

Benefits of Time Management

- 1. Stress relief
- 2. More time
- 3. More opportunities
- 4. Ability to realize goals



- 1. Planning ahead
- 2. Make a Weekly Schedule
- 3. Set Daily Goals



1. Planning ahead

- (a) Write down one or two goals in each area of your academic work.
- Dissertation finish draft of chapter 2 and send out for comments.
- Publishing draft lit review for paper with JR and PC.
- Professional Development submit abstract for conference.
- Teaching prepare new activity for math section.
- Connections email scholar in my field with questions about their research.

1. Planning ahead

- (b) With those goals in mind, determine when, how, and whether you can accomplish them during this time period.
- a monthly calendar to map out deadlines and requirements for the semester
- use an electronic color-coded calendar to map out the semester similarly or to map out one month.
- With the firm dates mapped out, take each goal you have identified, break it down into steps, and schedule those steps on your calendar.

1. Planning ahead

(c) Recognize that there are things that you can and cannot control.

2. Make a Weekly Schedule

- Start with a blank Weekly Schedule that is broken into hour-long (or 30-minute) blocks.
- ➤ Be sure to include all the things you need to do in a given day, not just your work.
- ➤ Test your schedule out for a week and pay attention to how often you deviate.
- Create a schedule for the next week that makes appropriate adjustments to support more reasonable expectations.

3. Set Daily Goals

- Using your Weekly Schedule, decide what you are going to do during the blocks of time you have mapped out.
- Make the tasks on your to-do list achievable goals for the day.
- ➤ If there are things that you did not get done, take a moment to reflect on why you did not get them done.
- ➤ If you are procrastinating on something important but not urgent, make one discrete task non-negotiable.

Implications of Poor Time Management

- 1. Poor workflow
- 2. Wasted time
- 3. Loss of control
- 4. Poor quality of work
- 5. Poor reputation



Summary

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