Why Explore a Career in Mining and Mineral Resources?

1. LOVE WHAT YOU DO

Professionals in the minerals industry love their careers. Most say it's more than just a job.

2. MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Your work can positively affect society, such as working on minerals extraction projects that minimize impact on the environment, finding new sources of energy and increasing the standard of living for people around the world.

3. MONEY MATTERS

As one of the highest paying industries, your earning potential is excellent. Because of the challenges and rewards involved in this industry, companies offer excellent financial benefits in order to attract the very best people.

4. THE PLACES YOU’LL GO

From the lab to the field, you’ll find many places to work. Mining can take you anywhere including busy cities, remote locations, deep underground, on the ocean floor or – maybe – even into outer space.

5. BE A CREATIVE PROBLEM-SOLVER

You’ll search for solutions to open-ended and unique problems that require the ability to think beyond the obvious. You’ll be tasked with finding results involving complex geologic materials or working with incomplete and uncertain data.

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As the world develops and the global economy expands, the demand for minerals and mineral processing continues to increase. The world will always need rocks and minerals, and that means opportunities now and in the future.

DIVERSITY WELCOME
The international nature of the mining and minerals industry brings together talent from around the globe. These diverse perspectives foster innovation, curiosity and collaboration. Plus, with the innovations in the industry, such as virtual work and autonomous mining, we provide incredible opportunities.

CONTRIBUTIONS THAT COUNT
You’ll be contributing significantly to our nation’s international competitiveness and will protect the environment, help maintain and improve our standard of living, and ensure a strong national security.

VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF WORK
You can find a broad array of work opportunities. You’ll never be bored. Mining’s activities include the exploration for mineral deposits, development of new mine sites, underground or surface mining, processing minerals to extract the commodity, and the transportation and marketing of minerals.

SAFE AND SOUND
Safety is a priority for all professionals in the U.S. and you might be surprised to know we’re one of the safest industries in the U.S. In fact, whole careers exist around mine safety.

TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK
You’ll work collaboratively to problem-solve with global professionals across many disciplines. The infinite variety of occurrences and properties of natural materials that you will work with in the mining and minerals industry requires creative thinking and teamwork.