Math and Science Strategies
Advice from Students

**MATH**

**Marko**  Do your homework whether you have to turn it in or not. At first I figured that if I didn't have to turn it in I wouldn't do the homework. I got a 46% on my first exam. For the second test, I did all the homework and did several chapter reviews and practice tests. I got a 94% on that exam.

**Sandra**  You should expect math to be a time consuming class. Doing the homework is the biggest thing ... Also, I studied with classmates when the opportunity presented itself.

**Michele**  To do well in math, definitely study in groups. There are a lot of places on campus that have practice exams available (library, professors, etc.). These practice exams are very useful.

**Kira**  If you don't understand something, go see a tutor.

**M.**  I always do practice tests and go to review sections.

**Miguel**  Always, always do the assigned problems and then also do other problems that weren't assigned. On the tests, there always seem to be some of the problems that weren't assigned.

**SCIENCE**

**Dawn**  For chemistry, I read whatever is in bold face first and then I go back and read all the text, highlighting the most important information. To memorize chemical reactions, I use index cards. I can take them wherever I go and look at them whenever I have free time. I see a tutor twice a week.

**Sandra**  When reviewing a chapter, make sure you understand the diagrams, pictures, and charts. Diagrams are the most important thing.

**Miguel**  Do some looking around in the bookstore for good study guides and review books.

**Sanobeia**  When reading science books, make sure you read the examples because that's how you understand. If you don't read the examples you'll be lost during class.

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