

## Study Tips for Online Learning 1 Transcript

- [00:00:00] Congratulations! You've registered for your first online course, and you're not sure what to expect.
- [00:00:06] It's true: online learning is a little bit different than what you may be used to. The study skills you will need to be a successful online learner are not quite the same as traditional face-to-face learning in a traditional classroom.
- [00:00:17] In a traditional class, your instructor will usually remind you when an assignment is due and will often review the expectations of your assignments. In a classroom, if you have a question, you can raise your hand, ask any question you might have, and get an immediate response.
- [00:00:32] But an online classroom is different in some important ways, and to be successful, you'll need to do things a little differently. Let's take a quick look at three things you should do to successfully manage your online course and stay motivated throughout the semester.
- [00:00:45] First, you should carefully read the course syllabus: it's full of great information. Many students, unfortunately, forget to read it and then wonder why they don't understand their assignments, course expectations, important due dates, and grading criteria.
- [00:00:59] At the beginning of each week, you should make it a habit to review the assignments that are due that week and any other activities that need to be completed and set reminders for yourself.
- [00:01:08] Second, successful students use a calendar to plan and manage their weekly study times. Remembering to study, participating in online discussions, and completing assignments for your online course can be challenging when you are juggling all the distractions of life. So make a plan, get organized, and schedule

all the time you will need to complete your online course requirements and then stick to your plan.

[00:01:32] And third, don't be a stranger to your online course. Log in to your course regularly, even daily if possible. This is another strategy successful online learners use. Logging in frequently is associated with higher grades. Consistent, frequent access to your course allows you to respond to important course announcements, review course expectations, and interact with classmates in discussion boards. If you do this consistently, you will build valuable connections with other students in the course and opportunities for cooperation and collaboration, and this will enrich your online learning experience.

[00:02:05] So, let's review. If you want to be a successful online learner, you'll carefully read the course syllabus and become familiar with all the course expectations including critical dates for assignments, quizzes, and tests. You'll schedule regular blocks of time on your calendar to study, read, and complete your assignments. And you'll make it a habit to regularly log in to your course to check for announcements, assignments, and discussion board posts.

[00:02:30] If you do these three things, you'll greatly increase your chances of doing well in your online course and having a positive online learning experience. Good luck!