major and typical types of employers who hire: <http://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/>

PathwayU is a major and career exploration tool and suggests career matches and academic programs based on your self-assessments: <https://presby.pathwayu.com/signup>