Top 10 Tips for Successful Students



Best Study Practices

- 1. Read assigned texts/handouts
- 2. Don't procrastinate
- 3. Pay attention to the organization of the text
- 4. Highlight key points/terms in text as you read
- 5. Review often!
- 6. Study with a study group
- 7. Get help before it's too late
- 8. Do homework assignments
- 9. Make an outline or take notes of your reading
- 10. Set aside a quiet place to study with few distractions

Best Ways to Study for a Test

- 1. Review notes
- 2. Reorganize notes
- 3. Review text summaries and highlighted points
- 4. Get together with study partners (choose ones who are serious about succeeding)
- 5. Complete study guides and/or practice tests
- 6. Ask questions you are unclear on before the exam/understand what is being tested
- 7. Don't procrastinate
- 8. Read assigned texts/handouts
- 9. Make note cards
- 10. Eat well and get enough sleep

Best Things to Do in Class to Succeed

- 1. Ask questions and participate
- 2. Take notes that you can understand
- 3. Attend class
- 4. Pay attention (turn off cell phone)
- 5. Come prepared
- 6. Sit where you can see and hear the instructor
- 7. Tell instructor if you are having trouble with the way he/she is teaching
- 8. Get to know the instructor (go to office hours)
- 9. Read applicable text before class so you know what to expect
- 10. Eat well and get enough sleep

Best Resources to Help You Succeed

- 1. Instructor
- 2. Study partner for each subject (choose successful students)
- 3. Tutor
- 4. Library
- 5. Student Success Center
- 6. Teaching Assistants
- 7. Study Group
- 8. You be proactive
- 9. Professionals in the subject
- 10. Select internet resources

Common Mistakes Students Make

- 1. Not attending class
- 2. Not taking responsibility for themselves
- 3. Procrastinating
- 4. Not asking questions when something is unclear
- 5. Not spending enough time studying (for every 1 hr in class, should study 2-3 hours outside of class)
- 6. Not getting help soon enough
- 7. Not taking notes
- Not answering questions fully on homework and tests
- Not completing assignments and being up-to-date on material
- 10. Being passive

Strategies for You

Best Practices

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Study for Test

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In Class

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Resources

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