

## **Back to School Success Tips**

## Note Taking:

- Sit in a location in the classroom where you can clearly see and hear the instructor without distractions
- Write down notes when your instructor repeats information
- Review your notes after class to check for your understanding and relearn the material
- Focus on understanding what the professor is saying than stressing to copy down presentation material
- Write notes in your own wording and think about what is being taught
- Work to understand the pig picture of the lecture, not just facts
- Organize and use a note taking method that works best for you

## **Learning Styles:**

There are four main types of learning styles; visual, auditory, kinesthetic, and reading/writing learners. Below are learning strategies for each learning style.

- Visual Learners:
  - Color code notes
  - Utilize flashcards, charts, and graphs for studying
  - Watch videos on material
- Auditory Learners:
  - Read information out loud as you study
  - Participate in class discussion and group study sessions
  - Utilize word association when studying
- Kinesthetic Learners:
  - Demonstrate ideas using large white boards and drawings such as diagrams
  - Write notes and ideas down in order
  - Include examples in class notes
- Reading/Writing Learners:
  - Summarize lecture notes and readings on a regular basis
  - Utilize handouts from your instructor
  - o Turn diagrams and charts into words