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Certain education attainment enhance knowledge, skills, and critical thinking. Besides, the main purpose for achieving various degrees and masters are to secure the best paying jobs. According to NPR (2014) in the podcast audio, the amount to be earned depends on the type of degree attained. Some degrees have better payment than others; thus, students should critically choose their careers for better future salaries. In my opinion, a course does not guarantee a better future salary based on the flooded education system. Therefore, I believe that the organization's mode of payment and the category of a job guarantee a better salary, contrary to the notion that the degree guarantees better payment. For instance, a degree holder in career information analysts and army mental health specialists is likely to be employed in different organizations offering different rates.

Majoring in psychology has both benefits and challenges. When one pursues a career in psychology, carefulness and critical thinking will be paramount. Moreover, critical thinking enables one to solve some challenging situations for the betterment of their life. Based on chapter 1 in *Careers in Psychology*, psychologists often have formed opinions based on scientific, empirical, and rational evidence (Kuther & Morgan, 2019). Ability to think critically not enhance better decision making but to be useful in organizational decision making. NPR (2014), in the podcast series argues that some degrees in psychology are worthy but securing a job might be difficult. Some graduates of psychology careers spend months and years without succeeding. Notably, other subjects are lucrative; thus, a graduate-only spend few months to land the desired job. As a result, I have learned that getting a job based on the psychology careers depend on the subject pursued. Hence, my concern is why the less marketable courses are offered in the

learning institutions if they do not benefit students. Therefore, vacancies should be made available in such fields such that all graduates benefit.

I think that careers in psychology are the best; the moment one is enrolled in a particular institution and later achieves the first degree, there will always be a desire to further the studies. Unfortunately, most people get education with the motive of quick employment. The desire to earn more salary makes one pursue a career that would not help. NPR (2014) podcast audio suggests that one should not focus interest in the income but do the course with passion. For instance, a doctor narrates being employed with the lowest salary of 17 dollars but did not lose hope. I believe having passion in a given career enables one to have great achievements from the context. Besides, I would rather do what I am passionate about than going for higher-income that would not be of interest. Chapter one discusses the importance of postgraduate education as well as the podcast which one should major in. Hence, with the degree of interest, one would easily register for postgraduate studies with the highest income.

The notion of the type of institution one studied mislead most of the undergraduates. For instance, pursuing a less marketable career in a renowned institution would be meaningless in failing to secure a job. Hence, I have learned that employers are interested in producing the best outcome directly related to most of these psychological careers. Furthermore, critical thinking predicts ones' ability to succeed in the future based on the postgraduate career performance. The podcast and chapter one motivates me to further my career in the future. Importantly, choosing a course rather than a famous school is critical in shaping ones' future. Consequently, having a major is essential compared to the institution as it determines an individual's income.

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