EXCEL! Zone Study Skills Services

The EXCEL! Zone provides in-class extensions to support students’ time management, lecture note taking, reading comprehension, test preparation, learning styles and critical thinking techniques.

In-class extensions range from 15 minutes to 60 minutes based on the need of the instructor.

Study Skills Sessions Options:

1. **How to Get Ahead: Making Conscious Time Choices for Your Success**
   - Do you want to excel in balancing your school, work, and personal time? Learn how to leverage your current time management style (or make a new one) with simple prioritizing and time-blocking tools.

2. **Mission Impossible? Note Taking**
   - Ever find yourself saying, “Huh, what did the instructor say?” Note taking strategies are here to save the day! Learn how to use the Cornell note taking method to take effective notes from lecture to required course readings and turn those notes into the ultimate study guide.

3. **Reading Strategies that are Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!**
   - Reading strategies are the secret to successful learning and test preparation. Learn reading comprehension techniques that will help you read with purpose and remember what you read to strengthen your approach to studying!

4. **Don’t Cram for the Exam: Test Study Strategies**
   - Do you want to be more prepared for exams? Let’s not cram before an exam, learn how to prepare for an exam with study techniques to boost comprehension and strategize when and where to start studying.

5. **Using Your Learning Style as a GPS To Navigate Academic Barriers**
   - Do you want to maximize your academic success? Start navigating through your lectures, assignments, and projects by identifying your learning style and using study strategies that work best for you to learn successfully.

6. **Critical Thinking and What it Means to your Success**
   - Whether participating in class discussions, writing essays, or studying for exams, using critical thinking is a deliberative thought process to solve issues, consider different perspectives, and get a deeper understanding of your course’s content. Enhance your thinking ability by engaging reflectively and independently with interactive critical thinking techniques.