# Strategies for Success

## For International Students

Free intensive 3-day short course

**Monday 25 – Wednesday 27 July, 2016**

The skills you need to succeed at university.

For newly enrolled and continuing international students in undergraduate and coursework master programs.

Strategies for Success is a short course designed to give you the skills you need to succeed at university. This program is tailored to meet the needs of international students studying at Swinburne. The program gives you an idea of what to expect and some strategies to succeed at university.

Students who attended the Strategies for Success program in 2015 received an average mark 5% higher than students who did not attend.

The program is run across three days, Monday 25 – Wednesday 27 July, 2016. Details about the program and your faculty’s specific venues can be found on the registration page: [swi.nu/strategies](http://swi.nu/strategies)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Afternoon session 3pm - 6pm</th>
<th>Getting and staying motivated</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>Transition to University&lt;br&gt;• Changes experienced at university&lt;br&gt;• Skills required to be a successful student&lt;br&gt;• ‘Transition to successful study’ - A student’s experience</td>
<td>• Setting goals&lt;br&gt;• Studying the right course&lt;br&gt;• Planning &amp; maintaining life balance&lt;br&gt;• Time management</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>Getting the most out of lectures&lt;br&gt;• Effective listening&lt;br&gt;• Note-taking strategies&lt;br&gt;• Digital solutions</td>
<td>Academic skills&lt;br&gt;• Academic writing&lt;br&gt;• Avoiding plagiarism&lt;br&gt;• Relationship of academic skills to employability</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>Academic skills&lt;br&gt;• Critical thinking&lt;br&gt;• Reading strategies&lt;br&gt;• Assessment task analysis</td>
<td>How to improve exam performance&lt;br&gt;• 6 things you should do every week&lt;br&gt;• Effective study techniques&lt;br&gt;• Managing exam stress</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Venues

Strategies for Success is being run for students in each faculty. To ensure you receive the most relevant advice and meet other students in your course, make sure you attend the program for your faculty.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Faculty</th>
<th>Study areas</th>
<th>Venue</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Faculty of Business and Law (FBL)</td>
<td>- Business and management  - Law</td>
<td>EN 515</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Faculty of Health, Arts and Design (FHAD)</td>
<td>- Arts and Social Sciences  - Design  - Education  - Health Sciences</td>
<td>EN 615</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Faculty of Science, Engineering and Technology (FSET)</td>
<td>- Aviation  - Engineering  - Science  - IT  - Computer Science  - Software Engineering</td>
<td>EN 715</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If you are unsure about which venue to attend, please contact John Schwartz, jschwartz@swin.edu.au, (03) 9214 8377

Academic Development Advisers

Academic Development Advisers provide students with individual consultation on issues affecting study performance and facilitate weekly study support groups to improve your academic performance.

Our services include:

- Putting you in touch with the most appropriate support services
- Helping with your transition to university study
- Running a mentor program to allow successful students to give you the benefit of their experience
- Organising study groups to provide you with support from other students
- Assisting you; if you are identified as “at risk” or probation / “show cause”; address issues impeding you from achieving your best academic results
- Running topical and relevant seminars during the semester to refresh and improve your understanding of academic and personal organisation skills

Contact your Academic Development Adviser:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Faculty of Business and Law (FBL)</th>
<th>Julie Gerstman</th>
<th><a href="mailto:jgerstman@swin.edu.au">jgerstman@swin.edu.au</a></th>
<th>(03) 9214 8408</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Faculty of Health, Arts and Design (FHAD)</td>
<td>John Schwartz</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jschwartz@swin.edu.au">jschwartz@swin.edu.au</a></td>
<td>(03) 9214 8377</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Faculty of Science, Engineering and Technology (FSET)</td>
<td>Sean Tinker</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sptinker@swin.edu.au">sptinker@swin.edu.au</a></td>
<td>(03) 9214 5565</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Learning and Academic Skills (LAS) Centre

The Learning and Academic Skills (LAS) Centre provides free advice on how to improve your learning and academic skills, and advice on how to meet your current course requirements.

LAS Services:

- Individual/small group one hour consultations
  
  We provide free advice on how to improve your learning and academic skills and advice on how to meet your current course requirements.
  Our advisors are available to meet with you individually or in small groups to help with specific issues you may be facing.

- Drop-in consultations
  
  (LateLab area, Level 2 of the Library (Hawthorn Campus))
  
  If you have a quick question about your assignments, assessments or managing your studies, come and ask us between 12pm - 8pm Monday to Thursday and 12pm - 4pm Friday during semester.

- Conversation group
  
  (Monday-Friday, 12.30-1.30pm, GS203)
  
  Our English language conversation groups are held throughout the year. Make friends, practice your English and learn interesting things about life and culture in Australia. The group is open to all Swinburne students. No appointments necessary.

- Learning strategies and academic skills
- Essay, report and thesis writing
- Researching and referencing
- Speaking and oral presentations
- Maths, physics and basic statistics
- Computer literacy and assignment formatting

Bookings:

swinburne.edu.au/las

Enquiries:

GS 202, Level 2, The George (GS) Building

Tel: 9214 5583

lashawthorn@swin.edu.au