

Academic Rigor: New students will become active learners who take ownership of their academic path, developing critical thinking skills and a passion for lifelong learning.

Learning Outcomes:

- 1. Develop foundational academic habits including time management, active and regular class participation, grit, and effective study skills.
- 2. Develop an educational plan that will lead to timely graduation by partnering with their academic advisor and affirming a best-fit major.
- 3. Meet progression requirements and enroll for subsequent semesters.
- 4. Utilize at least two university resources that can assist with academic success.

Equipment: device with internet connection and audio

Activity:

- 1. Have students listen to 3 episodes of the Student Success Initiatives Podcast, total listening time can vary between 25 minutes to an hour.
- 2. Assign Episode 46 Ron English's Tips for How to Study as a **required** episode and direct students to pick the remaining 2 episodes from different seasons. Season 1, Season 2 or the Time Management series.

Possible Modification: You could choose to listen to the required video together in class and assign the other two for homework.

3. Ask students to submit a written reflection on the episodes they listened to and address the following questions

Reflection Questions:

- 1. What are 4 strategies Ron English provides in his podcast episode? Give examples of how you can incorporate each strategy in your study routine.
- 2. What resources did you learn about by listening to the podcasts? How can you utilize those resources for your success at Baylor?
- 3. Which of the three students did you find yourself most readily relating to? Why?
- 4. What do you think the most practical and helpful tip for success was for you?
- 5. After listening to the three podcasts, what are your reflections on how to face challenges?

Link to Ron English's tips for How to Study - <u>https://www.baylor.edu/case/index.php?id=968907.</u>

Link to main podcast page - <u>https://www.baylor.edu/case/index.php?id=953976.</u>