

Welcome to Week 6!

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As we enter **Week 6**, many of our students are starting to prepare for their midterm assessments. This is an important point in the semester where a little extra structure and clarity can make a big difference in how confident and prepared they feel. Here are a few ways you can support them this week:

☒ Provide Clear Midterm Expectations

- Let students know what the assessment will look like (format, length, key topics, weighting).
- Share practice questions, sample problems, or review materials when possible.
- Remind them to revisit weekly notes, labs, and any feedback you've already provided.

☒ Offer a Brief Review or Q&A Opportunity

- A short in-class review, recorded summary, or Q&A thread on Blackboard can help reduce anxiety.
- Even a quick "top concepts to focus on" list can guide students' study time.

☒ Reinforce Effective Study Strategies

- Encourage students to **start early**, break content into manageable pieces, and use active study methods.
- Suggest forming study groups or reviewing concepts in their own words to check for understanding.

☒ Highlight Available Supports

- Remind students of tutoring, learning centres, writing support, or relevant workshops (resource: <https://library.senecapolytechnic.ca/learningcentre>).
- Encourage them to reach out if they feel unsure about material before the midterm.

☒ Minimize Surprises

- Ensure all instructions, rubrics, due dates, and expectations are clearly posted on your syllabus and Blackboard.
- If anything has been updated, please highlight the changes so students aren't working from outdated information.