



# Information Technology & Computer Science Toolkit

THE TOP FIVE **UTAH** INDUSTRIES THAT OFFER HIGH DEMAND, HIGH WAGE JOBS ARE:

- CONSTRUCTION
- ENGINEERING
- HEALTH CARE
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMPUTER SCIENCE
- MANUFACTURING

INFORMATION AND VIDEOS ARE INCLUDED IN THIS TOOLKIT FOR THE  
**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMPUTER SCIENCE**  
INDUSTRY

# What is Information Technology?



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"With all the computers, tablets, smartphones and other high-tech devices our society is dependent on, we need the skills of professionals in technology jobs to make our obsession with tech possible."

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U.S. NEWS STAFF, JANUARY 26, 2016



# Information Technology & Computer Science Fast Facts:

- ▶ Information technology (IT) positions are found in every employment sector.
- ▶ There is a serious shortage of qualified computer science and information systems (CSIS) employees.
- ▶ The average IT worker (a category including developers, engineers, and programmers) earned \$79,236 annually in 2015.
- ▶ For an IT employee, there are a variety of entry-level roles and multiple pathways for advancement that may or may not require an advanced degree.
- ▶ There is also a growing demand for tech-related creative careers: designers, artists, writers, and audio/video specialists.



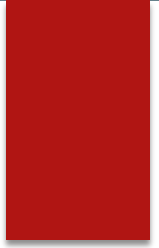
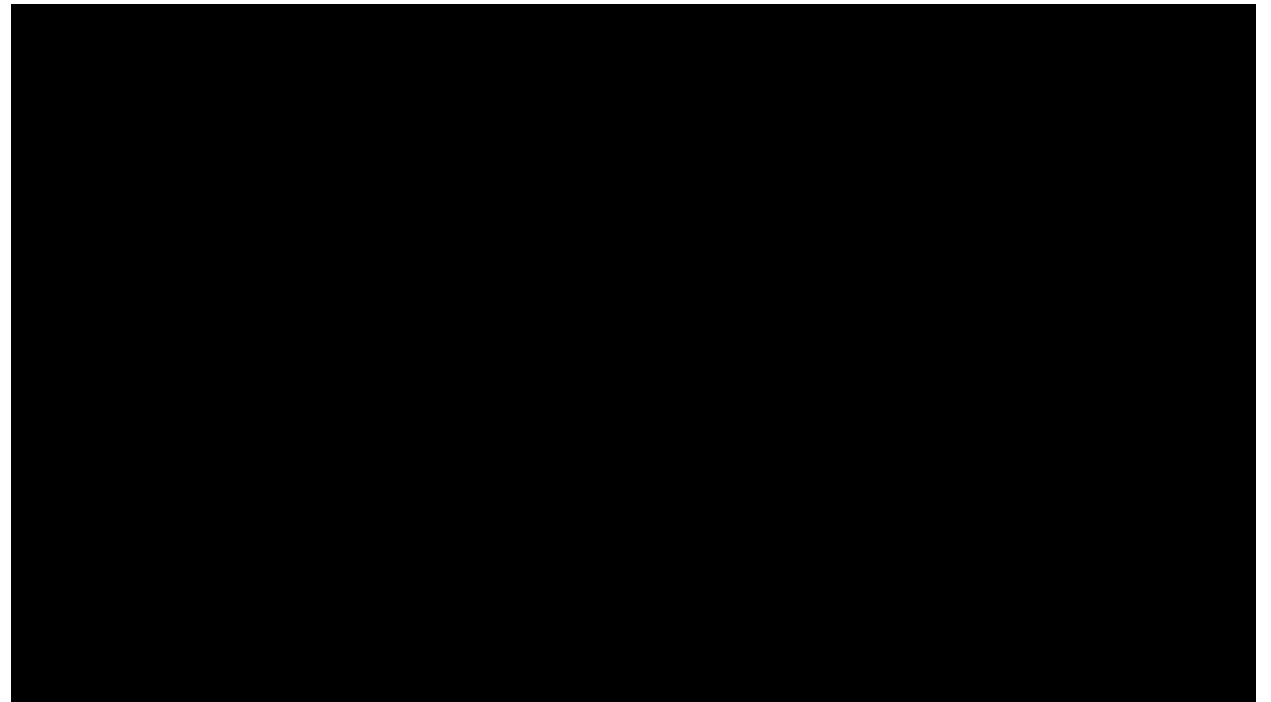
# E-magazine: Careers with Code!

Careers with Code is a FREE e-magazine that shows students in middle school and high school paths, ideas and inspiration about computer science careers.



# Computer Code Heros!

How did big names in  
Information Technology get  
their start in computers?  
Watch and see!





UTAHMAJORS.ORG

Click the link above to be taken to a website where you can research a college major in INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMPUTER SCIENCE!

Using **UtahFutures.org** to explore  
EDUCATION & CAREER options in  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY &  
COMPUTER SCIENCE

- ✓ Find information about the program of study that interests you.

[Choosing a Program of Study](#)

- ✓ Connect your program of study to schools that provide education and training (e.g. majors and minors).

[Degree Finder - Programs of Study Search](#)

- ✓ Connect your program of study to careers!

[Occupations Search](#)



# Exploring CAREERS in Information Technology & Computer Science



**Utah Department of Workforce Services  
Website:**

## [Utah Occupational Explorer Tool](#)

This tool can be used to easily explore, filter, and compare occupations in Utah and then view a detailed profile and list of current job openings for each one. There are 4 primary dimensions upon which occupations can be compared – demand, wages, growth, and education.



**United States Department of Labor –  
Bureau of Labor Statistics Website:**

## [Career Outlook Information](#)

Provides data on wages, projected job openings, and education and training required for the different career fields found in the United States.