

Where should I study next?

Looking for a new place to study, but don't know where to start? Take this quick assessment to see what your ideal study location is. Keep in mind that one location might work better for you on some days or for some classes, but another might be better for others.

A

- I get easily distracted by noise and people around me.
- I like studying in quiet study rooms.
- I am the most focused when it's quiet.
- I like to study around people who are also studying.
- I like to have a study routine in a structured environment.

B

- Studying in spaces where there's a lot of noise energizes me and keeps me focused.
- It is easy for me to stay focused
- I like studying in cafes.
- I work best in spaces that are not super quiet.
- I like to be near food when I am studying.

C

- I like working in spaces where I can freely talk to my friends/classmates.
- I don't like traditional study spaces, such as the library or in my room.
- I enjoy spaces that are not too quiet nor too loud.
- I want to study at a central location on campus.

D

- I like studying in a new space every day.
- I want to explore different study spaces around campus.
- Looking for new, secret spaces to study excites me.
- Most conventional study locations don't work for me.

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If you checked more boxes in Group A:

The Gleeson Library might be the best spot for you! The different floors have their own style and level of noise. Some floors may be more quiet than others. For example, the Atrium room on the first floor has great natural lighting and is a quiet space for solo work. You can also reserve your own study room for yourself or group projects. Reserve your room here: <https://libcal.usfca.edu/reserve/groupstudy>



If you checked more boxes in Group B:

The first and second floors of the University Center have couches, tables, and chairs to study/do work in. Due to the heavy foot traffic, it does create a more chaotic environment that is great for those who can focus easily and enjoy the background noise. Plus, both floors have direct access to snacks and/or coffee. At the UC 1 and UC 2, you never have to worry about talking to your friends or crunching on your chips too loudly.



If you checked more boxes in Group C:

The University Center's upper three other floors aren't as loud and chaotic as the bottom two floors. UC 3, 4, and 5 are work spaces for USF staff members, so you can trust that it will never be too quiet or too loud. You can find various offices in the UC, such as CASA, Cultural Centers, Career Services, and Housing. The UC has desks, couches, and conference rooms you can use after work hours.



If you checked more boxes in Group D:

The UC and Gleeson Library are common study spaces for students, however, there are many other spaces to explore. Here is a list of additional study locations for you to explore:

- Kalmonvitz Hall
- Lo Schiavo
- Malloy Hall
- McLaren Conference
- Law Library
- School of Education Cafe Lounge
- Wolf & Kettle Cafe (Lone Mountain)
- Del Santo Reading Room (Lone Mountain)



10 Tips from students for students

Student Tip #1
Find a space
that works for
YOU

Student Tip #2
Turn your
cellphone off!

Student Tip #3
Utilize the
Learning Center

Student Tip #4
Studying in large public
spaces is a good way to
hold yourself accountable
for staying on tasks

Student Tip #5
Know your noise
and distraction
comfort level

Student Tip #6
Plan your
day/study session
out

Student Tip #7
Find out what time
of day you study
best

Student Tip #8
Communicate with
your professors and
go to office hours

Student Tip #9
Drink lots of water
and bring snacks

Student Tip #10
Create a
schedule/routine