



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  
**The Learning Center™**

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## **Tips for a Successful Online Learning Experience:**

- 1. Check your TTU email (<https://mail.ttu.edu>) and Blackboard (<https://www.depts.ttu.edu/lms/>) daily.**  
It is important to stay on top of assignments. Use the tools provided to communicate with your professor/instructor. Effective communication between you and your professor/instructor is vital.
- 2. Have access to a computer and reliable internet service.**  
A habit of logging in daily is essential for your success.
- 3. Utilize Apps.**  
Most programs (like Blackboard) have apps available for use on your phones and/or tablets.
- 4. Treat your course as if it were face-to-face.**  
Dedicate time for your course! Treat it as your job so that you commit time and focus to each class.
- 5. Create a schedule and study plan.**  
Be willing and able to commit to 8 hours per day to classes and study. Keeping up with the class and completing all work on time is important. Manage your time well.
- 6. Be self-motivated and self-disciplined.**  
With the freedom and flexibility of the online environment comes responsibility. The online process takes a real commitment and discipline to keep up with the flow of the process.
- 7. Be willing to “speak up” if problems arise.**  
If you are experiencing difficulty on any level (either with the technology or with the course content), you must communicate this immediately. Otherwise the professor/instructor will never know what is wrong.
- 8. Create a space dedicated to focus on studying.**  
Create a space of peace. Avoid distractions such as games or social media. Set up good lighting and comfortable seating.
- 9. Be mentally engaged.**  
Be an active listener. Allow yourself to absorb and process information.