SXU Online Tutoring - Smarthinking

Smarthinking is an online tutoring program for SXU students.

1. You can access Smarthinking on [SXU Canvas](#).

2. Clicking on any of your courses on canvas.

3. Click on the **Smarthinking Online Tutoring** tab on the left column (See Figure 1)
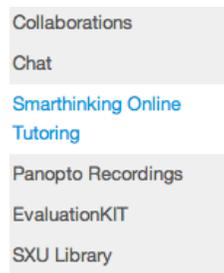
Figure 1

Note: If it gives you this page (See Figure 2):
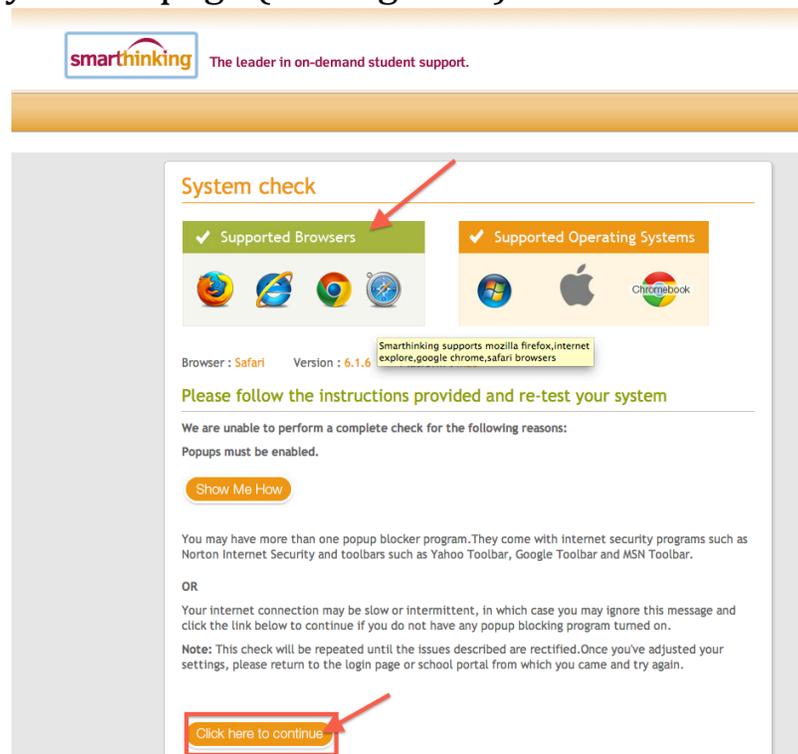
Figure 2

Check to see if you have a compatible browser and select the orange **Click here to continue** button.

4. Smarthinking has online tutors to help you with a wide variety of subjects (See Figure 3).
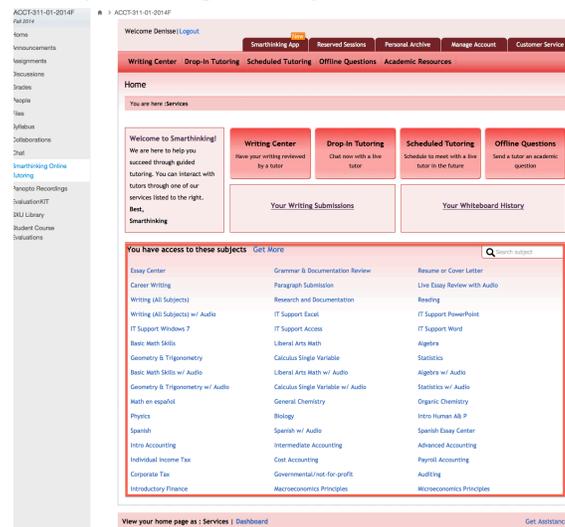
Figure 3

5. There are four main options to choose from to obtain the help in the subject you may need (See Figure 4).

Figure 4

a) The **Writing Center** is a great tool to use to have your essays reviewed before you turned it in. Turn in a well-reviewed essay by having an online tutor review what you are struggling with the most By clicking on the **Writing Center** option, it will take you to an online form that needs to be filled out with information on the essay.

Note: Make sure to submit the essay to be reviewed with enough time before it is due.

Smarthinking tutors can help you with up to 2 main areas you may have concerns about in the essay (See Figure 5).

