

Supplemental Instruction

Supplemental Instruction (SI) is a nationally recognized academic support program offering free, out-of-class study sessions for traditionally difficult courses. Sessions are led by students who have successfully completed the course during a previous semester. During the sessions, students compare notes, organize their information, and predict test questions. Studies show students who regularly attend SI earn up to one full letter grade higher than the students who don't attend.



The SI leaders

All SI leaders are students, trained and supervised by the SI coordinator and professional staff members in the ACC Learning Lab. The SI leaders facilitate and encourage group learning of course material, and help you get the most out of your study time.

SI leaders know the subjects because they:

- Attend class with you
- Take class notes just like you
- Read all assigned materials
- Communicate regularly with professors
- Develop study sheets

The SI sessions

Sessions begin the second week of class and run until the end of the semester. Two to three sessions are held each week with extra sessions held at test time.

Attend once, or attend every session. The choice is up to you, but our data suggest that the more you attend, the higher your final grade will be in the course.

To get started

Your professor will discuss SI opportunities at the start of the semester. SI leaders work with students to schedule convenient times for the sessions. The sessions are informal; you only need to show up with your books, notes, and questions.

Which sections have SI?

Go to: austincc.edu/tutor/SI



what can SI do for you...

- **Learn how-to-learn while learning what-to-learn**
- **Work collaboratively with your peers**
- **Receive support from a trained SI leader**



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