Study/Learning Apps for College Students

For Notetaking

MyScript Smart Note
This app should suffice for taking notes on a tablet while studying in the library or your dorm room. The app allows you to edit your handwriting with special gestures. There’s also an adjustable palm-rest feature, a drawing mode, and you can insert media such as math equations, images, sound or PDF files from various cloud storage services including Dropbox and Evernote.

XMind
Use this app to take notes using the mind mapping method.

Evernote
Considered “the king” of note taking apps, with a feature set that combines bookmarking, composing, clipping and more.

For Studying

AccelaStudy (Apple)
The app uses “spaced repetition” to help with vocabulary retention for college freshman/graduate entrance exams, professional advancement or for language proficiency. In addition to search and organize features, there are several modes, including Study, Flashcard, and Quiz. This app is particularly useful to ESL/TOEFL students for whom English is not their first language.

GRE Vocabulary Builder (Android)
Similar to AccelaStudy.

Coursera.org
This is an online education site that has partnerships with many dozens of top colleges and universities in the United States and has curriculum course study materials and MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses). You can use Coursera’s Web site or mobile apps to study a selection of courses and supplement whatever you are learning at your college.

Brainscape (Apple)
Create flashcards to help you study.

Flashcards+
Create flashcards to help you study.

Quizlet
Create/use pre-made flashcards to help you study.

Mathway
This app will guide you step-by-step while you search for algebra, geometry, or any other math solution. Enter your task into the application, and check if your solution is the same with one offered.
**Duolingo**  
This app helps with studying and learning foreign languages.  
[http://www.literacy.uconn.edu/compre.htm](http://www.literacy.uconn.edu/compre.htm) (Good website with strategies for reading comprehension and text analysis).

[http://www.learningassistance.com/2006/january/mnemonics.html](http://www.learningassistance.com/2006/january/mnemonics.html) (This is examples of mnemonic connection techniques—all kinds—and even has some practice ones where students can try to come up with their own for remembering things).

[http://www.ucc.vt.edu/stdyhlp.html](http://www.ucc.vt.edu/stdyhlp.html) (Virginia Tech’s site has a ton of resources and links to help in study skills, etc.)

[http://www.studyblue.com/hello/fc.html?cid=f10_medA_tFC&utm_medium=adwords&utm_source=f10_medA_tFC&gclid=CPfY8Z-itaYCFQTrKgodhTmzGw](http://www.studyblue.com/hello/fc.html?cid=f10_medA_tFC&utm_medium=adwords&utm_source=f10_medA_tFC&gclid=CPfY8Z-itaYCFQTrKgodhTmzGw) (This site is super cool—it helps you create mobile flashcards that are digital and will show up on your cell phone or other mobile devices).


[http://www.accountingcoach.com/accounting-quizzes.html](http://www.accountingcoach.com/accounting-quizzes.html) (Practice quizzes and exams on different accounting subject matter). **You can do a search for any subject and “practice exams/quizzes” and come up with free sites for your students to practice on and improve their skills.**


[http://acct202.tripod.com/](http://acct202.tripod.com/) (This is an actual class website but has many past exams for practice and chapter outlines that would be helpful for students in accounting).

[http://www.studyspanish.com/](http://www.studyspanish.com/) (This one is help for learning Spanish with pronunciation guides and tutorials).

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**For Time Management/Organization**  
**iStudiez Lite** (Apple)  
The free Lite version allows you to manage one semester of up to five courses, 15 classes/exams per course, 15 assignments, five instructors and two holiday periods, and you can set alarms. Helps you map out your semester to organize your courses, assignments and exam schedules.

**Timetable** (Android)  
Similar to iStudiez Lite.

**Todoist**  
Use it track your course assignments, set reminders, bookmarking Web pages you visit and more.

**Any.do**  
Use this app for making to-do lists.
Clear
This is a to-do list app that can sync all your lists from different devices into one location.

http://www.lib.umn.edu/help/calculator/ (This is AWESOME—it’s an assignment calculator for paper writing. You plug in what assignments you have coming up, and it will calculate and plan a schedule of what you need to do so you can easily follow the schedule and get it done on time. It also shares resources for the particular subject matter along the way).

http://www.mindtools.com/pages/main/newMN_HTE.htm (Very awesome site. It has a ton of stuff for helping with time management, organization, and prioritization with many tools students can use like planners, schedules, and quizzes about their skills). Also see: http://www.mindtools.com/index.html.

http://calnewport.com/blog/2007/07/20/getting-things-done-for-college-students-the-full-system/ (This is an alternative organization method that has helped some people—David Allen’s “GTD or Getting Things Done” method. It’s based on a lot of simplifying and avoiding terms like “studying” that tend to scare people).

http://www.studysgs.net/schedule/ (This one is awesome help for time management. It has an online “where does my time go?” calculator that students could use to see how they are spending their time—similar to our Weekly Activity Chart, but it’s electronic and gives them choices. The on-line “To Do List” is also really awesome. It will help them map out priorities and how they will motivate themselves to get their stuff done!)

For money/budgeting
Mint.com
This is a money and budgeting app.

Oklahoma Money Matters
http://www.oklahomamoneymatters.org/ (This has tools for budgeting, loan management, credit, savings, etc.).

For citations in writing
EasyBib
Just enter a book’s title and get the right citation! All you have to do is copy this citation into your bibliography.

Motivation/Self-Help
SelfControl
This app blocks certain websites that can distract you from studying, and it does it for a set amount of time (such as social media).

http://www.dr-bob.org/vpc/virtulets.html (This is one of the best clearinghouses for information on various self-help topics from mental health to relationships to study skills.)
http://tep.uoregon.edu/resources/faqs/motivatingstudents/motivating.html (Site with lots of suggestions on helping motivate)

http://www.self-improvement-mentor.com/study-motivation.html (This is all about general self-improvement. It’s called the “Self-Improvement Mentor.” Great info on changing habits and also how to create a personal development plan).

http://www.phy.ilstu.edu/pte/310content/case_studies/resources/Difficult_Tutoring_Situations.pdf (This one has great advice on dealing with difficult tutoring sessions and why students may be struggling. It gives scenarios and then good responses should these issues come up with your students).

**Books and Study Materials**

**RealCalc Scientific Calculator**
Downloadable calculator.

**Chegg**
This is a textbook rental app. Just search for a book, and if they have it, put in an order. And when you no longer need a textbook, you can easily rent it again via Chegg.

**Test-Taking**
http://www.testtakingcentral.com/ (This one has a wealth of information on test-taking tips)