# Sample Major Decision Matrix

A decision matrix is a helpful tool for comparing the relative pros and cons of each major under consideration. List the potential majors on the rows and the criteria (select your own) under consideration on the columns. Determine how each major matches your criteria; you can use plus or minus or give points. This process can help clarify your thinking and allow you to rank the majors that you are considering. Remember to refer to your research to fill in the matrix.

| | | **List Interests** | **List Criterion 2** | **List Criterion 3** | **List Criterion 4** | **Total Score** | |
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| | **Criterion** | (e.g., math and science) | (e.g., service to others) | (e.g., challenge) | (e.g., work hours) | | |
| | **Major 1** | | | | | | |
| | **Major 2** | | | | | | |
| | **Major 3** | | | | | | |