Lecture title:

Lecture 1B: The transition from high school to university 2:

Strategies for overcoming common issues

Questions/Keywords	NOTES
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analogy (n) a	General advice
comparison between	Advice on how to deal with
one thing and another, typically for the	o amount of unstructured time
purpose of	 different student-teacher relationship
explanation or clarification	 unfamiliar types of academic work
Clarification	
agency (n) very little	1. General advice
control over one's own life	Lose some privileges while gaining others when starting university life.
Own me	$\it e.g.$ able to influence the world around them and make their own independent
	choices.
	 Change is positive and inevitable – best to accept the changes to enjoy the new experience / embrace change
	experience / embrace change
inevitable (adj)	
cannot avoid it	2. Amount of unstructured time
	Adams and Blair (2019)
	 direct link between student time management and marks received / lower levels
	of stress and anxiety
	Advice:
	1. Prioritise – give more importance to something. Be able to decide what to do first
	and how much time to allocate to each task
	2. Organise – use time effectively to save time (e.g. create schedule for deadlines; use
	calendar/diary to plan your time)
	→ be flexible and make changes to your plan
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	3. Teacher-student relationship
	High school – closer
	University – distant
	n dutes.
	Advice: Try to become autonomous / independent
	- not waiting for teacher but being proactive
	Wang (2018) – autonomous learning increases students' results, motivation and enjoyment
	of learning
	- Teacher = resource, support
	- Student controls learning

4. Unfamiliar academic work

- Achieve deeper understanding of complex issues
- Support with own opinion and research
- Can be challenging but rewarding

Advice:

1. Make use of available resources

University provides a variety of resources – study spaces, books & materials, advisors (e.g. workshops & individual tutorials)

2. Talk to other students

Form study groups – discuss opinions and compare what you have learned Help each other to figure out and become more autonomous

Conclusion

- The challenges of being a new university student can be overcome
- Embrace change
- Improve time management: prioritise & organise
- Accept new role more active & independent student
- See teacher as a guide
- Deal with new type of work use available resources and other students

Summary

Transition to university life comes with several challenges and it is best to embrace and accept the changes to enjoy the new experiences. The first challenge of managing time effectively can be addressed by prioritising and organising activities. The second challenge is not to depend on teachers solely and this can be overcome by becoming an autonomous student. Autonomy can help increase a student's results, motivation and enjoyment of learning. The final challenge is the complexity of unfamiliar academic tasks and the advice is to use the available resources and to collaborate with peers.