FAVORITE STUDY SPOTS STUDY TIPS

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We've reached that point in the semester where projects are getting bigger and classwork is getting harder. Are you looking for the perfect study spot to boost your productivity and focus? No single environment works best for everyone, so you have to find out what works best for you. From the great outdoors to off-campus locations, here are a few different options to try!



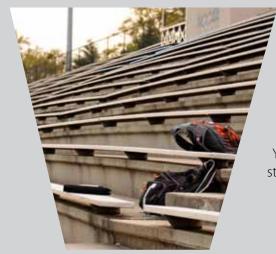
The Den is a favorite study spot for many students, particularly when it comes to group projects. The long tables and circles of chairs in The Den lend themselves nicely to group meetings. Matt Lovelace, a junior information technology major, said he enjoys studying there because of the atmosphere and easy accessibility to refreshments. Sometimes all it takes to study better is a little snack, especially if you have Dining Dollars left!

The Den

Starbucks

Starbucks is another classic study spot for college students. The aroma of coffee, subtle lighting and distance from all the distractions of campus create a perfect atmosphere for studying. Hannah Hunter, a junior communication major, said she prefers studying there because she can plug in her headphones and focus, while still being around other people, allowing her to be both productive and social.



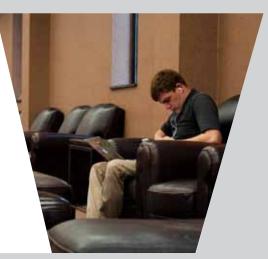


A unique study spot on campus is the Alumni Stadium bleachers. Whether day or night, this spot offers a pretty view, fresh air and the opportunity to run out any stress your homework may cause! You can do both your exercising and studying all in one place.

Stadium Bleachers

Mack Library

For students who like their peace and quiet while studying, the Mack Library is your ideal location. Take your pick of seats from comfy chairs or individual desks, plug in your headphones and, as of last semester, even eat a snack while you work! Accessibility to computers, printers and books for research makes this a convenient study spot.





Want to study in an open space

where you can catch a few rays of sunshine? Try the Gazebo by the Alumni Building. Tables and a peaceful environment make this location conducive to studying for students who enjoy being outdoors with friends.

Gazebo



Panera Bread

If you want to catch a meal and study for a couple of hours at the same time, try Panera Bread. Anja Maunula, a sophomore nursing major, said she loves to study there because the restaurant offers free refills on tea and serves delicious pastries. She said Panera doesn't have the commotion of a normal restaurant and even offers secluded corners that are perfect for peaceful, uninterrupted studying.