Roadblocks and Pathways to stay motivated



You as Students come to college with a dream of making a better future for themselves. What is your dream? Place a checkmark next to any item that could be a roadblock for staying motivated to your success in college.

Too much work	Family obligations	Lack of study skills
Financial difficulties	Social life	$_{ extstyle J}$ Using time wisely
Lack of confidence	_√Computer games	Speaking in class
Difficulty with reading	_√_Social media	Negative thinking
Difficulty with writing	$_{ extstyle \sqrt{ extstyle L}}$ Phone use and texting	Lack of motivation
_√_Difficulty with math	Lack of career goals	Learning disabilities
_√_Difficulty with tests	Dislike of homework	_√_Lack of persistence
Difficulty with memory	Dislike of school	Health problems

List any other roadblocks in addition to the items checked above:

- 1. **Attitude-related issues:** Dislike of homework, dislike of school
- 2. Career-related concerns: Lack of career goals
- 3. **Health and learning challenges:** Health problems, learning disabilities
- 4. Communication challenges: Speaking in class

What are your top three roadblocks?

- 1. **Lack of planning skills:** I haven't developed effective planning strategies, making it hard to juggle multiple deadlines and commitments.
- 2. Social media and phone use: I find myself constantly checking my phone and scrolling through social media. It's hard to resist the urge to see what's happening online, even when I should be studying. This habit is eating into my productive time and making it difficult to concentrate on my coursework.
- 3. <u>Difficulty with tests</u>: I often feel anxious before and during exams. I struggle to retain information when I'm stressed, This is affecting my grades and making me doubt my abilities, which is stressful and demotivating.

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Skimming through the contents in motivation theories and find ideas that will help you overcome any roadblocks to your success. List 5 factors from this topic that can help you to be successful in college.

1. Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs:

- Social support: Cultivating a network of peers, mentors, and study groups for encouragement and accountability
- 2. Herzberg's Two-Factor Theory:
- Intrinsic motivation: Focusing on personal growth and learning rather than just grades
- 3. Self-Efficacy Theory:
- Self-efficacy: Building confidence in your abilities through small successes and positive self-talk
- 4. Reinforcement Theory:
- Time management: Developing effective scheduling and prioritization skills
- 5. Goal-Setting Theory:
- Goal setting: Establishing clear, specific, and achievable short-term and long-term goals

What are other resources that can help you to overcome your roadblocks? (tutoring, financial aid, advising, family support)

• Peer mentoring programs: To connect with experienced students for guidance and support