

## Using Your Strengths to Achieve Success: Deliberative

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## Applying to Academics

### General Academic Life

- Attend all lectures and class sessions--make sure you don't miss anything. Be thorough in your preparation for a class by reading ahead and reviewing class notes to avoid being caught off guard.
- Before visiting a professor during office hours, prepare thoroughly by making a list of items and questions you wish to discuss.
- Schedule regular appointments with your advisors to be well aware of your options and to make sure you are on track.

### Study Techniques

- Know your reading pace, and set aside plenty of time to finish reading assignments. Take notes on what you read, and study your notes for exams.
- Work extra problems just to be sure you understand the material.
- If you work best alone, study on your own before engaging in group discussions. This will allow you to reinforce what you have learned with the group, without needing to rely on the group.

### Relationships

- Choose friends who have academic goals similar to yours, so you reinforce one another in your serious pursuit of studying.
- Make frequent visits during office hours to develop relationships with one or two professors or teaching assistants whose advice you feel you can trust.

### Extracurricular Activities

- Rely on your own judgment to know the types of activities that will be most enjoyable to you. Purely social activities without further purpose will most likely feel like a waste of time to you.

### Applying to Major/Career Path

- Explore the roles of risk analysts, financial officers, judges, and others whose work benefits from careful thinking and deliberation.



## CAREER SERVICES

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### Apply to Job Search

#### In the Job Search

- Your deliberative helps you be practical in your job search. You understand about the potential risks you are taking and have already gathered information about how to prevent or deal with them before they even happen.
- Search for careers that necessitate careful planning and thinking before jumping into action. Consider careers where research or analysis is part of the job responsibilities.
- Tips: Make a timeline for your job search and be sure to move forward. Decide the number of resources you will look into before looking at the detailed information. Make sure to eventually leave the thinking phase so that your thoroughness turns into action.
- In the job interviews you take the time to carefully consider difficult questions before answering. You foresee many different questions the interviewer could ask you and are prepared to answer them. Consider doing a mock interview so you can practice any unforeseen questions you hadn't thought about to that point.
- Tips: When faced with an unexpected question, you may appear quiet and less engaging as you take the time to form an answer. Ask for some time to think before you move forward.

### Apply to Careers

#### In the New Position

- Your deliberative nature will need to be encouraged to make decisions in a timely manner. Show your colleagues your planning and research skills so they can give you tasks to require them.
- Remember to meet your deadlines and complete tasks as you plan how to most effectively finish them. Do not spend all of your time in the thinking and planning phases.

#### In the Interview

- You can highlight your tendency to be cautious and practical in the workforce. When you take an action, you are confident in the outcome because you have carefully planned for it.