

VALUE CONSCIOUS CONSUMPTION

SLS RELATED CAREERS



So how can I make a difference? There are many ways you can contribute, including through advocacy, volunteering, personal behavior change, or your choice of work. If you are curious about the different career paths related to this Action Pack, the following list provides a starting point for planning an exciting future! This list offers just a few ideas, so please consider talking to people in the field, researching other schools, and exploring ways to get job experience such as volunteering for an organization that aligns with your values and interests.

ALL PACKAGED UP

Sustainable Packaging Developer/Designer

Sustainable packaging developers and designers create packaging alternatives using sustainable materials. You could also work with companies and product developers to create packaging solutions that reduce the use of non-renewable resources in packaging design.

SOME EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS:

- **BDes or BID in Industrial Design**
Offered at: [Emily Carr University](#), [University of Alberta](#), [Carleton University](#), [OCAD](#)
- **BDes/BFA in Product Design**
Offered at: [Kwantlen Polytechnic University](#), [University of Oregon](#)
- **BDes (Major in Graphic Design)**
Offered at: [Sheridan College](#), [Kwantlen Polytechnic University](#), [OCAD](#)
- **Advertising & Graphic/Digital Design Formation**
Offered at: [Humber College](#), [University of the Fraser Valley](#), [VCAD](#), [Langara College](#)

VOLUNTEER AND WORK EXPERIENCE IDEAS:

- Local product designers
- Graphic design firms
- Recycling plants

Plastics Engineer

Plastic Engineers design and maintain equipment and systems for manufacturing plastics and other synthetic materials. This requires knowledge of the chemical and physical characteristics of these products. As a plastics engineer you could be involved in figuring out how to develop more sustainable processes and products as well as creating recycling solutions for plastic products.

SOME EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS:

- **BASc/BSc in Materials Engineering**
Offered at: [UBC](#), [University of Toronto](#), [University of Alberta](#)
- **BSc in Chemical Engineering**
Offered at: [Ryerson University](#), [University of Saskatchewan](#), [University of Waterloo](#)
- **Chemical Engineering Diploma**
Offered at: [Seneca College](#), [BCIT](#)

○ VOLUNTEER AND WORK EXPERIENCE IDEAS:

- Eco-products companies
- Sustainable building materials companies
- Plastics recycling companies

OTHER CAREER RESOURCES:

- [Eco-Canada](#): Environmental job listings and career profiles
- [Good Work](#): Environmental employment and volunteer listings
- [Career Cruising](#): Career planning resource (requires username and password: all BC students have access, ask your teacher or school administrator for log in information)