Learning Resources

1. Education/program progression assistance

All students at PDA, both domestic and international, are required to follow the policies outlined in our **Student Handbook**. This includes detailed information about academic expectations, attendance, conduct, and more. We highly recommend reviewing the handbook carefully to familiarize yourself with the institution's policies and ensure a smooth academic experience.

You can access the Student Handbook online or request a copy from our administration team.

In line with our commitment to the PTIRU/EQA Regulations, we strive to provide comprehensive support to students throughout their academic journey. The Student Handbook outlines various accommodations and resources designed to assist students in their progression, ensuring their success and overall development.

One critical component of this support system is attendance management. Due to our strict attendance policy, the Academic Coordinator, Georgia Quiring, plays a key role in monitoring student attendance. She proactively tracks absences, advises students on the potential impact of missed classes, and notifies them accordingly. This system helps to ensure that students maintain consistent participation, which is crucial to their academic development.

In addition to attendance monitoring, the department heads, along with the Academic Coordinator, are available to meet with students to discuss any concerns related to their academic progression. These appointments offer an opportunity to review students' current standing in their program, address any challenges they may be facing, and develop personalized strategies for continued success. Whether it's course content, assessments, or time management, we are dedicated to helping students stay on track and reach their educational goals.

2. Learning support service

To help enhance students' learning experiences, we suggest accessing to a variety of online resources that support various aspects of study, from note-taking to academic writing. These tools are designed to assist students in organizing, reviewing, and reinforcing their learning materials. Below is a description of each resource, with direct links for easy access:

- **GoConqr**
  GoConqr is an online platform offering a range of study tools, including flashcards, mind maps, quizzes, and notes. Students can create custom learning resources to better visualize, organize, and reinforce their studies. This tool supports collaborative learning, allowing users to share their study materials with others.
- **Evernote**
  Evernote is a versatile note-taking application that allows students to organize their notes across

multiple devices. Its features include the ability to clip web pages, create to-do lists, and store multimedia content like images and audio recordings, helping students stay organized and focused during their studies.

- **Chegg Flashcards**
  Chegg Flashcards offers a platform where students can access millions of pre-made flashcards or create their own. This tool helps reinforce key concepts and terms by testing students on various subjects, enhancing their ability to retain information efficiently.

- **Marina Timer**
  Marina Timer is a simple but effective tool designed to help students manage their study time using the Pomodoro Technique. By breaking study sessions into focused intervals followed by short breaks, this resource aids in improving concentration and productivity.

- **StudyStack**
  StudyStack allows students to create flashcards and study games to reinforce learning. With a large collection of pre-made flashcards across various subjects, students can test their knowledge in an interactive and engaging way, improving retention and recall.

- **SchoolTraq**
  SchoolTraq is a homework and assignment tracking tool that helps students stay on top of deadlines and assignments. By organizing tasks and setting reminders, it ensures that students can plan and prioritize their work effectively, making it easier to meet deadlines and manage their time.

- **Grammarly**
  Grammarly is an advanced grammar and writing tool that assists students in improving their writing skills. It checks for spelling, grammar, punctuation, and style issues, offering suggestions for clearer and more professional writing. This tool is especially useful for assignments, essays, and any academic writing.

- **HippoCampus**
  HippoCampus provides free, high-quality educational videos, animations, and tutorials across various subjects such as mathematics, science, and humanities. It's a great resource for reinforcing classroom material and gaining a deeper understanding of challenging concepts.

- **Effective Study**
  Effective Study offers valuable tips, techniques, and strategies for academic success. From time management to active learning strategies, this resource helps students develop effective study habits that lead to better retention and improved grades.

- **My Study Life**
  My Study Life is an online planner designed specifically for students. It allows users to manage their study schedule, track assignments, and set reminders for exams and deadlines. By organizing all academic commitments in one place, it helps students stay organized and focused on their studies.

These resources are integral to supporting students in various aspects of their academic journey. By utilizing these tools, students can better manage their learning, stay organized, and enhance their overall study experience.