

Pre-Conference
January 4th, 2023
3- 4:30 pm

Location: Central Maine Community College



Presenter: Jim Peacock is the Principal of Peak-Careers Consulting offering a variety of professional development for career practitioners, from the Facilitating Career Development (FCD) class, online seminars, weekly career emails, monthly interviews, and workshops for career practitioners. He is a Certified Career Services Provider (CCSP) and Global Career Development Facilitator (GCDF).

He is a Trustee at Large on the National Career Development Association (NCDA) Board of Directors and a two-time President of Maine-CDA, 2013-2015 & 2003 - 2004. In 2007 he received the NCDA Outstanding Career Practitioner Award. In 2020 he was honored to receive the Ken Hoyt Career Education Practitioner Award from NCDA. In 2020, he was also awarded the Mid-Atlantic Career Counseling Association (MACCA) Professional Contributors award. Author of A Field Guide for Career Practitioners: Helping Clients Create Their Next Move. Learn more at <https://peak-careers.com/>

Title: What do you want to be when you grow up, is the wrong question.

Description: This workshop explores the process of choosing a career by flipping the question from “What job title do you want?” to “What challenge do you want to solve?” We do this by using the Challenge Card Sorts that removes job titles from the equation. We will look at our own challenges by using the cards, then work in triads to explore how you can use the cards with your students. All participants will receive a deck of cards they can take back to use with their students / clients.

Learning Outcomes.

By the end of this workshop, all participants will:

- be able to describe the process of choosing a challenge first in order to make career decisions
- have completed their own challenge card sort
- be able to describe at least 5 questions to ask students using the challenge cards to help them explore career options
- have practiced a session with at least one other person