

Module 4.5: Choosing a Daily Task Management System

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Some students prefer paper-based task management systems, while others prefer to use technology to manage daily tasks. Consider the following advantages and disadvantages of systems you might choose.

System	Advantages	Disadvantages
Paper Planner	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• User is not required to learn new technology• Eliminates possible distraction with apps• Flexible and adaptable user preferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Difficult to share tasks with team members in group projects• May require time to create effective calendar and task list layouts
Online Calendar (e.g. Outlook Calendar, Google Calendar)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tasks and other life commitments are integrated in a single view• Information is easily viewable on multiple devices• Easy to schedule meetings with team members or share events	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be difficult to integrate smaller tasks into a work plan• May be difficult to move incomplete tasks to a new timeslot on a later date
Time Management app (e.g. Wunderlist, Remember the Milk, Microsoft-To-Do)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information can view viewed on multiple devices• Most apps allow project lists to be shared between team members• Easy to integrate small takes into the daily task lists• Easy to mark tasks complete• Incomplete task scan be rescheduled simply	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May require time to learn the platform• Apps may become obsolete• Some apps require payment