

TUTORIAL LEARNING CENTER

Student Newsletter

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Welcome to CMU

Research shows that students who utilize tutoring at least twice per week have higher GPAs than student who get tutoring less. Our Tutoring Center is an open space for students. This means that students are welcome to come to the TLC to use computers, print, or work on their own. Many students do this “just in case” they need a tutor. This is a good way to get familiar and comfortable with the TLC and our tutors!

Student Success Tip!

Reading your textbook assignments before class is very important, but student must also be reading their textbook properly. You paid for your book, so use it to its full potential. Highlight important information, write comments and questions in the margins, and look up the definitions for words you don't understand. By doing this, students are more prepared to compare what they read to what they hear during a lecture. This will help students understand the material in more meaningful ways. Also, if this is not a strong skill for you, come talk to a tutor or the Coordinator. We can give you some strategies to help you read your textbook effectively.

“She has encouraged me to keep going, be strong and wise. She is very smart and I am lucky she is my tutor.”

*-CMU Student,
Spring 2017*

“She made sure I was the one to compute my own and assisted/walked me through the steps I didn't understand.”

*—CMU Student,
Spring 2017*

“By far the most helpful, kind tutor I've received help from . . . gentle about explaining things. Seems intuitive, too, and can guess where a student isn't understanding a concept.”

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How does tutoring work?

Here at CMU we have made it simple for students to get help. The process goes something like this: A student attempts their work, which might be reading a chapter from a textbook or working a series of math problems. Once the student had done as much work as they can and needs help understanding a portion of the text or working a few math problems they stop by the TLC. Students will be greeted by a friendly staff and asked what they need help with. Then, the student will be introduced to a tutor who can help them. It's that easy. Oh, and did I mention that tutoring services are free? That's right, you will never have to pay for tutoring. [So if you get stuck on something, whether it be a math problem, understanding a concept from your textbook, or just need clarification on your instructor's lecture, stop by and talk to a tutor. They will be glad to help.](#)