Select up to two areas in which you need help * :
- Main Idea/Thesis
- Content Development
- Organization
- Introduction/Conclusion
- Use of Resources
- Transitions
- Grammar & Mechanics
- Sentence Structure
- Word Choice

Figure 5

b) The **Drop-In Tutoring** option is a great tool to use if you need in-the-moment help with a subject. There is an online tutor that will be available to help with any questions you may have. When clicking on the **Drop-In Tutoring** option, it will ask you to select the subject you need help with.

Note: If the subject you are looking for is not currently available (gray lettering), you can submit an **Offline Question** (See Figure 6).
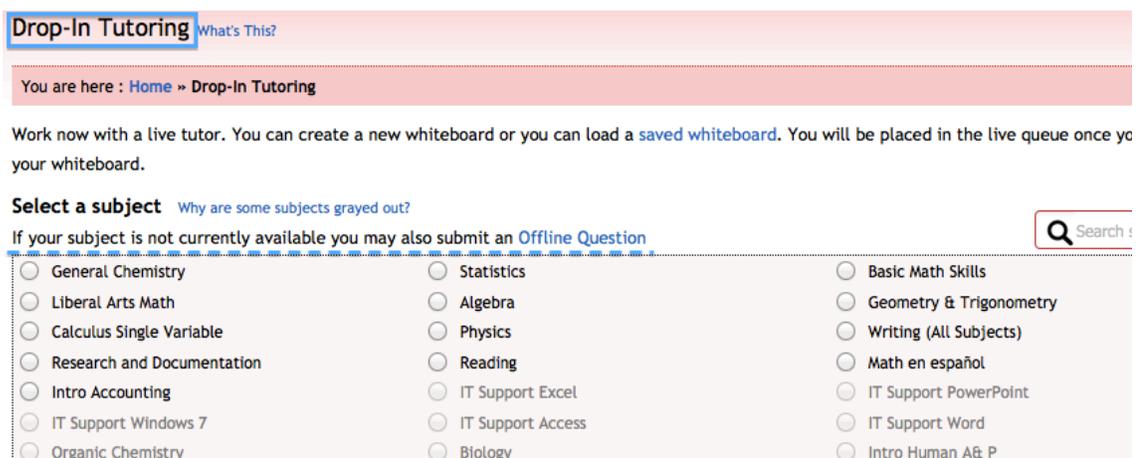
Drop-In Tutoring What's This?

You are here : Home » Drop-In Tutoring

Work now with a live tutor. You can create a new whiteboard or you can load a saved whiteboard. You will be placed in the live queue once yo your whiteboard.

Select a subject Why are some subjects grayed out?
If your subject is not currently available you may also submit an Offline Question

General Chemistry	Statistics	Basic Math Skills
Liberal Arts Math	Algebra	Geometry & Trigonometry
Calculus Single Variable	Physics	Writing (All Subjects)
Research and Documentation	Reading	Math en español
Intro Accounting	IT Support Excel	IT Support PowerPoint
IT Support Windows 7	IT Support Access	IT Support Word
Organic Chemistry	Biology	Intro Human A& P

Figure 6

After selecting the subject, a WhiteBoard will open up where you can input your questions and interact with a tutor.

