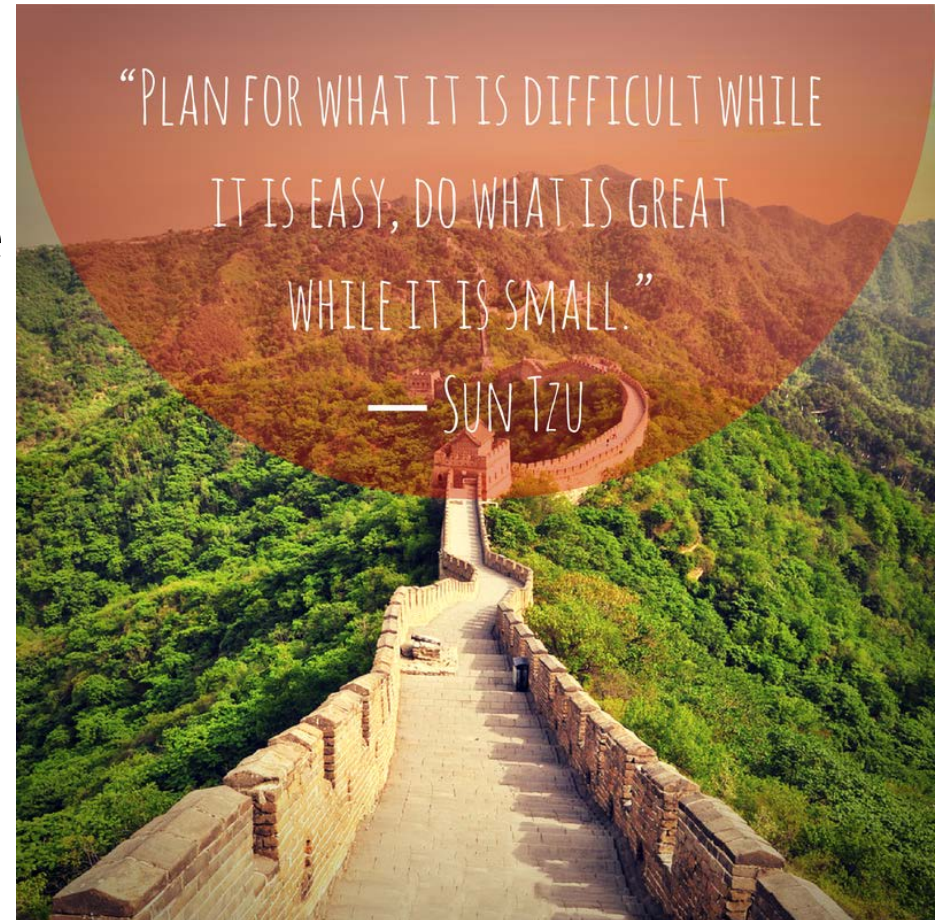


PLANNING FOR PTA SCHOOL

**Planning –
academic life**

**Planning –
financial life**



PLANNING – ACADEMIC LIFE

Time management

Weekly and monthly schedules

Map out commitments

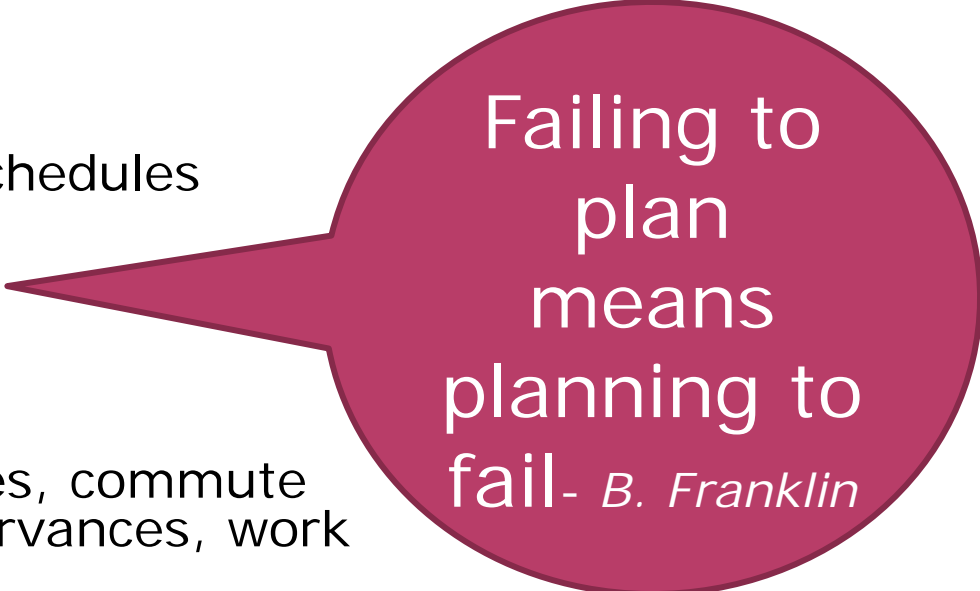
Firm commitments

EXAMPLES – class times, commute times, exercise, religious observances, work time


Occasional commitments

Examples – holidays, birthdays, infrequent events that you commit to

Semester commitments: write in exams, quizzes, papers, projects, reading assignments



Failing to plan means planning to fail- *B. Franklin*



Do you need help with this?
Dr. Deborah Johnson
240-567-5553

PLANNING – ACADEMIC LIFE

“If you don't know where
you are going, you'll
end up someplace else.”

– Yogi Berra



Develop a study plan

2 parts:

Preparation

Routine (daily &
weekly)

Occasional

Review

Routine (daily &
weekly)

Occasional

PLANNING – ACADEMIC LIFE

Commit to your plan
and execute. Don't
give yourself excuses
to ignore your plan.

*“A goal without a plan is just a wish.”
— Antoine de Saint-Exupéry*



PLANNING – ACADEMIC LIFE

Hearing from the experts – what successful students say

“This program is harder than you think. If you don’t have to work full time, don’t.”

