**Steppingblocks** Steppingblocks User Conference **Digital Career Counselor Master Class** 

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# Who is Steppingblocks?

Meet the nerds behind the data.



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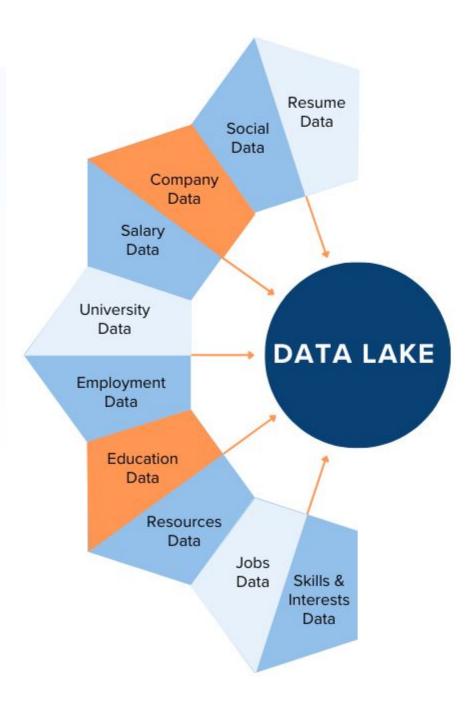


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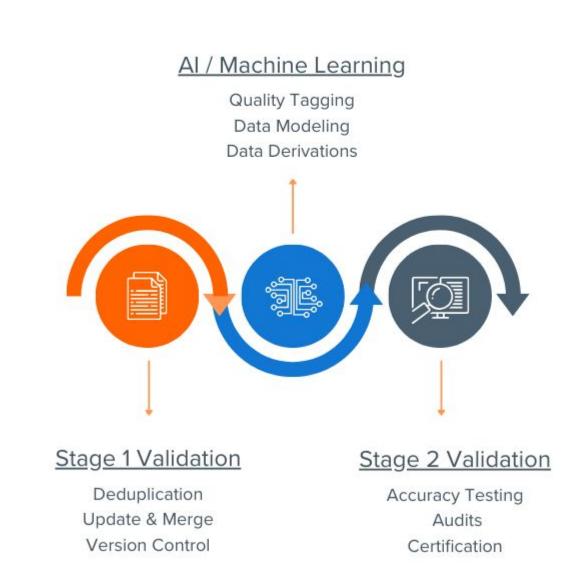
Steppingblocks provides students and universities with the data-driven tools they need to promote career readiness and institutional success. With solutions for students, faculty, staff, and campus leadership, Steppingblocks makes it easy to explore alumni profiles, employer trends, average salaries, relevant skills, and more. The Steppingblocks team is here to help students build their career confidence, and to help institutions succeed.

### How We Do It

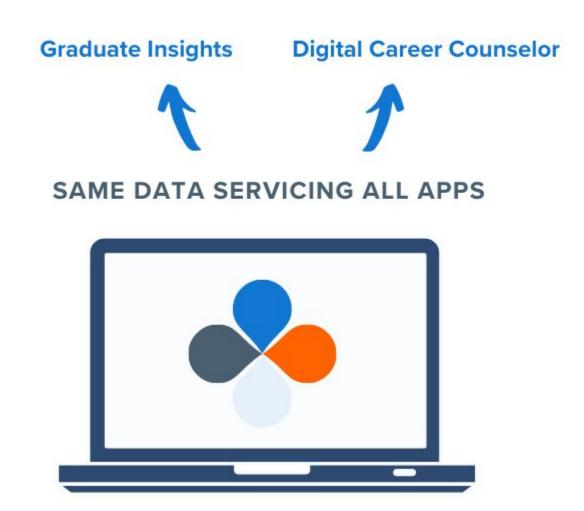
#### DATA ACQUISITION



#### AI / MACHINE LEARNING PROCESSING



#### REAL-TIME QUERY FULFILLMENT

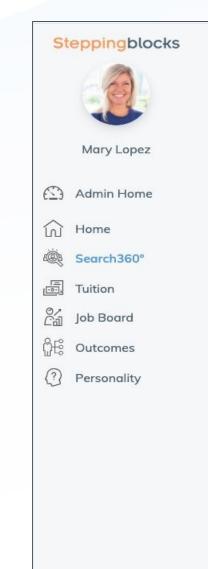


#### **130+ MILLION INDIVIDUALS**

25+ Million Companies 7,000+ Colleges/Universities

# Demo: Digital Career Counselor

- Student-Facing Platform
- For Students, Career Services, Classrooms, and Advising
- Accessible through your school's single sign-on (SSO)
- Explore your graduate outcomes, outcomes from our entire dataset, and more!



