

HOW TO DO POORLY IN THIS COURSE

- Assign this class a low priority in your life. Make sure you have lots of absences and regularly arrive late for class when you *do* show up (or get up and leave early for no apparent reason).
- Schedule a vacation during the course so that you miss one or more classes. Just because the professor never takes a vacation except during the intervals between semesters doesn't mean that *you* should do likewise!
- When sending email to the professor, never tell him or her which class you are enrolled in despite the fact that he or she may have nearly 200 students in several different classes. It's more fun to have the professor waste time looking you up on a roster!
- During class, read a book, send text messages, listen to your I-Pod, daydream, talk to other students, etc.; in short, don't pay attention and be as disengaged as possible.
- During class, never ask questions or make relevant comments about the lesson.
- During class, never volunteer to answer a question asked by the professor or take part in a class discussion.
- Be sure to talk or make noises during a video presentation so that neither you nor other students can hear what's being said on screen.
- Leave the room during a video presentation because you think it's not important that you stay and watch.
- Wait until the last possible minute to complete your homework assignments so that you have to rush through them, increasing your chances of making mistakes.
- Never read your textbook; in fact, don't even buy one!
- Ignore any instructions the professor might provide for the correct way to complete an assignment or fill in the spaces on a form or document.
- Wait until the last minute to study for an exam.
- Don't read the syllabus or listen when the professor provides information about the course so that later on you can waste time asking him or her questions that were answered at the beginning of semester or that can be answered by referring to the syllabus.
- Wait until the last week of the semester to ask the professor for "extra credit" or "more time" so that you won't fail the course, even though throughout the semester you couldn't be bothered to complete your regular assignments or study for an exam.
- Ask the professor to "give" you a grade that you haven't actually earned.