

# Twelve test-taking tips

When writing the Final Test, these strategies can assist you.

# **Get ready**

Make sure you bring what you need to write the test.

#### Relax

Get comfortable and prepare all your materials when you sit down. You've studied; you're prepared.

## **Brainstorm**

Write down any key facts or formulae that you studied but find difficult to remember.

### Scan the test

Make sure the test given to you has the correct course code on it. Look over the entire test before you start and notice the marks/recommended timing for each section.

## **Budget your time**

Consider the total time you have and the marks for each section to determine how long you should be spending on each question. For example, if a question is worth 25% of the test, you should spend up to 30 minutes on that question.

# **Read everything**

Read carefully the instructions, questions and answer choices. Highlight key words and parts of the question to help you answer correctly and completely. If something on the test is unclear ask for clarification.

## **Build confidence**

Answer the questions you know first. Make sure you answer all parts of the question, point for point.

# Be strategic

Answer the questions worth the most next.

# **Answer everything**

If you get stuck on a question, put a mark beside it and come back to it later. A partial answer is better than leaving an answer blank.

## Master multiple choice

Consider all answer choices and select the best answer. If unsure, eliminate any choices that cannot be correct. If all else has been tried and you are still unsure, take a guess.

## Pace yourself

Check time regularly and monitor your pace throughout the test.

### **Review**

Review your answers and make any necessary corrections only if you are absolutely sure.