Study Strategies

Complete your reading assignments before class.
- Read the assignment to get a basic understanding of the topic.
- Write down any questions you have as you are reading so you can get those answered.

Attend class.
- Actively listen for answers to the questions you wrote down during your reading. Note the answers.
- Listen for cues from the instructor on important information

Take notes during class.
- There are several methods for note-taking. Use the method that works best for you.

Revisit the material.
- If there are any questions that didn’t get answered during class, go back through your notes and reading to find the answers. If you still are not sure, ask the instructor during office hours.
- Read over the notes after every lecture to help retain the information.

Do not get behind.
- Keep up with the readings and assignments.

Study in a place that is quiet and free from distractions.
- Research shows that studying in a place that will mimic the testing environment increases your chance of success.
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Make sure you are not hungry, tired, tense or in any other state of mind that will reduce your concentration. Clear your mind and relax.

Take breaks as needed whenever you feel overwhelmed or fatigued.

Do not try to study too much at one time. Break larger tasks into smaller sub-tasks to make it more manageable.

Study at a time of day that works best for you whether it be early morning, afternoon or late at night.

Make a study plan/schedule or outline of what you want to study to help provide structure and keep you on track.

Study with friends or classmates as another person may be able to help in the understanding of a difficult concept.

Go to tutoring.
  ♦ Tutoring is a free service available at KSU Geauga and Regional Academic Center.

Ask your instructor for clarification on the type of test you will be taking.
  ♦ Find out what material will be covered, the type of questions, number of questions, how much the exam is worth and the time allotted for the exam.

Reward yourself for studying.
  ♦ This came be something as simple as watch your favorite show on Netflix.

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