Note: Make sure you allow pop-ups in your browser in order for the WhiteBoard to appear. Once finished, you can click on the **Exit** button on the top right of the screen. It will give you options before you close out as to what you want to do with the information on the WhiteBoard (See Figure 7).
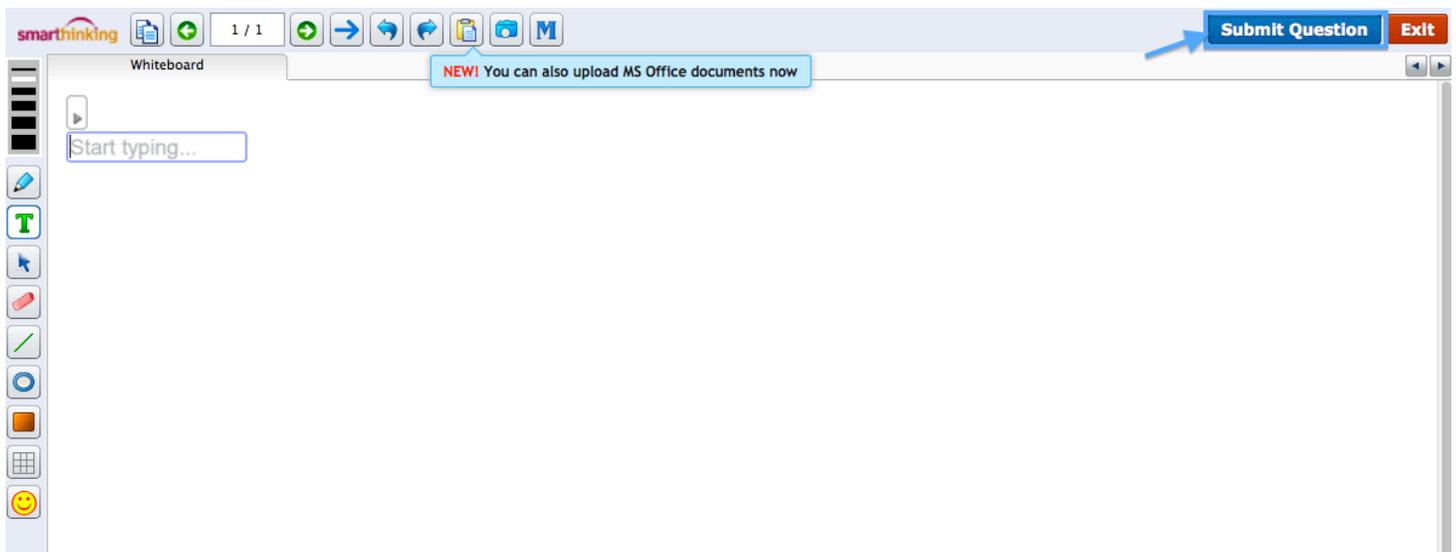
Figure 7

If you **End Session and Save Question**, you can always go back to your saved WhiteBoard questions by clicking on the *Your WhiteBoard History* on the main page (See Figure 8).
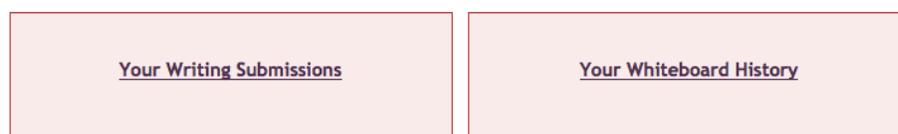
Figure 8

c) The **Scheduled Tutoring** option is a tool that works well in accommodating your busy schedule and making sure that you receive the tutoring you need in the future. Schedule an appointment with an online tutor by clicking on the **Scheduled Tutoring** option and fill in the needed information (See Figure 9).

Scheduled Tutoring What's This?

You are here : Home » Scheduled Tutoring

Reserve time to work with a live tutor. Scheduled sessions must be reserved 48 Hour(s) in advance. To see a list of your pending sessions look in Reserved Sessions.

What subject would you like help in?

Search subject

Live Essay Review with Audio	Writing (All Subjects) w/ Audio	IT Support Excel
IT Support PowerPoint	IT Support Windows 7	IT Support Access
IT Support Word	Basic Math Skills	Liberal Arts Math
Algebra	Geometry & Trigonometry	Calculus Single Variable
Statistics	Basic Math Skills w/ Audio	Liberal Arts Math w/ Audio
Algebra w/ Audio	Geometry & Trigonometry w/ Audio	Calculus Single Variable w/ Audio
Statistics w/ Audio	Math en español	General Chemistry
Organic Chemistry	Physics	Biology
Intro Human A& P	Spanish	Spanish w/ Audio
Intro Accounting	Intermediate Accounting	Advanced Accounting
Individual Income Tax	Cost Accounting	Payroll Accounting
Corporate Tax	Governmental/not-for-profit	Auditing
Introductory Finance	Macroeconomics Principles	Microeconomics Principles

Figure 9

d) The last option is **Offline Question** that can be used to submit a question to a tutor when a tutor is not currently available online to help (See Figure 10).

Figure 10

You can find additional help in the **Academic Resources** tab located at the top of the home page for Smarthinking (See Figure 11).

Figure 11

There, you will find a Smarthinking guide that can help answer any questions you may have on how to use the Smarthinking resource. You can also practice on how to use the WhiteBoard (See Figure 12)

Figure 12