

What is at ECU?

Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) are flexible, fun and FREE peer-led group sessions that can help you study more effectively and boost your marks. PASS sessions are facilitated by PASS Leaders – second and third year students who have excelled in the unit in the past. These sessions give all students the opportunity to help each other in a friendly, relaxed environment.

Why attend PASS?

Whether you are a top performer or could use some improvement, you will benefit from the skills and understanding gained from attending PASS. Evidence shows that students who regularly attend PASS get better marks than non-participants, and are less likely to fail or withdraw from a unit. PASS is also a great way to connect with other students in your unit. PASS helps you:

- improve your understanding of unit content
- save time by studying more efficiently
- build your communication and teamwork skills in group sessions.

What happens in a typical PASS session?

PASS is normally a one hour session either in a classroom on campus or online via Blackboard. This peer-led session might include:

- reviewing lecture content and assigned readings
- group activities and discussions
- problem-solving and critical thinking activities
- tips on preparing for assignments or exams
- reviewing key unit concepts.

PASS does not replace lectures and tutorials. In fact, PASS is designed to enhance and support lecture material while giving students the opportunity to ask questions and test their knowledge in small groups without having to directly approach academic staff.

Does my unit have PASS?

Your Blackboard site will tell you whether your unit is PASS-supported. Check the site for session timetables. PASS sessions normally run from week 2 each semester.



Is PASS available for online students?

If PASS is run in your unit and you're an online student, check your Blackboard site for PASS Online session times and links. Online students are also very welcome to attend face to face sessions on Joondalup, Mt Lawley or Bunbury campuses.

Do I need to register?

No need to register, just sign up at the session.

PASS isn't available in your unit?

Fear not, there are many other resources that support your study at ECU:

- visit the [Academic Skills Centre](#) community site for details of online and face-to-face workshops for academic writing, study skills and exam tips.
- visit the [ECU Library homepage](#) for a range of resources to help you with your study.

[Student Hub](#) is your first stop for other enquiries you may have:

- visit [Got a Question? Ask Us](#) for advice on a range of issues.

