

# LEARNING WITH A STUDY GROUP

*Two heads are better than one.*

## FORMING A GROUP:

- Students who take part in study groups get more out of their courses, usually improve their performance, and enjoy the support of their classmates.
- An effective group usually has 3 to 6 members who are serious about their classes but otherwise do not know each other well.
- A group can meet on campus or online (on Zoom, Skype, or Teams) depending on their preference and availability.
- To connect with your classmates during an **online class**, you can find the class list on MIO and send out a general message to your classmates (BCC them), telling them that you are starting a study group.
- Groups work best when they meet regularly and when all members do their fair share.
- Use scheduling apps like Doodle or Calendly to quickly post everyone's availabilities, and then pick a time that works for the most people.



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## MAINTAINING AN EFFECTIVE GROUP:

- Members agree what they will work on in each meeting.
- They may prepare materials for the meeting.
- They may review one another's lecture notes to fill in gaps.
- They may develop outlines of important material, noting areas that are unclear.
- The group may use study apps or index cards as study aids, especially for facts and definitions.
- They may practice answering questions and problems likely to be on the exam.
- They may do past exams while simulating exam conditions.



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*Take the initiative and set up a study group today!  
You'll soon see the difference it can make.*