

What is a Study Group?

A study group is a small group of students taking the same class who meet regularly outside of class time. Members of the study group commit to helping each other be successful by working together.

A study group is usually formed and run by the students involved.

The typical study group is four to six students who:

- Are taking the same class (not necessarily at the same time)
- Are available at the same time outside of class
- Have similar levels of commitment

A study group is *not*:

- A substitute for attending class
- A way to get others to do your homework
- A social group

Successful study groups:

- Meet 1-3 times per week (may meet more often around test times)
- Have a regular schedule including start *and* end times
- Commit to being a study group rather than a social group
- Choose a leader (may change each meeting)

What Does a Study Group Do?

Your study group will decide the best way to work together.

Here are some ways that other successful study groups have worked together...

- Review notes to share any information members may have missed in class
- Take turns finding and sharing more in-depth information on class topics
- Have each member be responsible for a section of material and come together to discuss
- Discuss sections of the book or lecture notes
- Quiz each other on class material
- Work through homework together
- Practice working through math problems
- Practice conversation in a language you are learning

How Do I Start a Study Group?

Choose a starting date and time. The group may decide to change the meeting day/time later, but have an idea before you start looking for a location and finding members.

Find a location to meet. Possible options include:

- Study rooms in GHC library
- GHC Learning Center
- An empty classroom
- Off campus

Find members:

- Ask classmates
- Announce in class that you are forming a study group
- Post a sign-up sheet in or near your classroom. Be sure to include date, time, and location of first meeting (or ask students to leave contact information)
- Ask students in other sections of the same class
- Post information on college message board
- Post an announcement in the GHC Learning Center

You can communicate with your study group by using the outside the bulletin board Learning Center or the GHC on-line message board.

Tired of Studying ALONE?

Form a Study Group!



A study group...

- Creates a set time for studying
- Allows you to benefit from the knowledge of other students
- Helps you learn material better by discussing it
- Provides you a support system
- Is more fun than studying alone!

This information is brought to you by the
Grays Harbor College Learning Center.

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For more information or assistance
forming a study group, contact the
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