



WHAT YOUR COLLEGE PROFESSOR EXPECTS FROM YOU

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Academic Success Office

BEFORE THE SEMESTER BEGINS, YOU SHOULD:

- Find your class meeting location ahead of time.
- Reserve dedicated time for studying for each of your classes.
- Make plans to be present for all tests, quizzes, and presentations.

FOR THE FIRST CLASS MEETING, YOU SHOULD:

- Arrive on time.
- Remember your professor's name. Find out if you should address them by Dr., Mr., or Ms.
- Know the title, number, and section of your course.

FOR THE SECOND CLASS MEETING, YOU SHOULD:

- Read the syllabus. Printing a hard copy of the syllabus to have with you during class will be helpful.
- Purchase the required books and supplies if you haven't already done so.
- Make a notebook or designate separate section in a loose-leaf notebook for class notes and handouts.
- Begin to read the text and/or other assignments.

DURING EVERY CLASS MEETING, YOU SHOULD:

- Be prepared for class discussion by having read your assignments.
- Follow the lecture and discussion, taking notes. Listen carefully. Be open to learning something new.
- Ask questions, offer or give examples, and ask for clarification if something is not understood
- Respect what other students have to say.

BEFORE EACH CLASS MEETING, YOU SHOULD:

- Read the assignment carefully from beginning to end.
- Give thought to things in the reading which were not understood, marking passages, circling words, underlining. Look up words to find out their meanings.
- Give thought to questions you want to ask in class.
- Relate what you read to personal experiences.

AFTER EVERY CLASS, YOU SHOULD:

- Review, organize, and complete your lecture notes while you can still remember what was discussed in class.
- Spend some time reflecting how the readings, lectures, and class discussions connect the important course topics together.