“Take advantage of open labs.”

“Reach out to your friends, family, and classmates. No one gets through this program by themselves.”

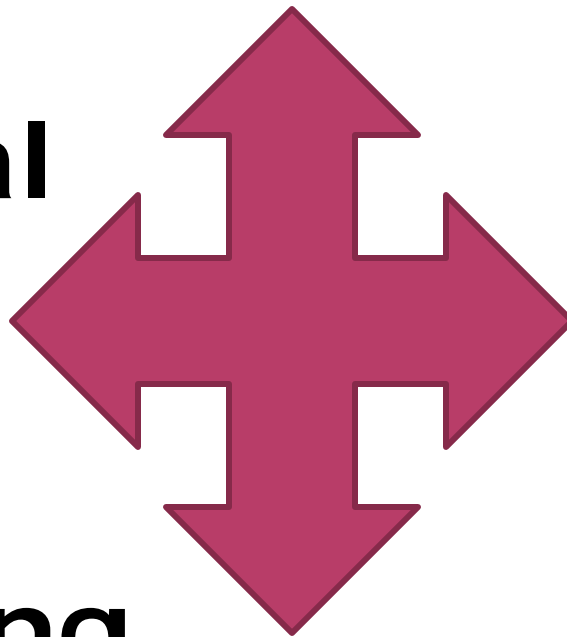
PLANNING – FINANCIAL LIFE

**Financial
aid**

Working

Budgeting

Resources



PLANNING – FINANCIAL LIFE

FINANCIAL AID

Montgomery College Office of Financial Aid

@Takoma Park Silver Spring Campus

Student Services Building – Room 233

On the web:

<http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/edu/tuition.aspx?urlid=10>

Advice from the Financial Aid Office: File a FAFSA, you may qualify for programs that you did not know about! Also if opportunities come up, you have one on file.

The Maryland Manpower Shortage Grant – Benefit is in county tuition, even though you live outside of Montgomery County: Some years, some programs

Must complete qualifying **form** EACH semester

PLANNING – FINANCIAL LIFE BUDGETING

Questions to answer:

What is cost of attendance – tuition and fees

Can your family contribute to your expenses

Can you track your earnings and spending

Repayment of prior loans (eg. from my prior degree)

The financial aid office has cost of attendance identified by tuition and fees.

