



Tips to Being Successful at New River

- Take advantage of student activities and student services.
- Prepare your semester schedule carefully. Use your DegreeWorks to stay on track.
- Attend all class meeting times.
- Be an active class participant and ask for appropriate help from faculty.
- Utilize all New River Student Services resources.
- Refer often to class syllabi and Blackboard.
- Log in to your MyNewRiver account often to stay informed of upcoming deadlines, Student Health publications, and other important announcements.
- Talk to your advisor about transfer opportunities if you plan to seek a four-year degree.

The Student Success Center not only provides tutoring services in many of the courses offered at the College, students can also receive assistance with test-taking skills, managing test anxiety, study skills, transferring to four-year institutions, stress management and so much more. Check each semester for the workshop schedule and sign up for a session.

With permission from the Educational Counselor, computer workstations may be available where students can do Internet research, use tutorial software, or work on writing assignments. Since so many activities go on in the SSC, this service may not always be available to you. Students should always check the computer labs for student use first.

Study Tips

- Define your terms. Don't assume that your definition of a concept and the person's you are communicating with are the same.
- Make every mistake a learning opportunity.
- Persistence is the key factor in achieving your goals.
- Study BEFORE and AFTER each class to develop long-term memory. Then when you study for an exam, you're reviewing what you have already started learning.
- Journaling mathematic concepts in words blends literacy and numeracy for those students who struggle in math.
- Exhaust all resources! Professors, tutors, collaborative learning with peers, etc.
- When reading an assignment, take the time to read the bolded headings first so you have a better idea of what you are about to learn.
- Think about what you are doing each day. What are your habits? Get into the habit of doing your best in everything you do—particularly your academic life.

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