Summer is almost here! But first, you need to get through finals. Below are some tips for taking exams...

BEFORE THE TEST:

Study on a regular basis. This will all but eliminate cramming and highly increase the chances of being better prepared for the test. This is any student's most effective strategy for doing well on a test.

Know exactly what the test will cover. Ask the professor if there is uncertainty. Also ask the professor if there are any areas on the test that may be emphasized.

Don't stay up all night before the test to study. Study all along as the material is presented. Get a good night's sleep prior to a big test.

Study in small groups. However, all members of a study group need to be serious about studying.

Be prepared. Arrive on time to class. Make sure you have needed materials such as pens and pencils.

Come to the test with a positive attitude. Maintain it throughout the whole test. Tell yourself that you are prepared and that you will do well. Self-confidence is a great weapon.

 Listen to all oral test directions carefully. Breathe deeply to help relax.

Put down an answer for everything.

Use the test as a source of hints. Information in one section or question can give clues or hints about questions in another.

Write legibly. Sloppy handwriting can easily be misunderstood and interpreted as an incorrect answer.

When time is a factor, don't stay on a question or problem you are unable to answer. If you don't know an answer, skip the question and come back to it.

Read the directions for the test carefully. Don't get to the end of the test only to realize that you did it completely wrong.

Read the entire question carefully. Hidden clues and helpful tidbits of advice can often be found by slow, methodical reading. Look for key words.

Complete the test before going through it a second time. If you don't, there is a good chance you might forget to do some of it.

Write helpful notes in the test margins. Rules, equations, mnemonic clues can be jotted down in the margin to help jump-start memory when the time is right.

Go with your first thoughts when answering questions. You can always change it when you have time to think and reflect on the question.

TAKE A SUMMER CLASS!

The following courses are being offered this summer at UWMC. They typically run from 5 to 8 weeks at varying times throughout the summer. Check the summer schedule online for more information.

Here is a list of classes being offered:

- BIO 180: Intro to Human Biology
- CHE 112: Foundations of Chemistry
- CHE 125: Introductory Chemistry
- CHE 352: Organic Chemistry Laboratory
- CTA 103: Intro to Public Speaking
- CTA 150: Intro to Film
- ENG 101: College Writing and Critical Reading
- ENG 102: Critical Writing Reading and Research
- HIS 222: Recent Chinese History: Summer in China
- MAT 105: Intro to College Algebra
- MAT 117: Elementary Statistics

The UWMC Library has Expanded Hours for Finals!

- May 15—7:45am-9:00pm
- May 16—7:45am-5:00pm
- May 17—7:45am-5:00pm
- May 18—3:00pm-9:00pm
- May 19—7:45am-9:00pm
- May 20—7:45am-5:00pm