

## Note-Taking: So much more than just an in-class activity

Good note-taking skills are an essential tool for success, useful in your classes, student organizations, and career. It is one thing to write down information on paper during lectures, but quality notes allow you to record the information in your own words, organize the new material, and process and integrate new knowledge. Note-taking is more than just an in-class activity. For the most benefit, use your note-taking skills before, during, and after class.

## **BEFORE CLASS**

This will give you a heads up on the terms, concepts, and information that will most likely be covered in the lecture. It can also give you an idea of how to structure your notes. If you find any terms, concepts, or information confusing, you will know to take more specific notes during the lecture. You can also be sure to ask questions so that the instructor can clarify the information.