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Letter to My Younger Self

Dear Andrew Griess,

I am writing to you from the future, just a few days before you graduate from UNO to give you a few tips and tricks I wish I learned before I got here.

- 1. Sit in the front row. I sat in the front row of every class, not because I could not see, but because I wanted to make sure that every instructor knew my name.
- 2. You don't have to be bad at something. When I first came to college, I thought I could be good at either math and science or English and literature. This is simply not true. You can be good at both.
- 3. The professor, not the subject, decide how hard your class will be. So put some effort into researching the instructors ahead of time.
- 4. Put in more effort than everyone else. Put more effort into homework, put more effort into emails. Put more effort into clubs. Put more effort into everything.
- 5. Make friends in other majors. Everyone has something to teach you.

Now, seize the future you want. The only one stopping you is yourself.

- Drew Griess