

# Deliberative

People who are especially talented in the Deliberative theme are best described by the serious care they take in making decisions or choices. They anticipate the obstacles.



## General Academic Life Tips

- 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 counselors to be well aware of your options and to make sure you are on track.
- When you receive a class syllabus, highlight the due dates of readings, assignments, papers, and tests. You may feel more comfortable knowing everything that will be required of you.
- Always be well prepared for class. You will feel more comfortable and confident talking in class when you are sure of the validity of what you have to say and the completeness of your thoughts.
- When taking a test, go through the questions slowly, concentrating on the ones you are more sure of first. Address the others later so that you have time to complete the exam.



## Extracurricular Activities

- Look carefully at the many organizations or clubs that you might join to pinpoint those that pique your interest. Attend a couple of meetings to narrow down to one or two that seem to fit you best.
- 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.
- Look for job opportunities and internships in which you will be recognized for your seriousness and your ability to raise questions about decisions that are made.



## Career Development Tips

- Collect as much information as you can about the careers that interest you. Search occupational handbooks, lists in occupational guides, and online sources. Take the time to think things through, possibly listing the pros and cons of careers that interest you.
- Environments in which you can independently conduct thorough analysis are likely to help you be most effective.
- You likely are a good questioner of actions, helping others to think through their decisions before moving ahead too quickly.
- You tend to be a private person, so environments where people are known for being discreet and trustworthy will likely bring out your best. Environments that expect a lot of socializing or interpersonal interaction or that demand persuasion or selling will not be as comfortable for you.
- Explore the roles of risk analysts, financial officers, judges, and others whose work benefits from careful thinking and deliberation.