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"Buoy House"

<u>Selected Electronic Resources for Study Help</u> Visit the Staff at the Buoy House for More Ideas

- All around great site with many links about study skills: <u>http://howtostudy.org</u>
- Schedules of academic help sessions at MMA: <u>http://tutoring.mma.edu</u>
- Schedules of faculty office hours (visit your instructor first for help!): <u>https://mainemaritime.edu/about-mma/campus-directory/</u>
- A check list to prepare and take better notes in college: https://www.niagara.edu/assets/listpage/Taking-Notes-in-a-College-Lecture-A-Checklist.pdf
- The Cornell System of note taking (an easy and <u>highly recommended</u> method!): <u>http://coe.jmu.edu/learningtoolbox/cornellnotes.html</u>
- Print your own Cornell System note paper (lined, unlined, or quadrille format, in different sizes): http://www.cornell-notes.com
- A way to reduce test anxiety: <u>http://www.usnews.com/science/articles/2011/01/14/the-write-way-to-reduce-test-anxiety</u>

Some students find recording and taking notes on laptops or other devices quite useful. <u>As a courtesy, ask the instructor's permission if you plan to do this</u>. <u>Recordings are only for personal use</u>. Instructors hold intellectual rights to lecture materials and you may not post audio or video from class to any outlet (Facebook, email, etc.) without their permission.

Note taking software - available free via MMA's Microsoft software agreement

- For PC computers: Microsoft OneNote (comes with the Microsoft Office Suite)
 Record audio and notes in the same document. See these videos (and others) for help: "Microsoft OneNote Tutorial" <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h07qZLLQc41</u>
 "Back to School With OneNote" <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p536lVqghw4</u>
- For Mac computers: Microsoft Word for Mac. See "How to Record Audio and Take Notes with MS Word" <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Pf0fV2gAF0</u>

Smart pens

Some students use smart pens to write notes and record lectures. We recommend LiveScribe pens; watch the video at the site below or come try our pens. Even students who are not good note takers like indexing lecture events for later play back.

• LiveScribe pen and note book system: <u>http://livescribe.com</u>

Smart phones and tablets

Smart phones and tablets are often excellent recording devices and can sync to note taking apps. Here are a few recording apps; many exist – find your own favorite!

- iPhone and iPad: Record Box (users can mark events during lecture): http://l.myrecordbox.com
- Android devices: Smart Voice Recorder https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.andrwq.recorder&hl=en
- Voice recording and note pad for iOS, Windows, Android, and Mac: Audio Note, http://luminantsoftware.com

Study planner apps (or try your MMA FirstClass email calendar!)

- Android, iOS, Windows, and Mac: iStudiezPro, http://istudentpro.com/
- iOS: InClass, <u>http://www.inclassapp.com/</u>

Electronic flashcards

• Quizlet (all platforms and devices), <u>http://quizlet.com</u>