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Throughout my college life in City Tech I have experienced a lot. I had to find out the hard way what it means to be a college student. There are a lot of things I wished someone would have told me beforehand. Being in the graphic design program there are a lot of things we learn along the way. But then again that is for any program in city tech. The typical first semester for a new student seems to be the same across the board. Procrastination, Senior fever, high school mentality, and laziness are the words that come to my head when I think about my first year as a College student. We all think the same and act the same. My first semester in City Tech was my worst. I wasn't focused on my career nor was I serious about anything going on in class. I cared more about parting and hanging out than anything else. My advice for new college students and their first semester has to be FOCUS. Being focused and understanding that your first semester is important is key to future success.

As a future professional, I believe that the best ways to move forward has to be friendliness. Being able to be out going with people is important. Talking to fellow classmates and starting up conversations is important. Get to know your teachers and your advisor can help you a lot when you are in trouble or stuck in difficult situations. Everyone you meet might be someone who can help you get a internship, or knows someone who can help you if you need

help when you are stuck. Being friendly and outgoing, offering a helping hand these are all things everyone should do. It makes college life more fun.

In order to get acquainted with college life, I feel that new students should look around at flyers. Every floor in city tech contains some sort of college function, party or club gathering. These are important to us because these resources make college life more entertaining. Students should make it of great importance to join a club. Joining clubs makes it easier to make friends. It helps relieve stress from everyday school life. Helping professors out in your field will also get you great recommendations and help you get known in your department.

Other important resources to students would have to be the library and the tutoring center. These resources will help every student in college in more ways they can imagine. Throughout all their time in college both the library and the tutoring center will make college life easier. Being able to borrow text books for free and not have to pay \$100 plus for a textbook you are never going to use again is a great help. If you are not understanding something in your class, or not being good at a subject, the tutoring center will help you out a lot as well.

Being a college student can be difficult. But being able to understand your college can help in more ways than one. Interacting with peers and participating in school activities, can help you relieve a lot of stress. College life is how you make it.