

Study Skills Canvas Course

Videos Used-

Learning Styles- <https://youtu.be/I39LPOYfE5c>

How to Study for Your Learning Style- <https://youtu.be/RMZDiJRdh90>

Student Success- Time Management- <https://youtu.be/rUO8Qvcs7cY>

Time Management Tips// How to get organized- <https://youtu.be/g1ibzxwhyCM>

Why Read?- <https://youtu.be/F20TO7z5Rzc>

Note Taking During Class- <https://youtu.be/UAhRf3U50IM>

How to Take Notes in Class- <https://youtu.be/AffuwyJZTQQ>

How Does your Memory Work- <https://youtu.be/TUoJc0NPajQ>

5 Secrets of a Straight A Student- <https://youtu.be/fCrj8rspfTs>

10 Study Tips for Earning an A on Your Next Exam- <https://youtu.be/jYWfiP7w5w0>

Website Resources-

www.khanacademy.org -you can use the “learn” link at the top, don't forget that you can link your Khan Academy account with your College Board account to get free tutoring for the PSAT and the SAT

<http://www.wolframalpha.com> - another great site dedicated to showing different ways to learn specific topics, especially good for math

<http://www.purplemath.com>- for math

<http://faculty.bucks.edu/specpop/Cornl-ex.htm>- note taking information

<http://citationmachine.net/index2.php> - for citations when writing

<http://prezi.com> - a different way to create presentations, but could be used for notes

<http://byteback.org/students/typing/> - learn how to type

Journal Topics with Follow Up Questions-

- 1- What led you to take this course? What do you expect to get out of this course? How much time do you intend to use each day learning how to learn? Follow up in the next module- In the introduction module, you were asked to answer some questions in a journal. One of those questions was, how much time do you intend to devote towards this course? How did you respond to that question? How will you hold yourself accountable to that?
- 2- How would you describe your learning style? What are your strengths? Follow up in the next module- How have you been able to use your learning style?
- 3- Take an inventory of your use of time for one week. Log what you are doing every 30 minutes, or for more detail, log your time every 15 minutes. What are you doing the most? Are there things that you can change to maximize your use of time? Where will you do your school work?

- Is it organized and distraction free? How can you improve it? Follow up in the next module-
How did you use the data you collected to change your time management habits?
- 4- What keeps you from reading? What do you dislike most about it? What do you read for fun? Follow up in the next module- What did you say kept you from reading? How can you change that?
 - 5- How do you take notes now? How will you change your note taking habits? Follow up in the next module- How did your new method of note taking work out? What will you continue to do and what did you decide to change?
 - 6- How can you alter your study plans to include these ideas about memory? What was the most important thing you learned in this module? Follow up in the next module- What did you change to help increase your memory?

Other Resources-

1. Assignment Sheet- an excel spreadsheet with these headers Date/ Class/ Assignment/ Due Date/ Supplies needed/ Major Grade?/ Done?
2. Use Naviance for the Strengths Explorer, Learning Style Inventory, and MI Advantage
3. Concentration Exercises
4. Power Points-
 - a. Get Organized and Be On Time- <https://goo.gl/9orarj>
 - b. Reading- <https://goo.gl/K1YZAg>
 - c. Note Taking- <https://goo.gl/cnR6pa>
 - d. Putting it All Together Test Wise- <https://goo.gl/Yfzoza>

General Outline of Modules

1. Introduction
 - a. Introduction- This course is designed for students to learn how to study. Students are encouraged to explore different ways that help them grasp and retain information. One thing is certain, we all have different strengths and weaknesses! This course is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to study skills and we hope that you will continue to learn more about how you learn! We will go over 6 different modules- Know yourself, Get organized and be on time, Read it, Take some notes, Memory, and Test wise. This course is not "for a grade". There are no real quizzes and there are no right/wrong answers. Students are simply asked to be respectful of others in this online course and to share things that are working for them. Please remember that you will get from this course what you put into it.
 - b. Webpages
 - c. Journaling- Self reflection is an important part of study skills. We encourage you to take time each day to think about things that are working for you and things that are not! You will be asked to keep a journal and respond to the prompts for reflection later. Students will be asked to participate in online discussions, but they are not required to do so. Please be aware that other students will be able to view your responses and refer to the permission slip you signed to be in this course.
 - d. Journal 1
2. Know Yourself

- a. Go over Journal 1
 - b. Learning Styles video
 - c. Learning Styles testing
 - d. Using Learning Styles- Now that you know how you learn it is time to put that information to good use! When you sit down to study or to go over your course work your job is to translate that the material into YOUR study style! Here's some basic examples just using Auditory/Visual/Kinesthetic-
 - i. Visual learners- Draw things out as much as possible, interact with the text by underlining and highlighting or using sticky notes
 - ii. Auditory learners- Record yourself going over the notes and listen to them, participate in class discussions. Summarize reading out loud after finishing different sections.
 - iii. Kinesthetic learners- Walk around your room as you read, try squeezing a nerf ball as you read, trace the letters of important information as you read.
 - e. How to Study for Your Learning Style Video
 - f. Journal 2
3. Get Organized and Be on Time
- a. Journal follow up
 - b. Assignment Sheet
 - c. Get Organized power point
 - d. Student Success- Time Management video
 - e. Time Management Tips video
 - f. Journal 3
4. Read It
- a. Journal follow up
 - b. Why Ready video
 - c. Reading power point
 - d. Journal 4
5. Take Some Notes
- a. Journal follow up
 - b. Note taking during class video along with this script- There are several methods for note taking. For this course, I recommend the Cornell method and the use of graphic organizers (also called mind maps). During class it is vital that you can maximize your time actually listening! The best way to take notes is to read ahead and make notes that you bring with you to class. These notes can serve as a listening guide that help you key in on the speaker! This module has several videos with good advice about note taking. Pick the method that works best for you.
 - c. Note taking power point
 - d. How to Take Notes in Class video
 - e. Journal 5
6. Memory
- a. Journal follow up
 - b. How does your memory work video
 - c. Concentration Exercises <https://goo.gl/sMVnkF>

- d. 5 Secrets of a Straight A Student video
 - e. Journal 6
7. Test Wise
- a. Journal follow up
 - b. 10 Study Tips for Earning an A video
 - c. Putting it all Together Test Wise power point
 - d. Conclusion- Please feel free to review any modules. Remember that your teachers and counselors are also excellent resources! They can always help with suggestions about ways to improve your study habits. The biggest key to improving study skills is to maximize your study time by decreasing your distractions. Try just a few things for 3 weeks and see how you do! Then, evaluate what else you can change. You have take the first step just by doing this course!