

GS 102R: Academic Success Planning

Term: Fall 2026 | **Credits:** 1 Credit (Individually Guided) | **Grading:** Pass/Fail (70% to pass)

Location: Study Skills Center – McKay Library 252 | **Repeatable:** Up to 6 credits (Recommended until GPA $\geq$ 2.5)

Course Overview: GS 102R provides individualized academic support to strengthen study habits, manage deadlines, complete assignments on time, and improve academic performance. Students meet weekly with an Academic Skills Coach for personalized guidance.

WHAT THIS COURSE IS NOT: GS 102R is **not** content tutoring. It focuses strictly on planning, consistent follow-through, accountability, and long-term academic habits.

Location & Hours

Please note that the Study Skills Center (coaching) and the Study Hall operate on separate schedules.

- **Study Skills Center (McKay 252 - Coaching Appointments):**
 - Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00 AM – 5:30 PM | Tue, Thu: 9:00 AM – 6:45 PM
- **Study Hall (McKay 190 or Zoom - Point Recovery & Extra Credit):**
 - **Zoom Link:** <https://byui.zoom.us/j/98019912325>
 - Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00 AM – 5:30 PM | Tue, Thu: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Weekly Coaching Meetings & The 7-Day Plan

You are required to attend **13 in-person coaching sessions** (30 minutes each). Your selected section date and time during registration becomes your standing weekly appointment. Coaches are not required to reschedule appointments.

- **The 7-Day Plan Requirement:** You must submit your 7-Day Plan **on Canvas the day before** your scheduled coaching appointment. Refer directly to Canvas for explicit instructions on how to complete the planning process correctly.
- **Zoom Exception Policy:** Students living outside the Rexburg area may participate via Zoom. During Zoom sessions, you are expected to have your camera turned on, be fully present, and participate from a completely distraction-free environment.

Inside the 30-Minute Coaching Session

Your weekly meeting is a structured, two-phase audit:

1. **Past Week Review:** Review Canvas together to evaluate plan execution, check current grades, track attendance, and log missing assignments.
2. **Upcoming Week Strategy:** Audit your submitted 7-Day Plan for realistic, time-blocked slots. If point recovery is needed, a mandatory Study Hall block will be co-designed here.

Attendance & Absences

- **Course Attendance Requirement:** Because coaching appointments are the primary instructional activity in GS 102R, you must attend **at least 11 of the 13 required coaching appointments** to pass the course. Missing more than two coaching appointments will result in a failing course grade, regardless of your overall course percentage.
- **No-Show Policy:** You must notify your coach **at least 1 hour in advance** if you cannot attend. Missing without notice or arriving **more than 10 minutes late** results in an automatic **\$7.00 charge** applied to your student account.
- **Emergency Zoom Exception:** Local in-person students who are ill or facing an emergency may request a temporary Zoom session by messaging their coach **at least 2 hours prior** to their appointment time. **The Zoom meeting will only occur during your regularly scheduled appointment time.** Zoom is an emergency backup, not a convenience substitute. Late requests or failure to meet Zoom standards (camera on, distraction-free) will result in a standard No-Show.

- **Lowest Score Dropped:** To account for illness, sudden emergencies, and unexpected conflicts, your lowest weekly coaching score is automatically dropped from your final grade.
- **Coaching Recovery Form:** With advance notice, you can use this form **once per semester** to show engagement. It must be completed within **48 hours** of the missed meeting. (*Note: This does not excuse the 7-Day Plan submission*).

Bonuses & Extra Credit

- **Zero No-Shows Bonus:** Achieving zero unexcused no-shows over the entire semester earns a **3% bonus** applied directly toward your final cumulative grade.
- **Proactive Extra Credit (Up to 5%):** Don't wait until you lose points to use Study Hall. You can earn extra credit by attending Study Hall sessions proactively to stay *ahead* of your coursework. Credit is rewarded for productivity and meaningful effort, not attendance alone. To receive this credit, you must complete meaningful work aligned with your plan, submit a Study Hall Extra Credit Form, and have your productivity verified by the Study Hall coach.

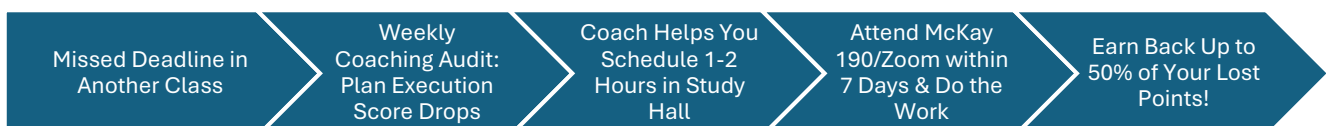
Weekly Grading Criteria (70% Minimum to Pass)

Criteria	Weight	Performance Description
Plan Execution	40%	Strictly follow your weekly plan, complete all time-blocks, and submit your coursework ahead of deadlines.
Coaching Engagement	25%	Attend all coaching sessions exactly on time, arrive prepared with Canvas open, and follow through on commitments.
Plan Quality	20%	Weekly plans must be complete, realistic, thoroughly time-blocked, and structured to submit work early.
Academic Goals	10%	Maintain a C grade or higher across university courses or show measurable upward trends in grades and effort.
Class Attendance	5%	Attend your regular enrolled university classes consistently and on time.

Study Hall: Your Built-In Productivity Lab

When you face challenges executing your study plan—evidenced by work not turned in on time, poor-quality submissions, or insufficient time on task—Study Hall (McKay 190 / Zoom) is your primary tool for point reclamation.

- **Coached Prescription:** If a Canvas audit reveals a missed assignment or a grade dropping below a C, your coach will help you schedule a Study Hall block into your upcoming 7-Day Plan. Completing this prescribed session and its recovery tasks within 7 days restores up to 50% of lost Plan Execution points. (*Accessibility accommodations allow for 100% recovery within 7 days.*)
- **Atmosphere:** You must arrive prepared with assigned work, execute a focused plan, and work in strict 25-minute intervals while showing visible academic progress to the Study Hall coach.



Accessibility Services

Students with documented disabilities should work closely with Accessibility Services to coordinate approved accommodations. Accommodations modify *how* course requirements are completed, not *whether* they must be completed.