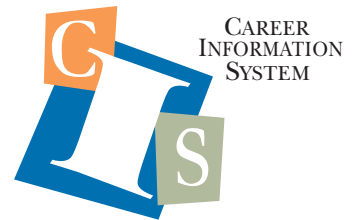


Using CIS to Find a Green Job



Check the Career Information System (CIS) for green occupations as well as others that may have a green focus. Use JOBcentral under Related Information in each occupation to find current openings in Illinois. You can also expand your search to other states or nationwide. Also try Employer Locator (under More Resources on the CIS home page) to search by industry. Go to <http://www.ILWorkInfo.com/icrn> then click on CIS.

New Green Occupations in CIS for 2010 - 2011

Look for a new section in CIS, Find Your Green Job, in early 2011.

Architecture and Construction:

- Energy Auditors

Business Management and Administration:

- Supply Chain Managers

Government and Public Administration:

- Regulatory Affairs Managers
- Regulatory Affairs Specialists

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics:

- Electronics Engineering Technologists
- Energy Engineers
- Geospatial Information Scientists and Technologists
- Manufacturing Engineering Technologists
- Manufacturing Engineers
- Manufacturing Production Technicians
- Photonics Engineers
- Precision Agriculture Technicians
- Remote Sensing Scientists and Technologists
- Robotics Engineers
- Validation Engineers

See also these emerging green occupations in CIS:

- Environmental Engineering Technicians
- Marine Biologists
- Recycling and Reclamation Workers
- Renewable Energy Engineers
- Solar Panel Installers
- Wind Turbine Technician

Add keywords to the global search box on the CIS home page to find other green-related occupations.

Global Search

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CIS has information on these and over 500 other occupations. Questions? Contact des.icrn@illinois.gov or call toll-free (877) 513-1987.

Background Information on the Green Economy

Use the Find Your Green Job section of CIS for extensive information on the green economy, job openings and more. Below are a few additional articles and reports.

Green Job Information:

Find Your Green Job has Illinois-specific resources and job boards (select CIS then log in through My CIS Portfolio to use it)

<http://www.ilworkinfo.com/icrn.htm>

Good overview of the field, occupations that are emerging, and job posting sites

<http://www.greenoccupedia.com>

‘Green Collar’ Jobs Are Poised for Growth

http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/career-articles-_green_collar_jobs_are_poised_for_growth-229

Green Your Job Search

<http://planetgreen.discovery.com/go-green/job-search/index.html>

Getting into a green career

<http://www.greenforall.org/media-room/press-clips/how-to-find-a-green-job> and

<http://www.greenforall.org/resources/green-jobs-guidebook>

O*NET Resource Center information on the green economy—essential for planners

<http://www.onetcenter.org/green.html>

Reports on Employment :

Illinois government green initiatives, legislation, and reports

www.green.illinois.gov

Green Economic Recovery Program Impact on Illinois

http://images2.americanprogress.org/CAP/2008/09/peri_il.pdf

Illinois Labor Market Review back issues

<http://lmi.ides.state.il.us/lmr/archive.htm>

Community Jobs in the Green Economy -- see also a variety of other reports at this site

<http://apolloalliance.org/reports>

A collection of research and reports from Green Collar Blog

<http://www.greencollarblog.org/reports-and-research.html>

A variety of research reports from The Apollo Alliance and Green for All

<http://www.greenforall.org/resources/reports-research>

Greener Pathways: Jobs and Workforce Development in the Clean Energy Economy (Center on Wisconsin Strategy, Workforce Alliance and Apollo Alliance)

<http://www.cows.org/greenerpathways>

State of Green Business (GreenBiz.com; registration required to download report)

<http://www.stateofgreenbusiness.com>

California’s The Green Digest plus resources for “Understanding the ‘Green’ Economy”

<http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/?pageid=1032#Digest>

Green jobs have a wingspan of GED to Ph.D.

- Van Jones



Using CIS Step by Step

a quick tour of the most essential parts of Illinois-specific information

To use CIS go to <http://www.ILWorkInfo.com/icrn>

Start with your Illinois resident login with city and zip code then set up a My CIS Portfolio with your own easy to remember choice of username and password.

1. Click on Occupations in the Occupations & Employment section and select one that interests you then read about wages, abilities required, outlook, preparation, certification, etc.

