

## **If you could provide one piece of advice to new transfer students, what would it be?**

Be active, study hard

Be prepared for the semester

Be prepared to a "catch up" period in which you will need to academically and institutionally align with study and teaching styles, campus know how and other changes from wherever you are transferring from.

Be prepared to work hard, and be open.

Be ready for tougher professors and grading scales.

Be ready to more of the courses on your own.

Change your study habits and time management in order to be successful at SDSU academically.

Check your source.

Choose your classes carefully and don't take too many very difficult classes at once.

Come up with a plan and stick to it

**DO NOT PROCRASTINATE.** Manage your time wisely. Allow room for studying, social life, and more studying and eating in between ( if there is time : \ )

Do not take the university life too lightly or work on your social life in the first semester.

Do not take too many units, otherwise they may be taking a big workload.

Do NOT think that anyone's advice as an absolute truth. Think independently and do what is best for yourself.

do what professor ask.

Don't be afraid to ask questions and engage with your teachers especially outside of class during there office hours. For some of my classes this first semester I took advance of this but not all my teachers I established a relationship. I don't know if

this would help everyone, but I found the closer I sat in the front of the class the more involved I tried to be.

Don't be fooled. While the coursework may be more demanding, the atmosphere is the same in some classes. Do your homework and show up to class if the count for points.

Don't get caught up in the college lifestyle. You are here for academic reasons. Try to take a reasonable workload for your first semester and TIME MANAGEMENT is huge.

Don't procrastinate

don't slack off about studying.

Don't take Finance 323 and MIS 301 in the same semester.

Don't take Pukathong for finance 323. She is by far the WORST professor I have ever had on any level. I can't believe SDSU allows professors like that to teach. It makes me think they don't really care about students at all and just want their money.

Don't take too many units. Start off with 12/13 to get use to the work load.

Don't underestimate the time necessary to complete the reading, homework, etc. Good time management skills will alleviate a lot of the stress encountered during the first semester, and establishing good habits now will pay off in following semesters.

Find friends and form study groups to better understand class materials. Also, stay ahead or on schedule with reading, homework, and quizzes. Don't fall behind and avoid stress.

Form study groups for each class if possible.

get involved

get involved with the right people in the right groups will help a smoother integration.

get involved! either go greek or join an organization. it really provided you with the happiness, support, and friendships you need helping create friends and peers

Get ready to be self-teaching !

Get ready to take the adventure.

Get the help you need as soon as possible when you feel it coming your way.

Go to orientation.

Go to your professors office and meet them personally.

hardworking

Hit the ground running your first semester otherwise your GPA will suffer and you will have to work much harder to try and get it back to where it should be.

I had two professors this year who did NOT prepare me for the exams/quizzes... beware of this! Get the help you need, and deserve. Don't GIVE UP! I would say the hardest time for me was the first round of exams, once I figured out how the professors were/graded I found my groove. Don't let a bad grade on a quiz/exam trump your spirit!! Take that and do better!! Good luck - its more difficult than you think! :) CHEERS!

I would really encourage them to keep asking questions and attend office hours frequently.

If you are going to take accounting 321 you need to find a tutor. Taxation moves very quickly and is extremely difficult., I would also suggest that they take advantage of all the programs the campus has to offer like the EOPS mentor program.

Improve time management skills.

Improve your study habits.

Introduce yourself to all professors.

It can be a difficult transition for someone who takes care of their family, works to pay a mortgage and is trying to be perfect in class.

Join a club

Join clubs relevant to your major. I joined the American Marketing Association and had a blast!

just believe in yourself and do not be discouraged at the first obstacle you meet but rather seek help and stay focused.

Just continue as if SDSU were your lower division school.

Just focus on completing things quickly then have fun

Keep up on your studies and don't fall behind, it's much harder to catch up.

Learn to manage your time well. Make study sessions with your peers as it forces you to concentrate on school work and study.

Maintain a high GPA before transferring and finish all of the GE and pre major requirements so that you can focus all of your time on your undergrad courses at state.

Make sure you have good study skills and the time to dedicate to class.

Never wait until the last minute to study in one long study session just cramming

Not to take a full load and get adjusted because the tests are different from community college.

Plan your study time and course work accordingly, do not overestimate the amount of time that you will have during the week to accomplish your goals.

prepared for the class. it is totally different from college

Read your text books the teachers don't have time to teach you in class unless you go to office hours they're very helpful there.

Realize that it WILL be more difficult than a JC.

relax, study by plan

Sign up classes as early as you can to get into good professors' classes.

Speak with advisors prior to beginning the semester to make sure you picked the major you will benefit most from.

Start your studying immediately. Get involved in a club or other campus activity. Have fun!

Stay focused throughout the school year.

Stay hydrated

Step it up.

study

Study as much as you can and use A+ review if you find that your test scores are lower than you expected.

study hard and early !

Study hard because It is not easy and don't let your personal problems interact with your studies.

Study harder and harder.

Study more than you think you need to.

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Study, study, and study.

Study, study, study. If you do not study through out the semester and do all the homework it is very difficult to catch up right before finals. Start strong, finish strong.

take advantage of all the tool provided by the school, and stay on top of the administrative stuff. (requirements for majors, pre reqs etc.)

Take advantage of faculty outside of class and even though attendance is not checked going to class is beneficial. We all worked hard at community college to get here so there is no reason to slack now,

Take advantage of school resources and help as well as manage your time wisely.

Take class seriously becuae you are putting a lot more money into it and you really want to stay on track.

take daytime classes and interact more with students and staff

Take fewer classes your first semester to get your feet wet.

Take only 12 units

Take the time to chat with other students, meet people and develop friendships and study groups.

Take your time in everything. If one does not understand re-read the problem or situation.

Time management is crucial if you work 40 hours or more.

Time management skills is key

To spend more time studying and balance the time schedule for the week.

Try to clear your schedule as much as possible. I work almost full time because I don't have any other choice, but if you could not work during the first semester, you would have more time to study and take care of yourself.

Visit the department for recommended/required courses to ensure completion before transfer. This can determine how long they will be to graduate at SDSU

Visit your professors during office hours

Work hard the first semester and be ready for a change.

Your grade point average will drop and as much as you think you studied for the first test you need to study more. I got A's in community college with mild study hours and I quadrupled it to get the same grades at State.