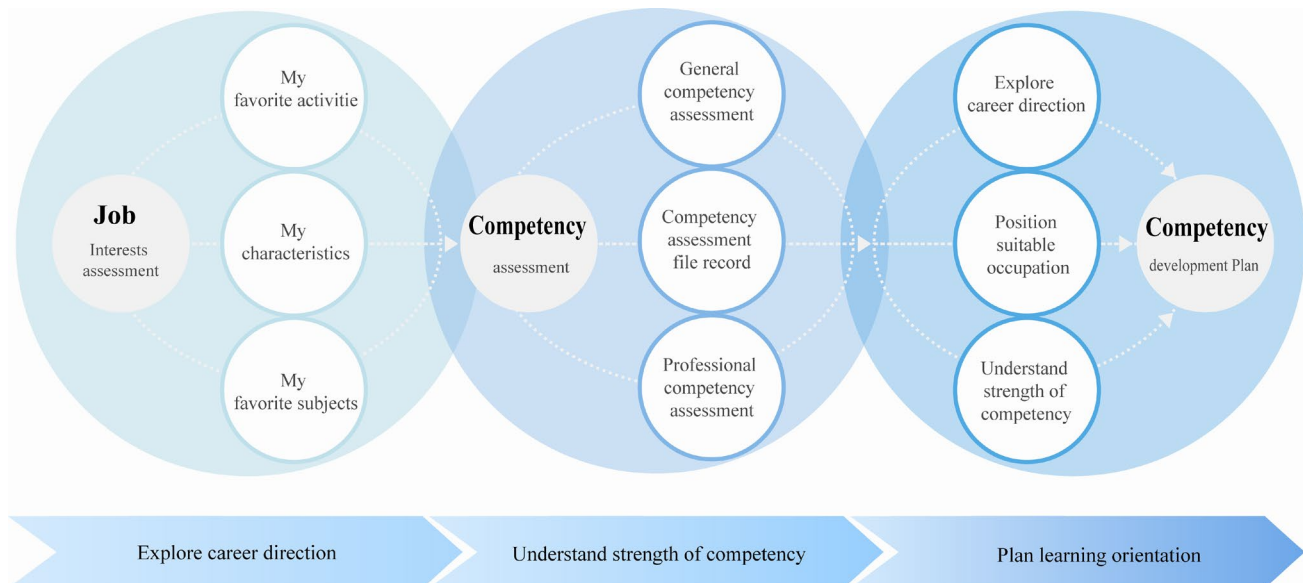


## Introduction of UCAN Competency Platform

### ■ Concept of UCAN (Career & Competency Assessment Network)

In order to assist student to understand their directions of career development and to enhance the employability, Ministry of Education launches “University Career and Competency Assessment Network, UCAN” (<http://ucan.moe.edu.tw>). UCAN platform combines career exploring and competency assessment to get a hold of the industry needs as the basis. UCAN platform provides students job interest and professional competency assessment to help with their self development plan of competency in shortening the gap between university education and the demands of enterprises or other types of organizations.



**Figure 1 Development concept of UCAN Platform**

## ■ Benefit of UCAN Platform

UCAN platform provides students with the information of job market, assists with their career planning and the development of competency. As for the schools, UCAN platform is a tool for student career counseling, and also a reference of competency-based curriculum.

Benefits	
For student	<p>Understand and know well about job market</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Provide occupation information, helping students to get a picture of each kind of occupations.</li> <li>■ Help students to understand each occupation's opportunity and essential competency as well as the nature of job market.</li> </ul>
	<p>Career plan and understand competency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Job interest assessment helps students understand possible career direction in the future.</li> <li>■ Competency self assessment helps students find out gaps of competencies and plan learning programs early.</li> </ul>
	<p>Goal setting and competency development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Check general competency based on the assessment <b>result to help the students strengthen competency of job adaptability.</b></li> <li>■ Check professional competency based on the assessment result, to help the students develop competency with guidance.</li> </ul>

### Benefits

	<p>Enhance career counseling efficiency</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ UCAN platform provides complete career information, to help the counselors to solve the problem that they can not give further assistance for students because of lack of occupation information in whole.</li> <li>■ UCAN platform provides complete online functions. Students can review assessment results and inquire information online. It prevents the traditional scale's problems as no follow-up support and insufficient resource of career counselor.</li> </ul>
<p>For school</p>	<p>Feedback to department on instructional plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Competency needs of industry and the analysis of strengths of students competency can provide as feedback to the plan of course/education and as reference of related activities in teaching. Also can strengthen the competency-based curriculum of department.</li> <li>■ Understand the professional competencies of individuals and as a whole can help the students develop their competencies aiming for targets.</li> </ul>
	<p>Support school total management system</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Provide analysis reports to help school to understand connection between student's competencies and development of courses, and the connection between <b>distributions</b> of student's job interest and reinforce developing priority of departments.</li> <li>■ Be the reference for planning and review of related projects.</li> </ul>

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