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In order to be in a position to successfully complete the MSN online program at Walden University, there is a need for an individual to equip themselves with various tools and strategies that are essential in promoting an effective learning process. I have identified a number of skills that will be useful in the pursuit of the MSN program and in achieving success in the nursing practice. This post highlights the approach that I will take for my studies on this program based on the resources that will be used to improve myself both academically and professionally.

The three academic resources and strategies that I will apply to my MSN program include planning tools, test-taking skills, and self-assessment. There is a need to make use of various planning tools that will help in the coordination of various activities involved in this course. One of the planning tools that I will use is a time table. I have created a timetable based on the various activities that are involved in this course. This will enable me to be in a position to effectively take care of all the activities that are involved (Rudestam, 2012). The other strategy that I am working on is my test-taking skills. Most online courses involve a lot of online assessments and therefore, I am currently doing practice on the internet to improve my test-taking skills. The other strategy that I am also working on is my self-assessment skills. I am planning to use additional tests and assessments to test my ability to remember and master skills acquired by studying this course.

I have identified three professional resources and strategies that will be very useful. They include communication skills, time management, and self-motivation. There is a need to have effective communication skills since most of the time, I will be required to use written communication to communicate with the instructor, the faculty, and fellow classmates. I intend to be use language that is clear and to always provide genuine feedback. On the other hand, I also

intend to make use of time management skills by ensuring that I appropriately use the time I have allocated for this course in my time table. Lastly, I am also working on ways to develop self-drive and motivation. Online learning requires an individual to have a great sense of drive. Therefore, I intend to always interact actively with my classmates, which will create a personal drive and motivation. I believe that the three professional skills that I have identified will not only be useful in learning but also in the success of the nursing practice.

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