

Many students who are beginning college—even students who were very successful in high school—find that the classes are suddenly much more challenging than in high school and that much more studying is required. You might pass a test by cramming for it, but you won't remember much afterward—and this isn't true learning. Second, keep a careful calendar of dates for all exams and when all assignments are due. Some students believe they can pass by simply doing the reading and taking exams, but this isn't true. Professors will hand out a page with these dates on the first day of class; put them immediately on your master calendar and plan ahead. Educators usually agree on the solution to this problem of too much work: you need to get organized. Balance harder ones with easier ones.