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### **Determine Your Use Cases**

- Ask Yourself:
  - What are your students' unique needs when it comes to career preparation?
  - How can you leverage data to promote career readiness among students?  $\bigcirc$
  - Where are the opportunities to incorporate career readiness into the student Ο experience?
  - How can students benefit from accessing career data?
- As you get ready to use Digital Career Counselor, make a plan for how to roll out and scale the platform
- Consider our recommended best practices and use cases from our partners



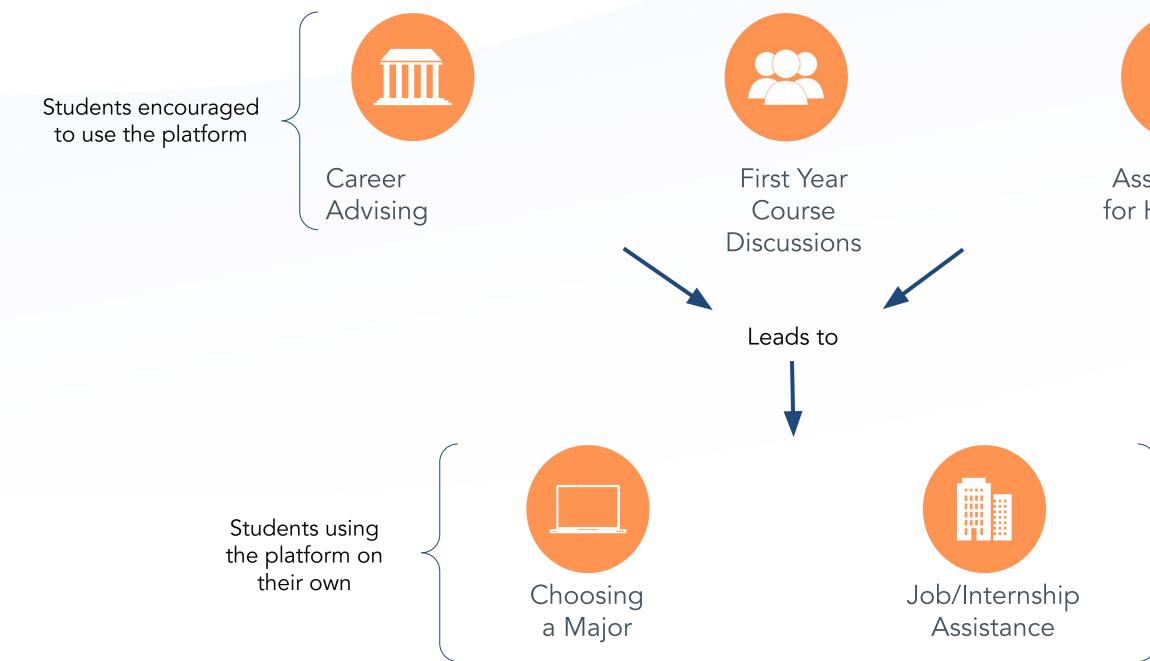
## Best Practice: Curriculum Integration

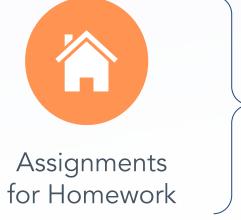
- Integrate Digital Career Counselor into the Curriculum • We've seen schools have the most success with Digital Career Counselor when they use it in the classroom, and provide meaningful activities to help students reflect and explore.
- Can be used in any course for any student level • Most commonly used in first year exploration or career readiness courses
- Steppingblocks Resource: eBook: Incorporating Digital Career Counselor into Curriculum
  - Includes assignment suggestions with learning objectives and materials for each module within Digital Career Counselor
  - Assignments are open to modification to fit your unique needs
- Partner Case Study: University of Maryland Global Campus • Article: University of Maryland Global Campus

