Career Choice Essay By Jane Doe

Growing up in a house full of girls, dress up was a mainly a childhood game. Having two sisters to play along with made the "runway" that much more interesting. As a little girl, careers weren't a thought on my mind. All I knew was that I did the things I enjoyed and felt passionate about it. Now that I am older and the real world is creeping up faster than expected, I figured I'd begin thinking about choosing a career I love and that makes me happy. I've always been interested in the fashion industry, and I would love to be a part of it someday. That is why being a fashion merchandiser would give me that opportunity with no regrets in the future.

Becoming a fashion merchandiser has always had an appeal to me – watching all the shows about the fashion industry, imagining myself in every episode, sharing my ideas and thoughts out loud. I have always thought that you can show so much expression in the clothes you wear. Most of the time, we judge people by the clothes they wear. I admire that you can use clothing to say what kind of person you are. This career would give me the chance to look for new fashion. To me, fashion is a way to escape and be free. Fashion merchandising has many different branches one can pursue.

There are several reasons why this career is what I would choose for my profession. First, I would have the opportunity to travel around the world. I would be able to explore the cultures of the different countries and their latest fashions. I hope to be able to study abroad for a few college semesters to get that experience. Then, I plan on getting married and raising a family shortly after, so traveling would be easier done at an earlier age. This job would also let me have free time to spend with my family as well. This most likely will be a stress-free environment because I would organize my time to make sure I wasn't put in a tight position. I would learn to prioritize my work and deal with problems at hand.

As usual, every job has its perks and its downfalls. One of the disadvantages of being a fashion merchandiser is the salary. An average salary for a fashion merchandiser is \$47,000. Other professions in shipping, purchasing, and fashion distribution can earn an annual salary of \$25,000 to \$60,000. To raise a family, it is important to earn a decent salary. I feel that I would be able to find a higher paying job, however, I would not be as happy about working. Another drawback of this profession is that it is not as easy as it seems to gain a position in the top fashion businesses. It is going to take a lot of hard work and dedication to accomplish such a goal, but if I want it that bad, I will achieve it.

I never had imagined the day I would have to decide what I wanted to become would come so fast. Fashion has had a huge impact on my life ever since I was a little girl. As I got older, I would pick out my own clothes to express my own sense of style and bring a new trend into the fashion world. I would love sifting through clothes at department stores and finding new items to mix and match with. If I would be able to do that for a living after I graduate college, I would absolutely be in utopia.

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