

STUDENT LEARNING ASSISTANCE CENTER

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Texas State's Student Learning Assistance Center (SLAC) provides a wide range of academic support programs. Whether students are seeking help with course content, study skills, or test preparation, SLAC provides a variety of services including a walk-in tutoring lab, the Tutor Corps, Supplemental Instruction, campus presentations, and online services.

The SLAC Learning Lab provides academic assistance in accounting; sciences such as physics, biology, and chemistry; English; statistics; computer information systems; history; philosophy; languages such as Spanish; and a number of math courses. The Lab also contains study materials, handouts, and computer-assisted instructional software on a wide range of topics and levels, from correcting comma splices to preparing for graduate school. In addition to the Learning Lab, SLAC also houses Texas State's Tutor Corps, a veteran-to-veteran tutoring initiative providing academic support in a variety of courses.

Students may also visit SLAC for assistance in preparing for the admissions tests for graduate (GRE), law (LSAT), and business (GMAT) colleges as well as local tests such as the School of Journalism and Mass Communication's Punctuation, Usage, and Grammar (PUG) exam.

Supplemental Instruction, a nontraditional approach to collaborative learning, provides structured group study for students in historically difficult courses. Supplemental Instruction Leaders (SI's) act as role models and facilitate multiple study sessions per week in order to assist students, not only with course content, but also with the development of positive study skills and habits.

SLAC staff members also provide informational and interactive presentations on test-taking and anxiety management, learning styles, time management, note-taking, and other topics. Upon request, SLAC's staff will design specialized programs on study skills and academic improvement to fit the needs of a campus club, organization, or professor. In addition, SLAC works to facilitate the College Note-Taking session of BOBCAT Preview by showing incoming freshmen proper techniques and giving tips for successfully negotiating a college lecture.

SLAC also provides Texas State students with a number of online resources. By visiting www.txstate.edu/slac (<http://www.txstate.edu/slac>), students can access the Learning Lab's tutoring schedule and hours, times and locations of Supplemental Instruction sessions, information regarding becoming a lab tutor or SI Leader, content area handouts, and test preparation materials. SLAC also maintains an Online Writing Lab (OWL), providing tutoring in an electronic format accessible via email.