Occupation _____

2. In the Occupations file, there is a section of Related Information and under that is Programs of Study. Which program is linked to the occupation that you're exploring? Is there more than one?

Program(s) _____

3. In the Programs of Study file under Related Information you'll find Illinois Schools showing where you can study that program or get the needed training. Select a region of the state then click on a specific school. Look at school information on cost and financial aid, special services, and academic or training programs. (Choose National Schools for two-year, four-year and graduate institutions outside of Illinois.)

School(s) _____

4. Within the Programs of Study file, there's also related information on Financial Aid. Click on that, then list at least one in state or national scholarship, loan, or grant for your chosen field.

Financial aid _____

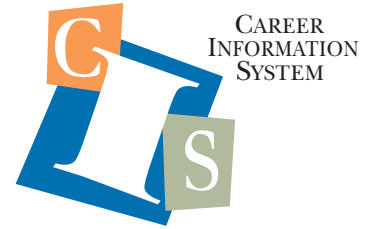
Hint: be sure to check the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) in each section for valuable articles on each of the topics. Use **Job Search** and **Find Your Green Job** in CIS as part of your job search strategy

Questions? Contact icrn@ides.state.il.us or call toll-free (877) 513-1987.


CIS Quick Reference Guide

Illinois' Career Information System 2010-2011

www.ILWorkInfo.com/icrn



MY CIS PORTFOLIO

Store assessment results, favorite files, course plans and create résumés. My Career Plan has worksheets for grades 9-12 for career exploration and reflection that can be stored in the portfolio. New: you can now add links and files of work samples to My CIS Portfolio. Spanish and English items are shown on the CIS home page by yellow and blue arrows. 

OCCUPATIONS & EMPLOYMENT

- Occupations: Get descriptions of 542 occupations including new and emerging occupations.
- Streaming Videos: View 500 video clips of occupations; read over 150 Real World™ interviews.
- Occupation Sort: Find occupations that match what you want to do on the job.
- Job Search: Learn how to look for jobs, write résumés and cover letters, and interview well.
- Keep That Job: Find out how to deal successfully with your employer and co-workers.
- Self-Employment: Learn how to start your own business; includes an Entrepreneur's Quiz.
- Military Employment: Investigate 140 different career options in the military.
- Non-Traditional Employment: Find jobs with better pay and prospects.
- Career Interest Areas: Match interests and preparation time required to CIS occupations.
- Reality Check: Discover which careers will support the lifestyle you want to live.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- Programs of Study: Explore majors, courses, and training programs.
- Illinois Schools: Get detailed information about schools, colleges and universities in Illinois.
- National Schools: Learn about 4,200 two- and four-year schools and graduate institutions.
- School Sort: Find schools nationwide that fit your preferences.
- Graduate School Sort: Locate programs for masters, doctoral and professional degrees.
- Financial Aid: Investigate over 3,000 financial aid awards, scholarships, grants and loans.
- Financial Aid Sort: Discover scholarships, grants and loans for which you may qualify.
- Apprenticeships: Describes apprenticeship programs and useful contacts.
- Learning Activities: 600 activities linked to 10 curriculum areas; many printable worksheets.

ASSESSMENTS & LINKS and MORE RESOURCES

- *Find Your Green Job* and *Jobseeker Success Mindset* training sections coming soon!
- O*NET Interest Profiler: Match work-related interests with occupations.
- Values Work Importance Locator: An online card sort for values and preferences.
- SKILLS: Find your transferable skills and match them to occupations.
- Assessment Link: Connects results from other popular inventories to CIS occupations.
- Links Outside CIS: Internet links to other career resources on the Web.
- Recommended Links: Links for Spanish language resources, veterans, green careers, etc.
- Article Directory: Offers feature articles on education and careers.
- Employer Locator: Find out about potential employers, complete with contact names and maps.
- Glossary: Explanation of career, financial aid, military, and education terms.
- Tools for Users: How to get the most out of CIS including resources for parents.
- Tools for Counselors & Teachers: Portfolio administration and educator resources.
- Tech Support: FAQs for troubleshooting, browser requirements, hardware and software.
- CIS Plus: Low-cost annual leases for assessments <http://www.ilworkinfo.com/PDF/CISPlus.pdf>
- Test Prep: Online courses and practice tests for SAT, ACT, and more.
- IDEAS Assessment: Learn which occupations match your interests.
- Dependable Strengths: Identify how your most satisfying experiences relate to careers.

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