

Make-up Exercise for Non-Attendees at Mandatory Success Workshops

Plan for your success!

I am sorry that you didn't attend a mid-semester workshop. I still want to see you plan for your successful finish to the semester. I'll look forward to hearing from you.

Your registration hold will be released upon completion of the following:

1. Complete the web form using the link you were provided in the 4/1 email.
2. Attach to the web form a double-spaced, 12 pt. font, with no margins larger than 1", a 2-page (8.5" x 11" sheets) statement on your plans to improve your performance in the coming semester. Include your name and student ID at the top of each page.
3. You may discuss any topics related to your success, including physical and mental health, social issues in your life, academic behaviors, and anything at all that is relevant to your ability to bring out the best in your academic performance.
4. You are encouraged to refer to learning.ucmerced.edu to explore the self-assessment tools there related to your learning style and other matters that can help you improve your academic performance. You may also refer to items on the cover sheets to help you think of content for your paper.
5. What this essay is not: (essay may be rejected for rewrite)
 - a. Please do not occupy space with excuse. Write about your active, productive steps forward
 - b. Please do not write about what you will do better in the fall semester or summer session. Instead, write about about what steps you will take TODAY to finish your spring semester the best you can. Plan for your success now rather putting off being your best self for a future semester

Please note that this paper may be rejected, and your hold will not be released until a revision is received, if any of the following is seen in your paper:

1. Excessive grammatical or spelling errors (have someone, such as a writing tutor, review your paper for you before you submit it).
2. Poor organization or evident carelessness in the construction of the paper (use an opening paragraph and structure your paper before you begin to write).
3. Accusations, blame, excuses, sarcasm, disrespectful language, or any messages in your paper that do not contribute to the intention of the exercise, which is to produce an analytical reflection on your own plans to bring out the best in your academic performance. **Demonstrate a sense of personal accountability in this exercise.**

Submit the cover sheets and the 2-page essay as an attachment to the web form link provided. You will receive an email when your hold has been released or a message requesting a revision.