

Planning | Score: 7

You will excel at universities that foster intellectual competition, especially if new and exciting innovation or research is happening. You look to the future and enjoy being part of new ideas. Since you enjoy investigative work, sign up for classes or research projects with professors who are at the forefront of their fields.

Suggestion: Pay attention to which schools on your list will offer the most in cutting-edge technology or research. Review the background of some of the professional staff to see what kind of work they are doing. Sign up for courses on planning and resource management that involve time, money, people and systems.

- Step back from your planning so as to have a bit of a breather and then initiate a final review before submission of the plan.
- Be careful not to divert your attention from your goals by taking on too many unrelated activities.
- When planning, set a reasonable date for completion; structure your activities to meet the deadline and adhere to your deadline; remember that no plan is absolutely perfect and there will always be a need to make changes as the plan is put into effect.
- Read "Douglas McGregor Revisited: Managing the Human Side of the Enterprise" by Gary Heil, Warren Bennis and Deborah C. Stephens.
- Read "People Skills" by Robert Bolton.
- Read "The Art of the Long View" by Peter Schwartz.