CE 473/573 Groundwater
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Advice from previous students

1. Attend class and take good notes.
2. Read the textbook.
3. Do all homework problems, work all problems to completion, and be sure to understand the concepts behind each problem.
4. Try the optional homework problems.
5. Start homework early so that you can ask questions.
6. Ask questions during class because Prof. Rehmann will take the time to clear up confusion.
7. Study the homework comments.
8. Plan your time carefully because with a heavy load you might fall behind.

Some of this advice is echoed in the book *Losing My Cool: How a Father’s Love and 15,000 Books Beat Hip-Hop Culture* by Thomas Chatterton Williams:

I had a new strategy for handling my class work, too. I had been talking with my friend Paul, who was a straight-A student seemingly without breaking a sweat, and I asked him what I could do to get better grades. “How can I get on your level?” I asked.

What he told me sounded simplistic, but he swore it was the secret to success: “Never miss class.”

“That’s it?” I said.

“I’ve never missed a class, and when I go I pay complete attention. That’s it. If you just do those two things, I guarantee that you will see an improvement in your grades,” he explained. Well, I’m going to do that, I thought.

* Which is pretty good, if R-rated.