4. Actuary

Cassandra, 28, is an actuary at a bank in Delaware; an actuary is someone who analyzes insurance needs.

Cassandra was a good math student in high school, so her counselor invited her to a career presentation by a woman who was an Actuary Analyst. She learned that this job required strong math skills. She also learned that it is a high-paying job and requires a college degree. No one in Cassandra's family had ever gone to college, so she was worried she wouldn't be successful. However, she did very well and earned her Bachelor of Arts in Math in 4 years.

It wasn't long before she landed her current job. Because of her education and strong job skills, she was quickly promoted. She will now be able to travel for her job, working with banks and insurance companies. Cassandra loves her new role as an Actuary Consultant, mostly because every day is different. She also likes that she can use creativity to solve problems and that there are lots of opportunities for personal and professional growth.