

Student Counselling Office (Zentrale Studienberatung)

Keeping a diary of your week

The first and most important step towards self-management involves being aware of your habits and how you use your time – we can only have control over things we know are happening. Have a go at keeping a diary of how you spend your time over the next few weeks.

This isn't always a nice task to do – it can be quite uncomfortable if you find you haven't kept to the schedule you've set yourself. But it isn't about giving yourself a hard time. You should try and see your weekly diaries as necessary and useful information to yourself, rather than as monitoring yourself. Be as honest with yourself as possible – after all, nobody else is going to see it 😊 (unless you want them to).

Here's an example diary.

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Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday			
7:00-8:00	Slept	Slept	Up, breakfast, travel time	Slept	Up, breakfast, travel time	Slept in	Slept			
8:00-9:00		Up, breakfast, travel time	Job	Up	Lecture in main subject		Met study group	Up, breakfast, travel time		
9:00-10:00		Lecture in first additional subject		Travel time, prepared for lecture				Did required reading, chatted to friends		
10:00-11:00	Up, breakfast, washed up		Lunch	Lecture in second additional subject	Lunch	Swimming, travel time	Travel time			
11:00-12:00		Reviewed lecture notes		Prepared for seminar, chatted to other students				Travel time, played on phone	Preparation for lab	Lunch
12:00-13:00	Talked on phone, travel time	Job	Seminar in first additional subject	Job	Lab	Revision	Watched series I enjoy			
13:00-14:00	Job in my department							Travel time, shopping	Had a nap	Went out with friends
14:00-15:00			Exercise					Dinner		
15:00-16:00	Travel time, dinner	TV, dinner	Did my washing, surfed the internet	Revision	Facebook	Replied to emails				
16:00-17:00							Travel time, showered	Watched series I enjoy	Revision	Met up with friends
17:00-18:00	Revision	Facebook	Revision	Met up with friends	Revision					
18:00-19:00						Travel time, dinner	Facebook	Revision	Met up with friends	Revision
19:00-20:00	Revision	Facebook	Revision	Met up with friends	Revision					
20:00-21:00	Facebook					Facebook	Revision	Met up with friends	Revision	
21:00-22:00	Facebook	Facebook	Revision	Met up with friends	Revision					

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Weekly diary for week beginning and ending

Datum							
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