Daisy’s Tips for Succeeding at San Diego State University

1. SDSU is not like high school or a community college: you need to pay your fees before you can register.

2. Know and understand University deadlines. Ignorance of deadlines is not an excuse. The last day to DROP, ADD, or change grading basis for fall 2015 is February 2, 2016.

3. Do not take major courses for CR/NC unless it states that this option is acceptable. Check with the adviser of your major.

4. Read the course syllabus carefully. It will contain important information about your class including attendance and late assignment policies.

5. Visit your instructors during their office hours. Office hours are a great time to ask those questions you may have been too shy to ask during class. And it gives your instructors the opportunity to get to know you as well.

6. Be on time for each class.

7. Prepare for each class as if there would be a pop quiz.

8. Try to make a friend in each class. If you have to miss a class, you can call your classmate to get updated on what you missed. Make sure to get notes for any classes you may have missed.

9. Find a good place to study.

10. Establish a routine study time. Getting into a rhythm at the beginning of each semester will help you stay focused and disciplined.

11. Visit your adviser regularly. For general university policies, such as General Education requirements, go to the Advising Office. For questions specifically about your major, see the departmental adviser.

12. Find a tutor if you need academic help. Take advantage of the library.

13. Use a planner or calendar to keep track of due dates and deadlines.

14. Familiarize yourself with the student services on campus. If you are lonely or depressed, seek counseling at the Counseling and Psychological Services office. Student Health Services is also there to assist with medical concerns.