

## Ten Helpful Study Skills Sites on the World Wide Web

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**Note: This listing is designed to serve as a selective and illustrative guide rather than a comprehensive compendium of Web resources.**

<http://www.ucc.vt.edu> - This helpful and popular site, maintained by the Cook Counseling Center at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and University, contains (a) four "RealVideo" presentations (i.e., Study Skills Clinic; Relaxation-Parts 1 & 2; Coping with Test Anxiety) and (b) five online study skills workshops (i.e., Time Management; Improving Test Performance; Increasing Textbook Reading Comprehension; Improving Concentration and Memory; Online Study Skills Inventory). The site also contains over 25 links to self-help materials addressing many common study skills problems.

<http://muskingum.edu> - This site, maintained by the Center for the Advancement of Learning at Muskingum College, offers a both a comprehensive database of learning resources including general study skills materials categorized into twelve major topic areas (Click on "General-Purpose Learning Strategies Menu") and an extensive collection of discipline-specific strategies organized into 27 content areas (Click on "Content Area Specific Learning Strategies Menu").

<http://www.yorku.ca/cdc/lsp/index.htm> - This site, maintained by the Learning Skills program at York University in Toronto Canada, offers an excellent collection of online handouts, PowerPoint presentations, and links to other web resources. Also described as available for purchase is "Time Management for Students" an interactive, multi-media CD-ROM tutorial comprised of 5 sessions designed to introduce students to selected concepts of time management.

<http://www.iss.stthomas.edu/studyguides> - This site, maintained by the ISS/Learning Center at the University of St. Thomas in St Paul, MN, has clearly organized links to over 75 helpful resources; especially unique is the fact that these resources have been translated into fourteen different languages. There is also a page containing an excellent collection of links to other study skills sites on the World Wide Web

<http://www.dartmouth.edu/~acskills> - This site, maintained by the Dartmouth College Academic Skills Center, contains both a collection of standard yet helpful on-line resources (Click on "Learning Enhancement Services" then "Learning Strategies Guides") as well as a collection of five "Academic Success Online Videos" covering time management, note taking, stress management, reading improvement, and strategies learning (click on "Academic Success Videos Online;" these movies requires users to download the free the Quicktime Movie Player plugin).

<http://www.cf.ac.uk/engin/news/feedback/vpamphlets.html> - This site, maintained by the Cardiff School of Engineering in the United Kingdom offers a set of links to more than 700 'virtual pamphlets' from more than 90 USA and other universities. These pamphlets are Web pages of ideas to help with all sorts of student problems, from how to take notes to how to cope with alcoholic parents -- a pretty wide span. You may find some universities produce better pamphlets than others, so a key to the source is given.

<http://www.powa.org> - This is an extraordinary site to direct students to for help in improving their writing skills. Designed by Dr. Chuck Guilford who has thirty years of experience teaching university level writing courses and is the author of *Beginning College Writing* published by Little, Brown, this site, known as Paradigm, is an interactive, menu-driven, online writer's guide and handbook written in HTML and distributed freely over the WWW. Paradigm is intended to be useful for all writers, from inexperienced to advanced.

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu> - OWL (Online Writing Lab), maintained by Purdue University, offers an incredibly helpful cite for both students and faculty writers containing such things as electronic handouts, PowerPoint presentations, hypertext workshops, etc.

<http://www.english.uiuc.edu/cws/wworkshop/index.htm> - This site, maintained by the Writers' Workshop at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, offers both students and faculty writers an extensive collection of online resources. For example, in the Writing Techniques section there is advice on various elements of the writing process while the Writing Websites section offers annotated listings of sites providing self-help documents. Other sections include materials on Technical Writing, Grammar Handbooks, Bibliographic Styles, and Teaching Resources.

<http://www.webshops.uoguelph.ca/learningtime> - This site, maintained by The Learning Commons, University of Guelph in Ontario, Canada offers a Web-based workshop entitled "Learning Time" on time management and related topics. It's a comprehensive compendium of information, strategies, suggestions, and advice designed to resolve the persistent or recurring time management issues commonly faced by experienced undergraduate and graduate university students. Learning Time is in its pilot phase and is open and free to all visitors.