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Advanced Mentor Session Framework

Session: Assessment Strategies

Objectives for session:

- Assessment concerns are normalised,
- Proactive approaches to mitigating assignment issues are discussed and advanced,
- Students are encouraged towards seeing assessment as a learning opportunity rather than a final outcome/value judgement.

Useful resources:

- Group List (see https://s2svolunteer.tcd.ie)
- Room Number
- <u>Icebreaker suggestion list</u>
- Goal Setting Interactive Resource
- Active revision guide

Ideas for activities:

Welcome

• Help group feel connected to each other and have fun with an icebreaker.

Talk Around Topics:

Reflection on the Goal Setting interactive resource

If conversation is not forthcoming use the following questions.

- How can this help with essay/revision planning?
- What are the challenges to setting realistic goals?
- How important is it to include time for rest and play?

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Q&A session: upcoming assessments

 Invite questions from the group about upcoming assessments. See if others in the group can offer answers/suggestions rather than answering yourself.

Study strategies

If conversation is not forthcoming use the following questions.

- What do you find helpful when it comes to focusing on assignments/revision?
- What helps you to get a good grasp o the information you're trying to absorb?
- What are the biggest obstacles to preparing for assessments, and how do you overcome them?

Wrap-up

- Summarise discussion, including positive moments and further action
- Congratulate the group on finishing their first term, and ask them how they would like to engage after the holidays morse sessions like this? More socials?

Please remember to fill out the **feedback form** after the session!