<http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/EDU/Department2.aspx?id=20126>

Health Sciences – higher costs associated with unique education and training

PLANNING – FINANCIAL LIFE

COSTS UNIQUE TO PTA PROGRAM

Books

For planning purposes, \$
500 per semester

Faculty try to use the same
books in multiple semesters

Student Membership in APTA (\$80 per year)

CPR certification / re- certification

Clinical Education

Health Physical and immunization records
\$\$ will vary – use you own insurance
first, lower cost options at University of
Maryland Student Health

Criminal Background check and
Drug/alcohol screening \$\$ fee to
Castlebranch (\$ 100 per year)

PPD, flu shots – generally offered once
each semester at Health Sciences

Health Insurance – required for Clinical
Internships – Also required by law - ACA

Trajecsys system access – required for
Clinical Internships (\$ 100 per internship)

Uniforms (if required)

Commute to site, parking, lunch

PLANNING – FINANCIAL LIFE

Costs associated with Board Exam and first professional licensure

Study Guide – provided free from PTA Program

Additional study guides (\$ 75 – 120) and FSBPT PEAT (\$ 90 for 60 day subscription)

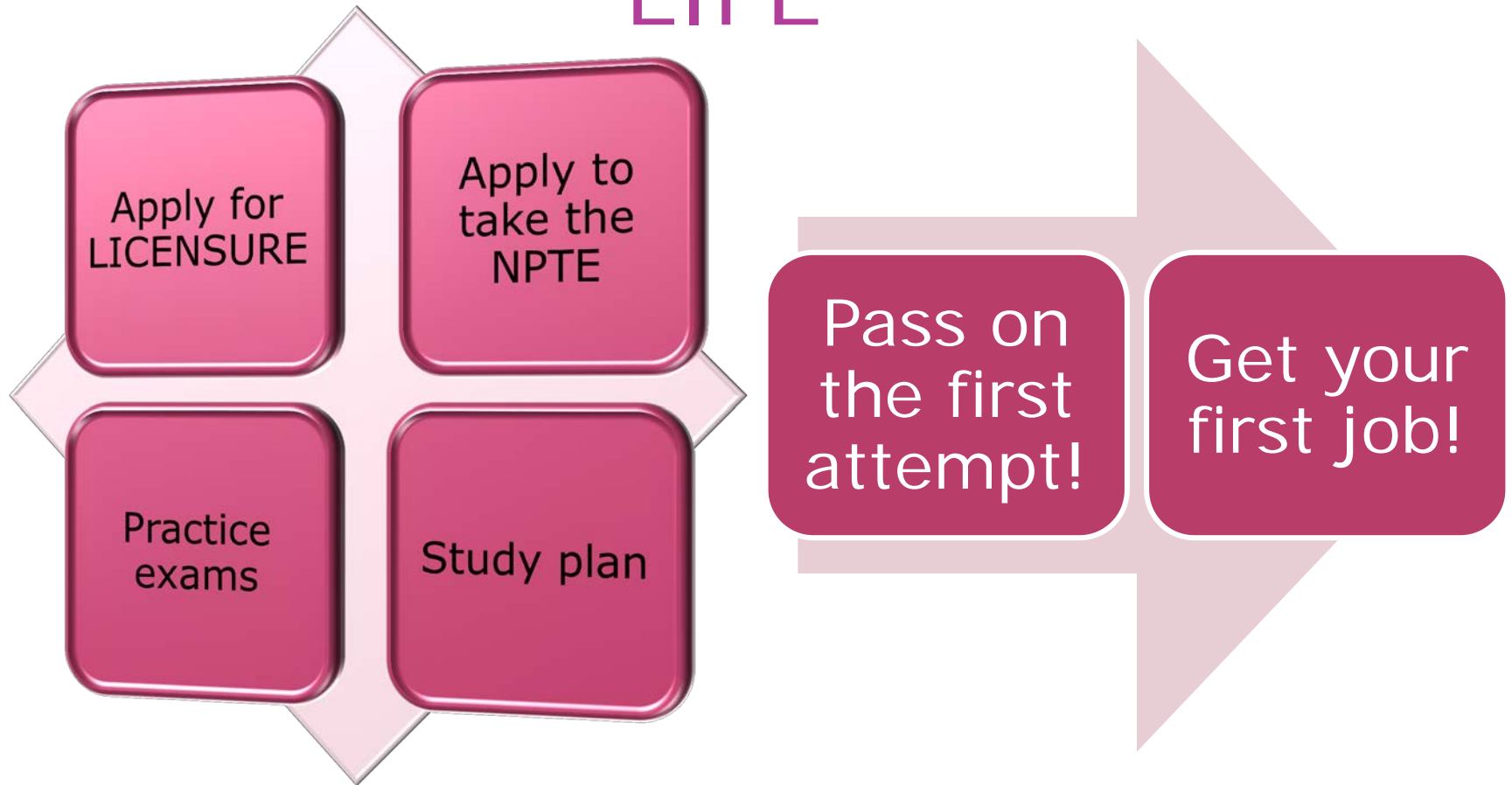
Application for NPTE (\$ 375 – test is given 4 times per year and you must get authorization to test from the state or jurisdiction)

