## **Note Taking Tips**

- 1. Do your homework before you go to class.
- 2. Attend class lectures regularly.
- 3. Carry extra pens and pencils to class.
- 4. Take a tape recorder with you to record the lecture.
- 5. Take and keep notes in a large notebook, in order to use an outline form.
- 6. Keep your notes for each class separate from other classes.
- Do not try to take down everything that the lecturer says, it is impossible and unnecessary.
- 8. Try to take capture the main points.
- 9. Copy down everything on the board, regardless. Exam item??
- 10. Understand assignments/suggestions- ask questions if you are not sure.
- 11. Only write on one side of your paper. It is easier for you to organize your notes later.
- 12. If you miss some information, leave some black space where that information is supposed to go.
- 13. Write the examples.
- 14. Pay special attention at the end of the lecture, because a lot of information might be in the last 5-10 minutes.
- 15. Spend 10 minutes after class reviewing your notes.
- 16. Make flash cards for technical terms, ideas, or concepts.
- 17. Share notes with your classmates. Find one or two people who will exchange copies of notes.
- 18. Always take notes from your reading. If you highlight something, write it in your notes!