

Whether this is your last semester or you're getting ready to take your first class at Black Hawk College, we have some tips for you. Check out these ideas to help you make the Spring 2020 semester a great success, and get your decade started off right!

Prepare for classes

Make sure you have all the supplies and books you need! Consider packing your book bag in advance, and make sure your computer is ready to go. Pop by [campus](#) before the semester kicks off to find your classes, or give yourself plenty of time the day-of classes to get where you need to be.

Take care of yourself

Eating well, drinking water, exercising and sleeping more (if you are not currently getting eight hours of rest) will help you feel your best. When you feel good, you'll be able to tackle your classes. Also don't forget you can work out on campus at the [Fitness Center](#)!

Stay organized



Map out important dates from your syllabuses in your calendar. Seeing paper and project due dates and exam dates in one place will help you plan and keep on track. Block out time to study, to work on projects and papers, and for reading assignments. After class, read over your notes while they are fresh in your mind in case you need to make any adjustments to make them as clear as possible. As new assignments pop up, add them to your calendar.

Use BHC resources

If you need assistance, don't hesitate to take advantage of the many [Student Resources](#) available to you. Free tutoring online and in-person, counseling, food pantries, veterans services, disability services and career assistance services are just a few things Black Hawk College has to offer. Student resources can make a huge difference for you.

Get involved

Participate in [Student Life](#) opportunities! Joining a club or organization can help you develop your talents, make meaningful connections and build your résumé. In addition to clubs and organizations, Student Life also offers fun events throughout the year. Student Life events almost always include free food! These opportunities are a great way to kick back, spend time with friends or make new ones.

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