

# **Healthy Hacks**

College life is hectic, and there does not seem to be enough hours in the day to always be thinking of ways to be healthy. Here are some quick healthy hacks you can add into your schedule to ensure you are being your healthiest self:

GETTING MORE MOVEMENT: Take the stairs more often than taking the elevator. Get more movement by biking, walking, or parking further away from your classes/dorm. Wear comfortable shoes throughout the day (it is easier to get more movement when your feet are comfortable!). Do squats or lunges while brushing your teeth.

Study such as apples + peanut butter, grapes, dried fruit, or fruit leathers. Set a reminder on your phone or smartwatch to drink water or carry a reusable water bottle with you. Choose whole wheat bread instead of white. Not a fan of whole wheat? Try Sara Lee's white bread made with whole grains or have one slice of white bread and one slice of whole wheat bread for your sandwich. Toss veggies into a blender for added nutrients in your smoothies.

STUDYING/SLEEPING: Take breaks to stretch and breathe to help reset your focus. Take a walk around campus or sign up for a rejuvenating yoga class to refresh. Set a time limit for social media use. Social media can take up time and even become a distraction; set boundaries for social media so you can free up more time for healthy activities. Power down at night. Light from our devices delays the release of melatonin, the hormone responsible for regulating our sleep-wake cycle; try reading a book or listening to some calming music if you do not feel sleepy right away.

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## Apple Pie Overnight Oats



### **INGREDIENTS**

2 cups old-fashioned oats

1 2/3 cups unsweetened almond milk

2/3 cup apple pie filling, chopped into small pieces

1/3 cup nonfat plain Greek yogurt

3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 cup low-fat granola cereal

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Combine oats and almond milk until wellmixed. Cover and place in refrigerator for at least 12 hours or overnight.
- 2. Add apple pie filling, yogurt, and cinnamon to oat mixture. Stir to combine.
- 3. Place 1 cup apple pie oats into a bowl or glass.
- 4. Top with 1 tablespoon granola.

NOTE: Parfaits can be prepared up to 48 hours ahead if desired.



