

GENERAL ACADEMIC LIFE

- Save all notes and books from previous classes to create a personal library.
- Schedule time for seeking information that goes beyond what is required for your classes. The library and the Internet will be valuable in your search.
- You enjoy gathering information, possible even from reading a dictionary or encyclopedia.
- Start a filing system for interesting and potentially useful articles you have read.

STUDY TECHNIQUES

- Give yourself research deadlines within your overall timelines for completing papers. Without them, you might continue to read and read, never feeling like you have enough information.
- To continue making progress and stay on track while doing required work, put sticky notes on areas you wish to go back and look at.
- Prioritize the most critical information to study. Otherwise, you might become distracted by other information that fascinates you but is not as relevant.

RELATIONSHIPS

- Share your information with friends. Determine who would be interested in each bit of information, rather than giving all information to everyone.
- Seek out professors who would be interested in knowing what you are learning and will find it stimulating to hear about the questions you are generating through your investigations.
- Be aware that the more you know, the more likely it is that others will seek you out for information and see you as highly credible.

CLASS SELECTION

- Select classes taught by professors who are well read and who keep up to date on the latest research in their fields.
- Select classes that help you increase your general knowledge base. That would include classes in which research is valued.
- Select classes in which class discussion is valued and in which you can share your ideas and the information that you have gleaned.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Join groups in which you can use your knowledge, such as community discussion groups, book clubs, and pre-law society mock trial groups.
- Become involved in extracurricular activities that further your learning, such as science clubs, language clubs, or literary organizations.
- Study about fascinating places to travel. Gather information, and go!