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**Essay Question: Do you anticipate making changes to your study habits as the semester unfolds? If so, what will you do and why will you do it? If not, explain why not.**

Contrary to my mom’s belief, I had various feelings about beginning college. Nonetheless, I was still very excited, but at the same time a little sad that I will be spilt up from people I have been attending school with since I was a little kid. Now I don’t have those friends to influence me to not study or not do my homework, I plan to change my study habits. I know that just reading my notes right before a test or trying to just wing a quiz or test, is not going to get me through college. Those mentalities may have gotten me through high school but to pass college I am going to have to change the way I study. To do so, I will use most of my free time used to study, will be creating a schedule to manage my time, last not procrastinating.

As the semester beings, I plan to study at least once a day, so that I will not be cramming all my studies in before the day of the test or quiz, like I did in high school. In Context of studying, I would much rather study at school, before or after class preferable so that I would not have to spend much time at home studying so I can spend the time that I have with my family. When I’ve tried to study at home I’ve never had any success, there is always something going on whether it be my sister watching television or my dogs barking at the whole neighborhood. Hence, to rid all the failure that can come from college I will do all my studying at school, so I don’t have any distractions on the Homefront.

Next, creating a schedule is a key so that my time does not go to waste. I believe that should set a time and place to study either with some friends or just by myself, so my time in the day does not go to waste. I have five classes this semester, so that means I should be able to study one class a day. That being said if I have a test or quiz for a certain class on this day, I should keep a flexible schedule, so that I won’t have to study for a class that doesn’t have anything due on the next day. I think that the schedule will be the most integral part of me succeeding or failing this semester.

Third, any student’s nightmare, the thought of completing an assignment on time, in other words procrastination. Time is very valuable so once it is wasted there’s not getting it back. So that being said, when I’m sitting in class our studying on campus, my train of thought can go to random places. So in order for me to have success I need to cut out all of the excess thinking about other things out unless it is on the particular subject.

Hence, completing my first and hopeful many more college semesters is going to have be done with a new study technique. Studying on my own or free time is going to be tough but it must be done, also creating a schedule as well with help me studying for class on each day but I must keep my schedule flexible, last and my biggest obstacle procrastination I need to keep my schedule up so that my time does not go to waste. All those things are easily achievable and are key in becoming a college graduate at ODU.