

# GPP NEWSLETTER

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Monthly Global Peer  
Program Highlights



## IN THIS ISSUE

Studying is hard and the midterms do not wait for us (sadly).

Don't miss out on the upcoming events and important dates in this newsletter.

Two of our mentors shared some tips and advice that helped them from their experience of studying for the exam.

Also, we've included some information about academic integrity and study resources that might help you in the future.

*We are almost there!  
Don't give up and stay motivated!*

~ GPP Peer Mentors

## TIMELY REMINDERS

### **Drop deadline: Nov. 12**

Last date to drop a course without receiving a grade

For more information, checkout:

<https://registrar.yorku.ca/enrol/dates/2021-2022/fall-winter>

### **Course Withdrawal period: Nov. 13 – Dec. 7**

Withdraw from a course and receive a grade “W” on transcript

For more information, checkout:

<https://registrar.yorku.ca/enrol/dates/2021-2022/fall-winter>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### [International Alumni Panel](#)

Nov. 4 | 12:00PM

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### [Study Permit Webinar](#)

Nov. 10 | 9:00AM

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### [YorkU Academic Resources Workshop](#)

Nov. 11 | 10:00AM

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### [In-Person Coffee Breaks](#)

Friday | 12:30PM

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### [Virtual Coffee Breaks](#)

Wednesday | 2:30PM

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### [Express Entry with IRCC](#)

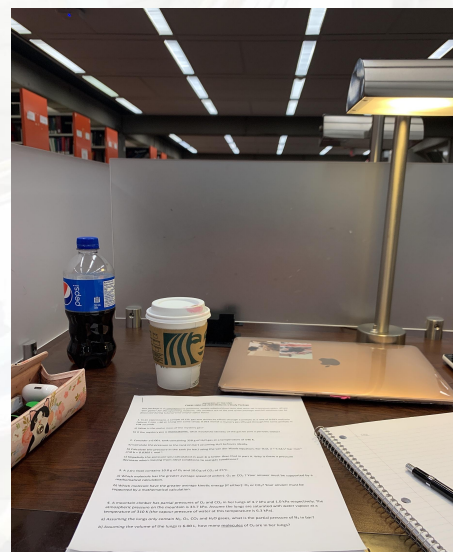
Nov. 22 | 10:00AM

## PEER MENTORS & MIDTERMS

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**Hyejung Kwon (Jay) (She/ Her):** During the midterm week, she spends most of her time studying over the lecture notes and quizzes. She suggests participating in the PASS (Peer-Assisted Study Session) program that is provided by York University for free. PASS sessions allow us to study in more detail with the PASS leader and the other students. She thinks that it would be a great opportunity to form a study group and study with other students!

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**Krishika Gupta (She/ Her):** Krishika is a 4th year information technology student from India. She plans her midterm schedule ahead of time to attain the work/study balance and allocate proper time to each. She believes in understanding the subject thoroughly and her note-taking strategy has helped her in such situation. She organizes her notes properly for each course during study sessions or lectures and uses them to prepare for her midterms. She believes that having good sleep, exercising, taking breaks and eliminating distractions are good practices for preparing effectively for midterms while reducing stress.







## ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

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Academic Integrity can be a perplexing concept especially if you are an international student. It can have different meaning in different cultural backgrounds.

York has a lot of resources that can help you understand the concept of academic integrity and stay academically integral throughout your program.

## DO's IN ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

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- Use Quotation marks when using another person's words directly and cite the source.
- Use citations when paraphrasing another person's ideas (not exact words).
- Get familiar with citation styles APA, MLA, Chicago.
- Read and understand the York Senate Policy on Academic Integrity to ensure you know what is and is not considered a breach of academic honesty.

## DON'TS IN ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

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- Copy answers on a test/quiz or other assignments from someone else.
- Do someone else's work for them.
- Give someone the test/quiz answers or get the answers from someone in advance.
- Pay someone/a company to do the work for you.
- Copy thoughts/ideas from other sources without citing your source – even if you are paraphrasing those.

## RELATED RESOURCES

[SPARK](#) (Student Paper & Academic Research Kit)

[Learning Commons](#)

[Writing Centre](#)

[ESL Open Learning Centre \(OLC\)](#)