### **Best Practice: Advising Incorporation**

- Create a more robust advising conversation
  - Give students access to data that can help them explore and make informed decisions
  - Empower advisors with access to data and information on a wide range of career fields and paths
- Steppingblocks Resource: eBook: Maximize the Digital Career Counselor in Advising
  - Includes information on how to use Digital Career Counselor to meet the different needs of your students, whether they're just starting out or getting ready to graduate
- Partner Case Study: <u>University of Memphis</u>

## Ways to Engage with Students





## Promotion Strategy: Student Marketing

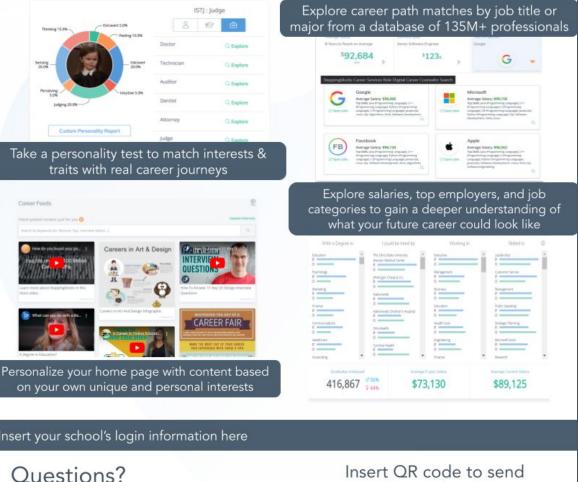
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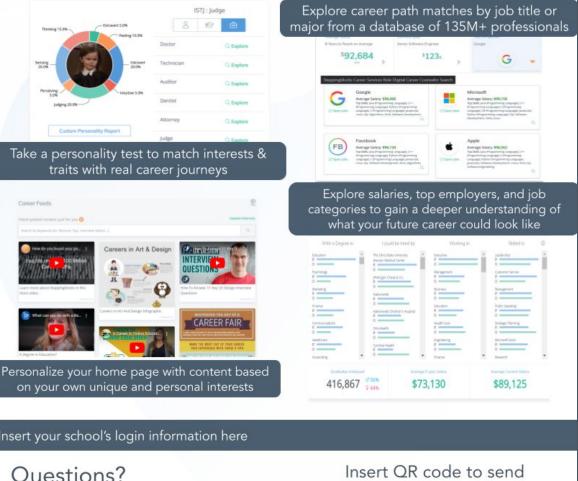
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- Promotional Video  $\bigcirc$
- Email Templates 0
- Infographics  $\bigcirc$
- Create your own!
  - Flyers Ο
  - Social Media Posts  $\bigcirc$
  - Emails  $\bigcirc$
  - Videos  $\bigcirc$
- Partner Case Study: <u>Atlanta Metropolitan State</u> <u>College</u>



Discover the ultimate solution for your career exploration journey with Steppingblocks' Digital Career Counselor! This platform puts your own personal career counselor at your fingertips 24/7, offering fully interactive dashboard to support you every step of the way.

Gain insight into outcomes for alumni of your school, empowering you to make informed decisions when plannin your future! you can take your career exploration to the next level, and achieve your goals with confidence.









#### Steppingblocks DIGITAL CAREER COUNSELOR

Insert your school's digital career counselor point of contact here)

students directly to platform here

### Promotion Strategy: Website

• We strongly recommend that institutions add an overview of Steppingblocks to their website as well as a link to log in.

Home > Career Services > An Introduction to Steppingblocks

#### Digital Tools To Help You Prepare For Your Career

#### **Steppingblocks**

What careers and industries can my degree lead to? What salary can I expect upon graduation? The data in Steppingblocks can help answer these questions.

Steppingblocks is an online career exploration platform. Students, faculty, and staff have access to a 20-question personality assessment, a career path explorer, an institutional outcomes explorer, and a tuition analyzer. You can access Steppingblocks using your University of Memphis Single Sign-On (SSO) information by visiting memphis.steppingblocks.com.

