

Being a fully online student

It may be difficult for students who had gotten accustomed to traditional face-to-face classes to adjust to having classes fully online. Most students taking practical courses may feel overwhelmed by the increase in paperwork and non-practical assignments. Here are a few scenario-solutions tips to keep your focus.

1. “I do not know when and how to do all this course work. I was not prepared for this adjustment”
 - Although this is true and real, it is important to figure things out earlier than late. Try committing time you would have spent in class to reviewing PowerPoints. Try to make sure you cover as much content as you would have covered in class.
2. “I do not feel disciplined enough to focus on my schoolwork right now”
 - Keep your eye on the goal which is to graduate on time. Allocate times during the day for strict studying. TV, cell phone or any other media devices should be completely off or put away during study.
3. “Studying alone gets boring and I easily lose focus”
 - You do not have to study alone. Video or voice call classmates and do group study sessions. This helps the group stay motivated and gives the opportunity to share and ask each other questions. It is important to choose disciplined study mates who will not divert the conversations from academics.
4. Take some time to look up credible online videos for illustrations or explanations of concepts you do not understand.
5. Using apps, review definitions and basic concepts.

6. Take advantage of tutoring services online at MGA, tutors are always available to help you study and succeed.

<https://www.mga.edu/ssc>

7. Call or email the Library for help with MLA or APA format papers and research assignments.

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8. Make use of GALILEO on the MGA library website for research.

Studying in the comfort of your home may be challenging and requires a certain level of discipline, but it can be fun if you take advantage of all the resources provided by the school as well as credible Internet sources.

Please stay safe and healthy!