

Pros and Cons Exercise

(from Yost & Corbishley, 1987)

Career Option		
	Pros	Cons
Short Term		
Long Term		

1. Create a separate Pros and Cons Table for each career option under consideration. At the top of each table, write the career option being considered in that table.

2. Determine appropriate time limits for short-term and long-term. For example, you may decide that short-term means “within the first 5 years after graduating with your Ph.D.” and long-term means “by your fiftieth birthday.”

3. Fill in each quadrant with a list of the advantages or disadvantages to be achieved in the short- or long-term. Try to list something in every quadrant.