



DRD 368.2: College Success 2: Comprehension and Test Taking Strategies

(Section #0215)

Course Description

This course provides opportunities for students to explore and practice concentration, memory, reading strategies, test preparation and test-taking strategies. It also includes topics specific to disability related services and campus resources.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Employ effective strategies to optimize concentration, memory and reading comprehension.
2. Demonstrate effective preparation and test taking strategies.
3. Access appropriate disability related services and available campus resources.

Online Mode of Instruction

This course will be taught online through Canvas. There are weekly assignments in each module, as well as discussion forums, all of which have due dates. It will not be possible to complete this course early because there are discussion forums that require you to interact with your classmates.

Online Etiquette

The nature of an online course requires that you post and respond to your classmates in an online forum. Responses should always be respectful of others. All discussions should be kept on topic, the forums are not a place for side discussions nor for non-class related materials.

Technical Expertise

This course is conducted online. As a result, you are required to:

- Navigate Canvas
- Use the internet
- Participate in online discussion forums
- Utilize basic word processing

Technical Difficulties

If you are experiencing technical difficulties, please contact the instructor as soon as possible to inform. Here are helpful links for student and Canvas technical support:

[Student Help: Canvas](#)

[Canvas Student Guides](#)

Class Information

Monday 10/17/22 - Friday 12/9/22
Online via Canvas

Instructor Information

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[Zoom Office Hour Link](#)

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Course Assignments & Grading Policy

This class will use a points system to determine students' grades. Below is a list of the assignments for this class as well as the possible points for each. Homework assignments will be submit through Canvas text entry or file upload.

Graded Activity	Points Possible
Class Participation & Attendance	40
As participation is imperative to learning, and part of your grade, it is important that you participate in all required Canvas discussions and submit all assignments on time. For this course, participation will be required in the form of discussion forums. There will be weekly discussion posts that are worth 5 points each. You will be given points for participation in a forum. No participation in a particular forum will be considered an absence. You may not make up participation for missed forums. If you are ill or unable to complete your work on time, please contact me immediately. Any student with excessive missing discussion posts (10% or more of participation points) may be dropped from the class at any time without prior notification from the instructor.	
Assignments	30
Assignments will be submitted on Canvas. There will be assignments weekly. They are due by 11:59pm on their due date. Late work will be accepted through the last day of class and will receive no more than ½ credit.	
Quiz	10
There will be one "Create Your Own" Quiz. The quiz will be open note, untimed, and open for one week. Additional guidelines will be provided in Canvas.	
Final Exam	20
There will be one "Create Your Own" Final Exam. The final will be open note, untimed, and open for one week. Additional guidelines will be provided in Canvas.	
Extra Credit Opportunities	5
There will be a few different opportunities presented during class. A total of up to 5 points are possible.	
TOTAL	100

Of the total possible points earned, final course grading will be as follows:

A = 90-100%	
B = 80-89%	Credit (C or better) = 70-100%
C = 70-79%	No Credit = 0% - 69%
D = 60-69%	
F = 0-59%	

Academic Integrity

Collaborating on or copying of tests or homework in whole or in part will be considered an act of academic dishonesty and result in a grade of 0 for that test or assignment. I encourage students to share information and ideas, but not their work. All written work is to be original and plagiarism of any kind will result in a failing grade on that assignment. Students who plagiarize or cheat may be suspended for one to two (1-2) class meetings by the instructor and referred to the Vice President of Student Services for discipline. Please read the college policy/procedure on academic integrity at:

<https://rightsresponsibilities.santarosa.edu/academic-integrity>.

[SRJC Writing Center Lessons on Avoiding Plagiarism](#)

[Plagiarism: How to avoid it](#)

Netiquette, or Why Is It Harder to be Polite Online?

Netiquette refers to using common courtesy in online communication. All members of the class are expected to follow netiquette in all course communications. Use these guidelines:

- Use capital letters sparingly. THEY LOOK LIKE SHOUTING.
- Forward emails only with a writer's permission.
- Be considerate of others' feelings and use language carefully.
- Cite all quotations, references, and sources (otherwise, it is plagiarism).
- Use humor carefully. It is hard to "read" tone; sometimes humor can be misread as criticism or personal attack. Feel free to use emoticons like :) for a smiley face to let others know you are being humorous.
- Use complete sentences and standard English grammar to compose posts. Write in proper paragraphs. Review work before submitting it.
- Text speak, such as "ur" for "your" or "ru" for "are you" etc., is only acceptable when texting.

Student Standards of Conduct

Students who register in SRJC classes are required to abide by the Santa Rosa Junior College Student Conduct Standards. We will conduct ourselves in a manner, which reflects an awareness of common standards of decency and the rights of others. Students who violate these standards may be suspended from two (2) classes and referred to the Vice President of Student Services for discipline. Please read the Student Conduct Standards in its entirety at: <https://student-conduct.santarosa.edu/>.

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

If you need disability related accommodations for this class, please provide the Authorization for Academic Accommodations (AAA letter) from the [Disability Resources Department \(DRD\)](#) to the instructor as soon as possible. You may also speak with the instructor privately during office hours about your accommodations. If you have not arranged to have accommodations, you can schedule an appointment with your specialist by calling 707-527-4278.

