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**Decision: Go on exchange?**

- **Yes**:
  - +adventure (40)
  - +int' skills (20)
  - -cost money (50)
  - -low GPA (70)
  - -lack legal exp (50)
  - TOTAL –110
  - Uncertainty: Get in to law school?
    - **Yes (40%)**:
      - +got into law (100)
      - +adventure (40)
      - +int’ skills (20)
      - -cost money (30)
      - TOTAL 130 x 20% = 26
    - **No (80%)**:
      - -need new plan to law, or new career (70)
      - -regret about going (20)
      - TOTAL –80 x 80% = -64
  - **No (60%)**:
    - +more exp in legal clinic and clubs (50)
    - +Boost GPA (70)
    - +save money (50)
    - -less exciting (30)
    - -less learning about self and world (10)
    - TOTAL 80 x 40% = 32
  - **Outcomes**:
    - +got exp (20), + GPA (40)
    - -regret about missing adventure (30)
    - -need to figure plan to law, or new career (70)
    - TOTAL –40 x 60% = -24

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**TOTAL FOR BRANCH**

- **Yes (20%)**: 26 - 64 = -38
- **No (80%)**: 32 - 24 = +8

**OUTCOMES**

- +got into law (100)
- +adventure (40)
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**SIMPLE DECISION TREE SAMPLE**

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**Decision:**
Go on exchange?

- **Yes**
  - Uncertainty: Get in to law school?
    - Yes (Low %)
      - OUTCOMES
        - Got into law AND adventure—the best of both worlds!
    - No (High %)
      - OUTCOMES
        - Got to adventure but regret not getting into law. Back to the career drawing board for plans...

- **No**
  - Uncertainty: Get in to law school?
    - Yes (Medium %)
      - OUTCOMES
        - Got into law, but will always wonder what if I had taken the chance...
    - No (Medium %)
      - OUTCOMES
        - Played it safe and still didn’t get in. Feeling discouraged and lost for direction. Should I just keep trying or go for something else?