

#13 Show Up, Level Up - Making Attendance Count

Let's talk about something that directly impacts your success - showing up. Not just physically being here, but actually being present and engaged. This isn't about ticking boxes - it's about making the most of your time at college.

First up - why attendance matters. Missing sessions means missing more than just content. You miss discussions, examples, industry insights, and those crucial moments where things actually click into place. Plus, trying to catch up takes way more time than just being there in the first place.

Here's something people often overlook - attendance affects group work too. When you miss sessions, you're not just affecting your own learning. Your classmates rely on you for discussions, group projects, and shared learning. In the esports industry, reliability is crucial - this is where that habit starts.

Now, about engagement. Being here physically but scrolling through your phone isn't really attending. You need to actually participate. Ask questions, contribute to discussions, be part of the conversation. That's how you get the most value from each session.

Let's be practical about managing attendance. Life happens - we get that. But most issues can be managed if you plan ahead. Got work commitments? Talk to your tutors early. Having technical issues? Sort them before they become a pattern. Need to miss a session? Let people know and catch up properly.

Here's something crucial - patterns matter. Tutors notice them, even if you don't. Regular late arrivals, missing the same session repeatedly, always leaving early - these patterns affect both your learning and how seriously people take your commitment.

The college has specific attendance requirements. Know what they are. Understand what counts as authorized absence and what doesn't. If you're having issues that affect your attendance, talk to your personal tutor - they're here to help.

Remember - in esports and gaming, showing up consistently is part of being professional. Whether it's team practice, tournaments, or client meetings - reliability matters.

Right then - make attendance work for you. Be here, be present, be engaged. It's the simplest way to improve your chances of success."