

# **IDEAS FOR IMPROVING YOUR GRADE POINT**

## **ATTITUDE**

1. Go to all your classes.
2. Before taking a class, research it.
3. Keep important textbooks as resources.
4. When you're having trouble with a course, seek help immediately.
5. Apply what you learn in one course to your other course work.
6. Know your core requirements. Learn the system. Read your catalog.
7. Visit your instructors at the beginning of each term.
8. Concentration involves attention, comprehension and retention.
9. Motivation is built on attitude and success. Set short-term goals. Reward effort.
10. Relaxation, exercise and thoughtful nutrition improve performance.

## **TIME MANAGEMENT**

1. Make a study plan for each course.
2. Schedule your study time (during the day).
3. Keep lists of things to do. Take time to plan and prioritize.
4. Utilize your free time between classes.
5. Treat your role as a student as a 40-hour-per-week job.
6. Review each of your subjects on a daily basis.
7. Preview your text prior to the lecture.
8. Look over class notes as soon as possible.
9. Short, frequent reviews of material are most effective for memory.
10. Do assignments as soon as possible.

## **TECHNIQUES**

1. Get to know your instructor.
2. Keep a copy of everything you turn in.
3. Have someone look over assignments before you turn them in.
4. Anticipate exam questions by actively listening in class.
5. Date your notes and keep them separate.
6. Study with others in small groups.
7. Dedicate a place to your studying.
8. Sit at the front of the classroom.
9. Take class notes on right-hand page. Write textbook notes on the left-hand page.
10. Use margin notes to supplement your reading instead of highlighting.
11. Know your learning style.