How to Do It

Start planning early for exams, and set aside a little bit of time every day. Five hours spread out over two weeks is better than the same five hours all at once.

Review information from each class, but not immediately after class.

After you review information from the most recent class, make sure to go back and study important older information to keep it fresh.

Hold On!

When you sit down to study, make sure you are using effective study strategies rather than just re-reading your class notes.

This may seem difficult and you may forget some information from day to day, but this is actually a good thing! This forces you to retrieve information from memory (see Retrieval Practice poster).

Create small spaces (a few days) and do a little bit over time, so that it adds up!

Research

Read more about spacing as a study strategy