



SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY

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RETENTION AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS

TUTORING 101: MISCONCEPTIONS

TRUE OR FALSE

Clearing Up Common Misconceptions

- Students can only come to tutoring if they need help with a homework assignment or in preparation for an exam – **FALSE**
- Even if they are not currently struggling with course material, students are welcome to make an appointment if he/she would like to discuss challenging material – **TRUE**
- If I attend tutoring, then I am a *bad* student – **FALSE**
- Going to tutoring is a substitution for studying – **FALSE**
- Tutoring should be seen as a means to help improve oneself in a subject with the aid of a tutor, and utilizing tutoring services does not mean that the student seeking help is not intelligent – **TRUE**
- If I attend tutoring, the tutor will do my homework for me – **FALSE**
- Going to one tutoring session will instantly clear up every question you have and provide you with every tip for success that is currently in existence – **FALSE**
- A recent survey showed that 91% of students felt that the overall tutoring environment was friendly and welcoming -- **TRUE**
- Tutoring is just for students who are struggling in class. If I am *smart*, then tutoring won't be beneficial – **FALSE**
- Tutors are complete experts and professionals in the subject, and they are able to solve/answer every question – **FALSE**
- Almost 3/4 of students surveyed said that they felt that utilizing tutoring services helped them improve their course grade(s) – **TRUE**
- Tutoring is only for midterms and finals week to catch up on material from earlier in the semester, and it isn't helpful before those times– **FALSE**
- If I go to tutoring, then I will get an A – **FALSE**
- Tutoring Services are available on Sunday from 5:00pm-9:00pm and Monday-Thursday from 9:00am-9:00pm, and you can make an appointment through SLU Appointments (located within your "Tools" tab of your MySLU) -- **TRUE**