

John is a new student at UCSD. He enrolled in four classes this quarter, and is ready to do the best he can academically. The problem is, he has to go to four different course websites for information on due dates, labs, tests and finals, review sessions, required readings, and so on. He has to write down all of this information in his planner and update it quite often. He even checks his email every day to make sure he doesn't miss an important announcement or go to a lecture that has recently been cancelled. In addition, he would like to join a club, but has to go through a maze of web pages to find the information he needs. John, being very lazy, wishes somehow everything could be simpler.

Well, that's where the Unified Academic Planner comes in. It's a new tool at the UCSD website that gives John all the crucial information he needs in one stop. Teachers connect online to create calendars for their courses. Students like John receive all of the course information in one calendar. In addition, clubs, sports teams, and other student organizations update information online so that John doesn't have to lift a finger to stay organized. He simply logs on to Tritonlink and finds out that next Thursday there's a film club meeting, a bio lab, and a quiz in physics. John scrolls over the quiz icon to find out the time and place of the quiz, how much it's worth, and what chapters he has to read to prepare for it. On Friday, he sees he has a lot of math homework due, so he clicks the assignment due icon and a new item appears on his checklist. Now he knows exactly what he has to do when he gets home from school. John wants to try out for the Tennis team so he checks Sports in his Show Events tab. He This puts down all the sports information he could want this month. John goes to the top and flips two months ahead of time. He sees when all his finals are and what to review for them.