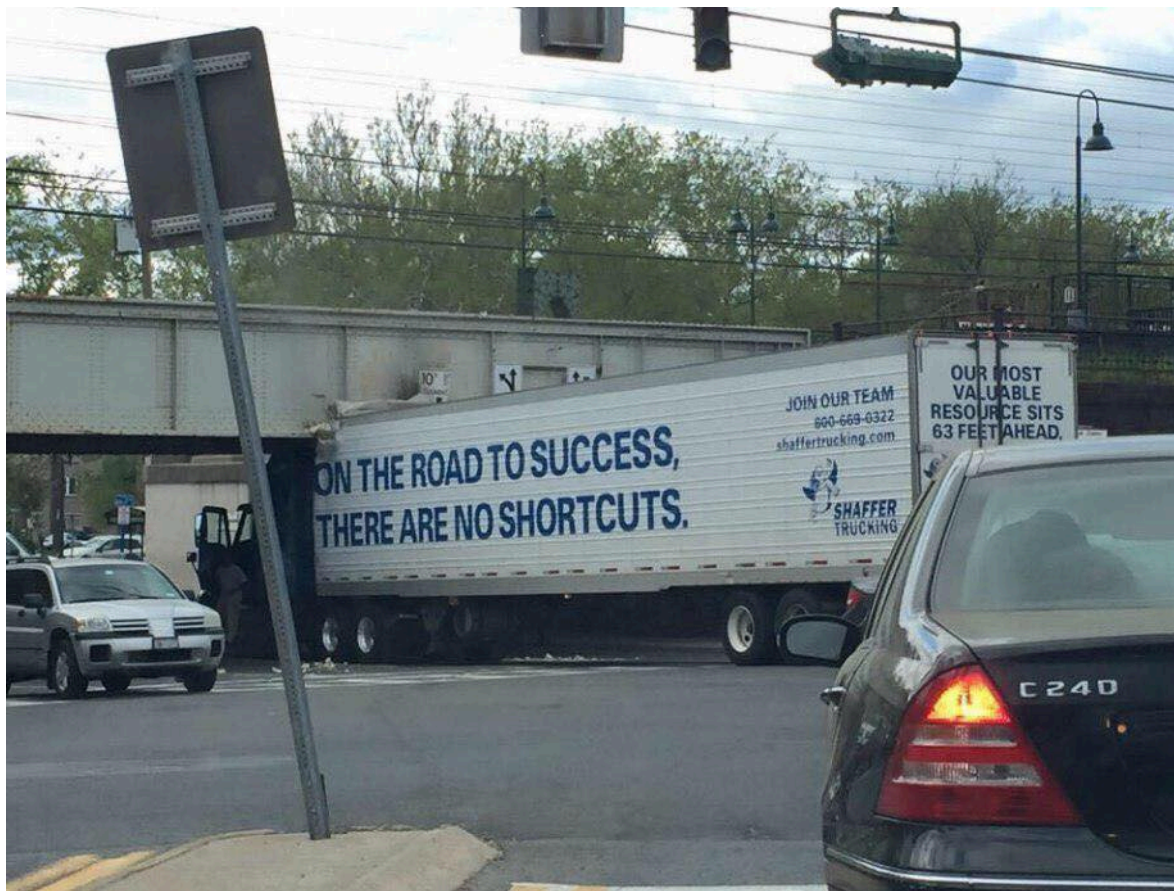
Application for State or Jurisdiction (\$ 300 or more)

will also have to pay for fingerprinting, notary fee, postage.

Some jurisdictions have a separate Jurisprudence exam

YOUR TRANSITION FROM SCHOOL TO PROFESSIONAL LIFE





Successful students tell us that you get out of this program what you put into it.

Planning – financial and study – is your key to giving yourself what you need to be successful.