

Using Your Strengths to Achieve Success: Intellection

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Applying to Academics

General Academic Life

- Make your education ever more effective by following your intellectual curiosity. As you allow yourself to ask the questions that naturally come to you, you will refine your approach to learning and studying.
- Ask questions and seek answers in discussions and lectures.
- Research subjects that interest and intrigue you.

Study Techniques

- Take time to think and plan before writing a paper or performing an assignment.
- Study to understand and learn, not just to memorize.
- Take part in study groups that allow you to verbalize and further define your thoughts.

Relationships

- Surround yourself with intellectually stimulating people, and confidently converse with them. You can contribute to their lives as well as they can to yours.
- Get to know your professors, and engage them in discussions.

Extracurricular Activities

- Attend conferences and debates about the subjects in which you are most interested.

Applying to Major/Career Path

- Choose work that will challenge you intellectually. Talk to editors, theologians, or philosophy professors on campus. Ask what their work is like.

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Apply to Job Search

In the Job Search

- Your intellection helps you learn information for different positions and then add your own thoughts. You find great enjoyment in talking with peers and colleagues about job possibilities and these conversations can lead to new ideas you haven't considered before.
- Search for careers that provide opportunity for in-depth discussion with colleagues and where sharing ideas is the main emphasis.
- Tips: Make a general timeline for the job search process so that you can see your progress.
- Tips: Make time to digest the information you have received, scheduling time for your own reflection.

Apply to Careers

In the New Position

- Your intellection will lead you to ask thought-provoking questions of yourself, your colleagues, and your superiors, which can lead to higher efficiency and productivity.
- Remember to eventually come out of the deliberating and questioning stage and begin accomplishing tasks. Make sure co-workers know you need time to think so it is not misconstrued as inactivity.

In the Interview

- You can highlight your ability to ask thoughtful questions to generate new ideas for a company.
- In the job interviews you are not worried about delivering your viewpoints because you are able to articulate them well. You have taken much time to envision how you will answer questions and how you would work in the position.