#### LOG IN TO STEPPINGBLOCKS

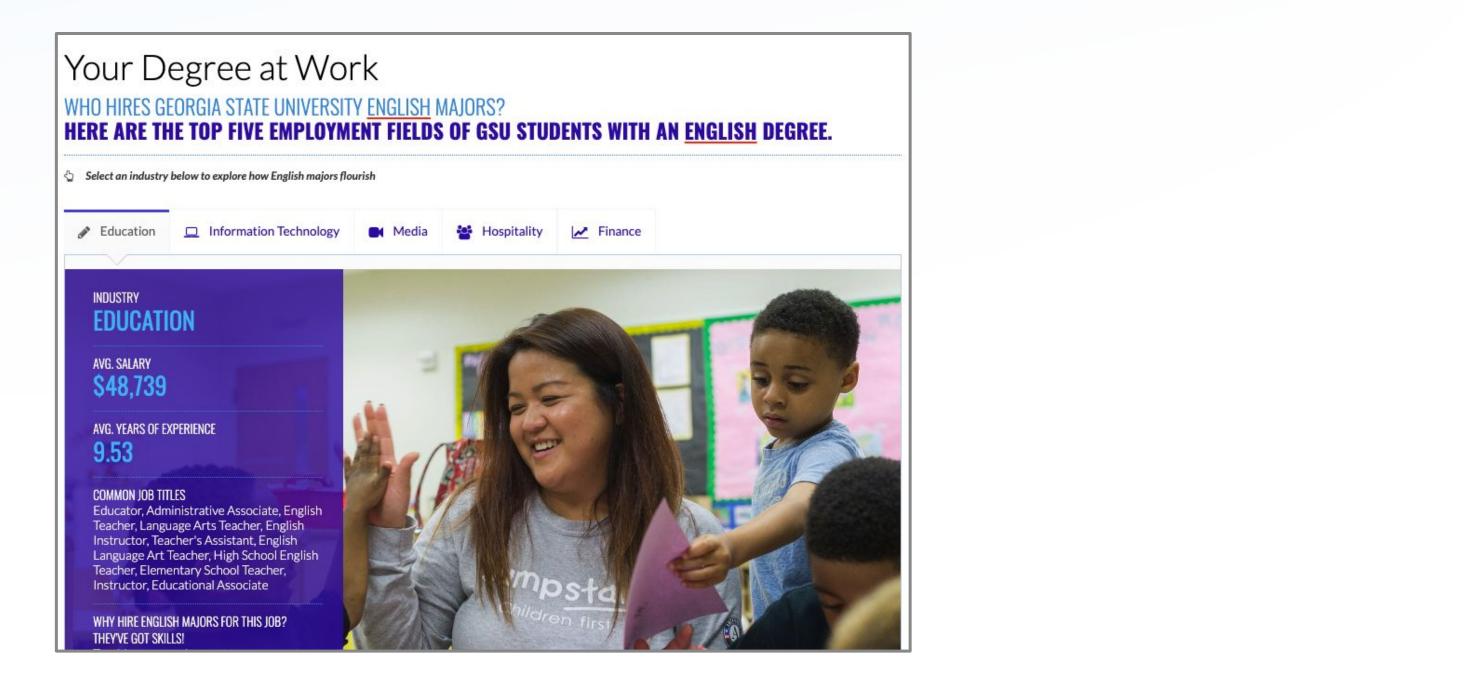
#### **New To Steppingblocks?**

Take a guided tour of the student platform.

Become a Steppingblocks Super User by watching a few short videos.

# Promotion Strategy: Share Outcomes Data

 Add Steppingblocks Outcomes data to your website and then encourage students to explore further.



## Promotion Strategy: Classroom Presentations

- Present to students in their classrooms
  - Demo the platform to students and encourage them to take advantage  $\bigcirc$
  - Have students pull up Digital Career Counselor on their laptop/phone  $\bigcirc$ and follow along
  - Can be a 10-15 minute overview or a full class block with activities  $\bigcirc$
- You can present to students in other settings as well
  - Orientation sessions Ο

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Student club/organization meetings  $\bigcirc$ 

# Promotion Strategy: Faculty & Staff Trainings

- Introduce Faculty & Staff to the Platform
  Host a Demo
  - Invite our Partner Success Team to Help!
- Encourage Incorporation
  - Curriculum Integration
  - Advising Conversations

### Next Steps: Get Access & Learn More

- Access your data!
  - Digital Career Counselor: SSO
  - Graduate Insights: Invitation Only via admin
- Check out our other conference sessions
  - Visit our <u>conference webpage</u>
  - Share with others on campus!
- Learn more & ask questions
  - Visit our <u>Help Center</u>
  - <u>Contact a member of our partner success team</u>

