Student Success Tips

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Some Tips For Academic Success

- Keep track of your grades in your courses.
- At any point in the semester you should know your grade in each class.
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* Prioritize and organize your study and personal time.

* Maintain regular study hours.

* Establish a study environment that allows you to stay focused.

Strategies to Use After You Read

Or, how do I know what I know?

You are not done reading just because you hit the end of the chapter. The only way to make sure you learn the material is to actively engage with it and test yourself.

Quiz yourself!

1. Answer all the questions you posed as part of your pre-reading.
2. Write summaries without looking at text.
3. Ask general questions. What is the main idea? How does this chapter relate to others? How does the reading relate to the lectures?
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* Develop a network of resources – make a list of your:
  * Professors
  * Advisors
  * Tutors
  * At least one other student in each class
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- Mark your calendar with important dates and deadlines:
- Academic dates – Registrar’s academic calendar
- Deadlines and due dates from each syllabus
- Develop weekly and semester due dates time lines for course assignments
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- Review the specific deadlines, policies and procedures relating to your academic status, course withdrawal, course repeats, policies within your major.
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* Visit your professors during office hours

* Come prepared with specific questions/concerns

* Ask for help identifying areas in which you can improve or should focus on
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* Be sure to review your Academic Analysis (WESS) and discuss with your faculty advisor.

* Meet with your faculty advisor regularly. Discuss major requirements, course sequencing, academic planning/graduation date.