WHAT'S THE POINT?



Before Midterms:

- To clarify any questions that you have about the course content prior to the midterm.
- To gain a better understanding of what the professor's expectations are for high performance.
- To discuss study habits that you should utilize to prepare.

After Midterms:

- To review your midterm and learn about your strengths and areas of improvement.
- To revisit your goals for the course and discuss your progress towards them.

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OFFICE HOURS 101

PART 2: MIDTERMS



PREPARING FOR OFFICE HOURS

Before Midterms

- Review course readings and notes.
- Identify concepts that you do not understand or want more clarification on.
- Write down specific questions that you want to ask and be prepared to take notes during office hours.

After Midterms

- Reflect on your study habits and compare them with your performance on the exam.
- Determine your needs moving forward and be prepared to share this with your professor so they can help support you.



OFFICE HOURS



Before Midterms

- Incorporate the notes from office hours into your study guide.
- Follow-up on any readings or concepts that you are still struggling with.
- Using your knowledge of the test format, adjust your study guide to reflect the types of questions that you will be asked.

After Midterms

- Execute any changes to your study habits that you commit to.
- Continually self-monitor your progress in the course.
- Remember to utilize office hours in a proactive manner, as opposed to a reactive manner.

CONSIDER THIS

Questions before the Midterm

How can I best prepare for this midterm?

Can you tell me more about the content and format of the midterm?

How will the midterm relate to lecture and reading notes?

This is my understanding of (a topic), Am I on the right track?

I am confused about (a topic), could you help me understand its relation to (another topic)?

When the author mentions (a topic), did they mean (your interpretation)?

When you said (quote) in lecture, I didn't understand how it applied to (a topic). Could you please elaborate on that?

Questions after the Midterm

Based on my performance, how can I better prepare for the next exam/paper/project?

Could you explain why I got this question incorrect? What were you looking for?

What was my #1 mistake on this midterm?

Will the final be cumulative or separate from the material covered on the midterm?