

# 7 Find your dream job

## What?

This tool helps you to think creatively around career possibilities, by taking a closer look at your own knowledge, interests and societal challenges. Could you combine these in order to find your dream job?

## Time?

30-60 minutes.

## Why?

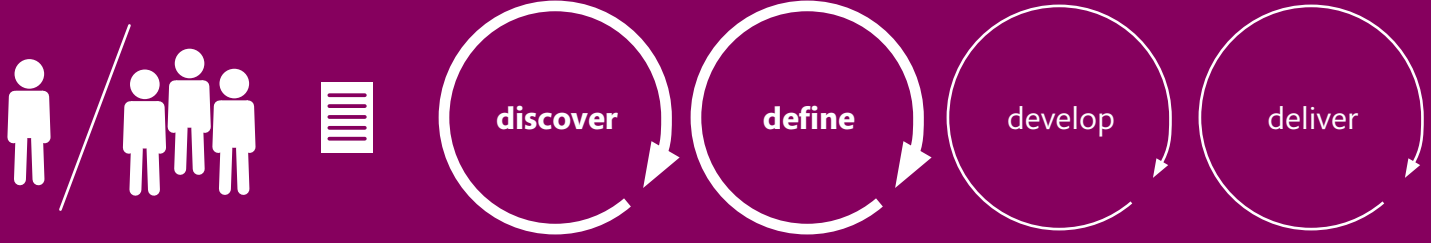
It can be a big challenge to find your place in the labor market, especially if you choose to take a different route than what is typical within a profession or field. Maybe you want to change your career path and do something completely different with your knowledge. In this case, the challenge is to find your place within a new area. This tool focuses not just on your knowledge, but also on other things that could influence your decisions. What are you interested in and what is happening in society? You can use this tool individually but also in a group. When you use the tool in a group, you will create a dialog between participants about the future and what opportunities are available.

## What is needed?

Each participant needs a worksheet and a pen.

## How?

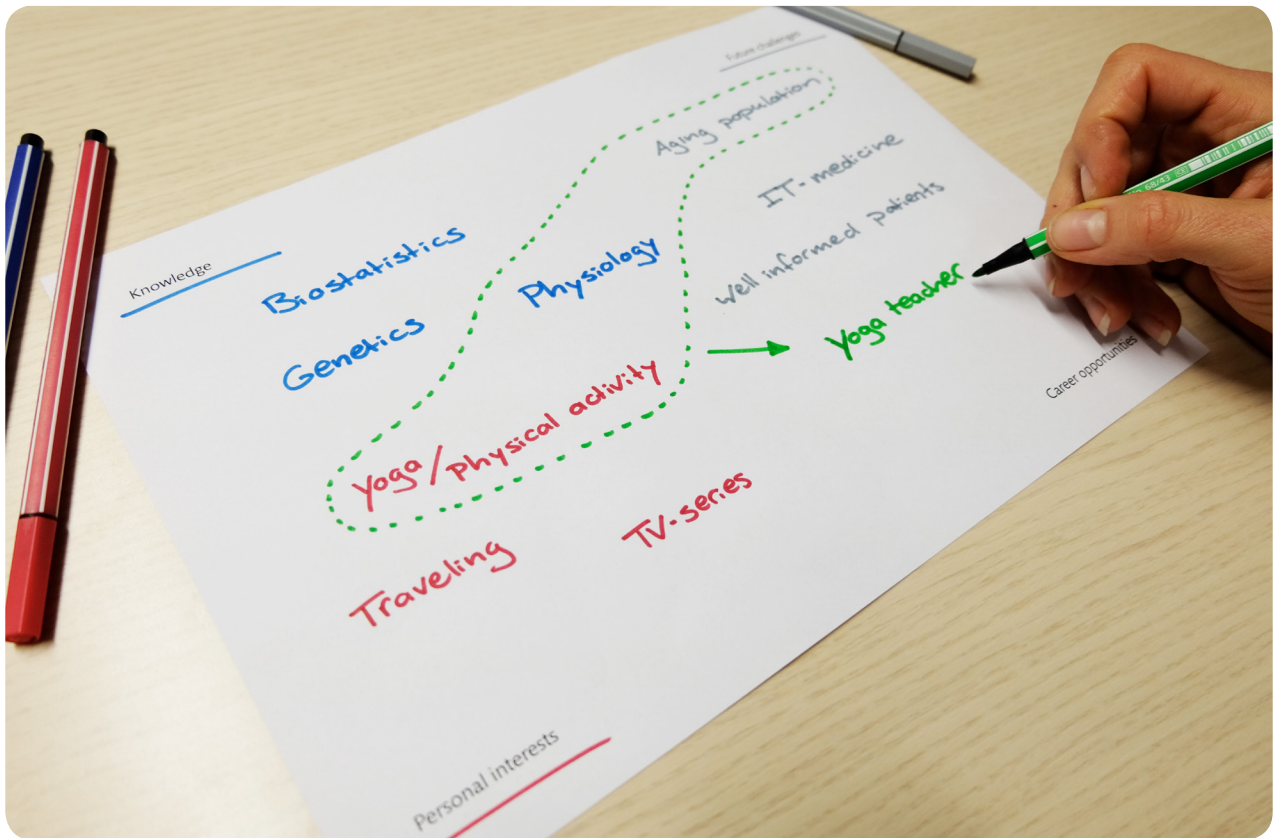
1. Create groups of about 6-8 people. Try to mix the groups as much as possible, judging from what you know about the participants. Give each participant a worksheet and some pens.
2. Give them time to list the knowledge they have, their interests and future challenges on the worksheet.
3. When the participants are done, ask them to move on to list career possibilities. The idea is to let the participants combine their knowledge, interests and future challenges in order to create possible career paths and possibilities. Ask them to be concrete at this point, maybe they can even come up with a title for a new career path or profession.
4. When everyone is done, you ask each participant or each group to present their ideas and thoughts. How do they think about what they would like to work with in the future? Do you see patterns or trends?
5. Are they getting inspired? Ask what they need help with in order to develop their ideas further.



**Hints!**

This exercise should of course evoke excitement and inspiration; it shouldn't feel annoying or difficult. Aim to maintain a high energy level in the room. Encourage the participants to think outside the box and to dream big. Don't judge the result. Use the result to start a discussion. Do you see some trends in the groups? Do the participants need to complement their education with other courses or something else? How can you help them to reach their goals? Are there people in your network that they could benefit from or contact? See the possibilities!

If the people you are working with are students, it could be interesting to begin to talk early on in their education about how they think about their career possibilities. This could help you and them to visualize the future and what they can do with their knowledge, both during and after their studies.



# Worksheet: Find your dream job

Knowledge

Future challenges

Personal interests

Career opportunities



# Example

