## **Student Academic Success Center (SASC)**

(Note from the 15-112 faculty: The following information is provided by SASC. While these resources exist outside of 15-112, we would encourage you to be aware of them and to use them if you need additional support. Please note that 15-112 and university policies regarding academic integrity still apply. This does not significantly limit your use of these resources, but for example you may not receive homework assistance or collaborate on any solo assignments. Instead, use these resources to review and practice new concepts and problem-solving strategies. If you are unsure if something violates our academic integrity policy, always ask the course faculty.)

SASC focuses on creating spaces for students to engage in their coursework and approach learning through a variety of group and individual options. We offer many opportunities for students to deepen their understanding of who they are as learners, communicators, and scholars. Our services and <a href="workshops">workshops</a> are free to the CMU community and meet the needs of all disciplines and levels of study. SASC programs to support student learning include the following (program titles link to webpages):

- Academic Coaching--This program provides holistic, one-on-one peer support and group
  workshops to help undergraduate and graduate students implement habits for success. Academic
  Coaching assists students with time management, productive learning and study habits,
  organization, stress management, and other skills. Request an initial consultation <a href="here">here</a>.
- <u>Peer Tutoring</u>--Peer Tutoring is offered in two formats for students seeking support related to
  their coursework. Drop-In tutoring targets our highest demand courses through regularly
  scheduled open tutoring sessions during the fall and spring semesters. Tutoring by appointment
  consists of ongoing individualized and small group sessions. You can utilize tutoring to discuss
  course related content, clarify and ask questions, and work through practice problems. Visit the
  webpage to see courses currently being supported by Peer Tutoring.
- <u>Communication Support</u>--Communication Support offers free one-on-one communication
  consulting as well as group workshops to support strong written, oral, and visual communication in
  texts including IMRaD and thesis-driven essays, data-driven reports, oral presentations, posters
  and visual design, advanced research, application materials, grant proposals, business and public
  policy documents, data visualisation, and team projects. Appointments are available to
  undergraduate and graduate students from any discipline at CMU. Schedule an appointment (inperson or video), attend a workshop, or consult handouts or videos to strengthen communication
  skills. Specific <u>resources</u> for multilingual students are also available.
- <u>Language and Cross-Cultural Support</u>--This program supports students seeking help with language and cross-cultural skills for academic and professional success through individual and group sessions. Students can get assistance with writing academic emails, learning expectations and strategies for clear academic writing, pronunciation, grammar, fluency, and more. Make an appointment with a Language Development Specialist to get individualized coaching.
- <u>Supplemental Instruction</u> (SI)--This program offers a non-remedial approach to learning in historically difficult courses at CMU. It utilizes a peer-led group study approach to help students succeed and is facilitated by an SI leader, a CMU student who has successfully completed the course. SI offers a way to connect with other students studying the same course, a guaranteed weekly study time that reinforces learning and retention of information, as well as a place to learn and integrate study tools and exam techniques specific to a course. Visit the website to see courses with SI available here.