Several graduate programs in the College of Business at University of Houston-Clear Lake are offered in semesters that are only eight weeks long. This format will help you complete your degree more efficiently to maximize the return on your investment – but the eight week academic calendar can be stressful.

With these three tips, you can achieve academic success and advance your professional career!

**TIP 1: COMMIT!**
- Buy your course materials as early as possible
- Introduce yourself to the professor for each course

**TIP #2: GET INFORMED!**
- Log into Blackboard the first day you have access
- Read the syllabus
- Read the assigned materials for your first week
- Enter the due dates for your assignments, projects and exams into your personal calendar

**TIP #3: STAY ENGAGED!**
- Communicate regularly with your professor and other faculty members
- Form a study group with your classmates
- Reach out for help before it’s too late

For additional support, we encourage you to contact any of the wonderful student resources here at UHCL:

**College of Business Academic Advising:** www.uhcl.edu/business/advising  
**Student Success Center:** www.uhcl.edu/student-success-center  
**Writing Center:** www.uhcl.edu/writing-center