

Nerdy Talk

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The Finals Countdown

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The title says it all! Finals are approaching, slowly but surely. In fact its only eleven days until you will start sitting down in exams to scribble, note and jot down all the information you've learned all semester.

While exams may seem a little daunting, don't fear. We your Dons of Academics believe that all of you can succeed and want to help in whatever ways we can!

Exams don't have to be a stressful frightening time, in fact it's a good opportunity to organize and reflect on just how far you've come over just three short months of class. During all of that reflection however be sure to study. For many of you these exams are the last blast for some of your classes and its your opportunity to show your profes-

sors and yourself all that you've learned.

If you find yourself not knowing where to start we've happily provided a list of our top ten exam reminders just to the right to give you an idea of where to start and what to remember.

Above all else remember to believe that you can do it and don't get discouraged! You've already come this far, its time to finish with style!

IT'S ALWAYS TOO EARLY TO QUIT.

Remember To Remember



While November the 11th saw a large number of the St. Catharines population taking the time to be grateful for the sacrifices of soldiers it is important that as a student body and as Canadians that we not forget that those sacrifices were made so that each day we could live in this great country of ours.

-Lest We Forget.

Top Ten Things To Remember For Exams:

- ✓ Come prepared! (Pens, Pencils, etc)
- ✓ Organize your notes to make studying easier
- ✓ don't bring anything you don't need to your exam
- ✓ Know which exam you're writing, when and where!
- ✓ Study thoroughly for all exams!
- ✓ Visit your Don of Academics if you need help!
- ✓ Respect others' need to study, and the 22 hour quiet hours
- ✓ Don't bring your cell phone to any of your exams!
- ✓ Be sure to take (reasonable) study breaks
- ✓ Don't over stress! YOU CAN DO IT!

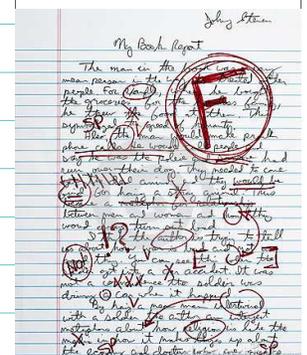
Myth-buster ... University Edition

Myth: A poor grade can be forgotten, it's the exam that counts!

While it can help to remember that the final exam is worth a large chunk of your grade, it is important to retain even your not-so-great

assignments. While the reminder of a poor grade is unpleasant, the feedback from professors and TA's on that assignment can help you improve going forward. Especially going into exams, the potential

feedback from these assignments can be key to getting important concepts or understanding what the professor is expecting from written work.



Historical Update: ROM Edition

The Academic Dons, organized an exciting trip to the Royal Ontario Museum last weekend. It was a fantastic day of hanging out with cool people, looking at historical things, and filling our heads with fascinating knowledge. We explored the great depths of prehistoric lands when viewing the fossilized dinosaurs. Then we took a journey to Egypt to see a mummy plus a mummified cat that is 2,500 years old! Overall, the day was filled with adventure, curiosity, and wonder as we explored halls of the historical ROM.



Fun Facts:

Did you know that the Giant Ground Sloths that used to roam North and South America measured up to 20 feet head to tail?

Or that Gordo, the ROM's 27 metre long Barosaurus, is the largest real fossil dinosaur skeleton mounted in Canada, and is one of only three complete Barosaurus skeletons on display in the world?!

Did you know that ancient Greek sculptures were painted?

If you wish to go to the ROM, it is free on Tuesdays for students in post-secondary education! -That means you!

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James: Wed 7-9 Lowenberger Caf.

Steven: Mon & Fri 7-8 Decew Caf.

Simrat: Tues & Thurs 8-9 Lowenberger Caf.

Kailey: Thurs 7:30-9:30 L134

Nick: Tues & Thurs 7-8 QV 47

Megan: Tues 5-6 and Thurs 1-2 Decew Caf.

Katharine: Tues & Thurs 2:30-3:30 Fireplace Lounge

If you need help preparing for exams you know where to find us!