

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Weekly Newsletter

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You are in the Final Stretch!

As you return from the long weekend and the Thanksgiving Recess, the semester is coming to an end, and the final weeks can feel overwhelmingly rushed. To help you stay focused, and finish out the semester, we have put together a brief guide and check points for you.



Happy with your current grades and Routine? - MAINTAIN.

- Keep up with tutoring, study groups, and academic supports. Keep attending virtual workshops and events, and - If you have found a routine, stick with it. You're in the homestretch!



Do you have any outstanding assignments or projects?

- Check your syllabus for your professor's policies about missing work or ask them about it. If they accept missing or late work, develop a timetable and schedule of when to turn in assignments or quizzes- don't leave everything for the last week of classes!

Struggling with major course concepts?



This is more normal than you would think! Don't beat yourself up! Use this time to ask your faculty member for help in understanding important concepts before final exams and papers. Schedule a time to speak with a tutor virtually! Visit the Academic Achievement Virtual Center, or email to make an appointment:

<https://www.massbay.edu/academics/aac>

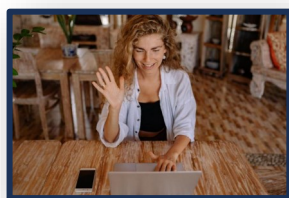
Incomplete Classes from Spring or Summer

- If you chose to take an incomplete in either a Spring 2020 or Summer Session course, remember that you need to complete the work for that class by the end of this semester, if not, your grade will automatically be converted to an F. This can have serious consequences on your transfer plans, academic progress, or even your ability to graduate. Check in with you professor for any incomplete classes and make sure you have a plan to convert them to passing, completed grades!



Prepare for Spring Classes

- If you have not already enrolled in spring classes, meet with your academic advisor to enroll! If you have, use this time to make sure that you're in your desired spring classes. If you withdrew or failed a course, do you need to change your schedule for the spring semester? If you're unsure, talk with your advisor about it! If this is your first semester, you must meet with one of the advisors on our COMPASS Advising Team, schedule a meeting with an advisor in [StudentTrac](#), or stop in to the Advising Drop-In Center for help scheduling a meeting.

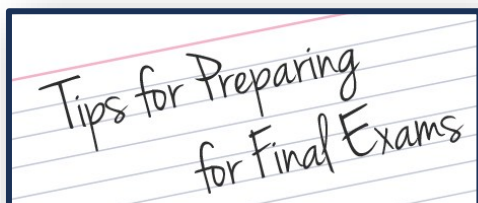


Attend Events and Opportunities

Keep an eye on the Weekly Events Calendar to see upcoming events to break up your day, and provide opportunities around career exploration, and finals stress busters.

Prepare for Final Exams

- Finals technically run from December 17th-December 23rd so you still have time to prepare!
- Create a schedule/study plan
 - Put all of the major due dates for assignments and exams into your calendar so you know when all major assignments are due.
 - Pay attention to when you are most productive- mornings, afternoons, evening etc.- and set aside time to review notes and assignments from earlier in the semester.
 - Prioritize! Know what exams/assignments will have the largest impact on your overall grade and spend your energy and efforts where they will have the biggest impact!
- Set Small Goals/Break Down Assignments
 - If you have a major research paper, writing assignment or studying for a cumulative exam looming in front of you, map out how to break it into smaller pieces over the next three weeks!
- Attend any Review Sessions or Study Groups!
 - If your professor is holding any virtual review sessions or check-ins before final exams- attend!! These sessions can be great times to ask questions and get clarifications about assignments or exams.



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