



### FIGHTING NOVEMBER BLUES

WELCOME & SUPPORT



Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2025



## SAA

Learning Support Service (Service d'aide aux apprentissages)

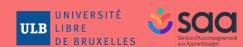






### Academic year





### Create your own planner

Conception

Professor's requirements

List the courses and tasks needed to pass each of them

Identify in your planner the slots you can use to work

Distribute the workload week by week

Adjust

Specify the objectives day by day

Check your progress week by week

**Utilisation** 



You also need to eat, sleep, move around and entertain yourself





Visualise passing, the satisfaction, the relief, the post-exam freedom, the pride

Remember your previous experiences of success

Imagine yourself into the pleasant moments

Take the control back over your thoughts

### Get motivated

Act on your thoughts





### I choose to act on ...

My feeling of effectiveness



- Divide
- Look for resources
- Act on your thoughts

The meaning I give to my work



- Think about the meaning and utility
- Cultivate the pleasure
- Prioritise value-added tasks

Hunting for distractors



- Keep distractors away
- Alternate between moments of works and of relaxation

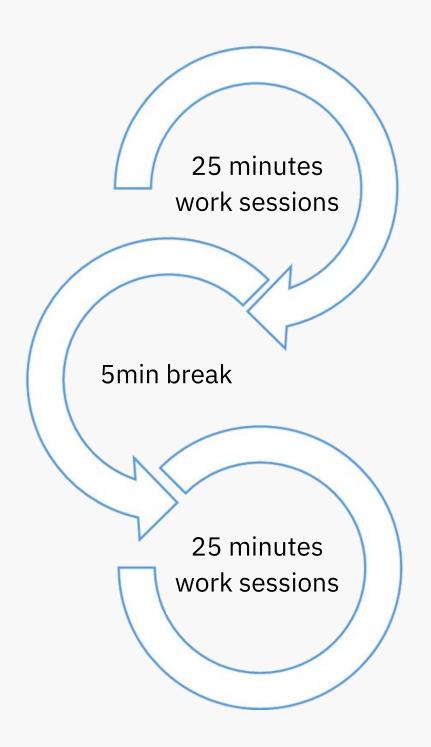
Organisation and deadlines



- Plan
- Set your priorities
- Set deadlines
- Start small

# The pomodoro method





... After 5 sessions of 25 minutes : longer break (20 to 30')



# PsyCampus Service de Santé Mentale à l'ULB

Rob Kaelen, psychologist

# Be in touch with your well-being

- It's okay to not be okay
- Take time for selfare
- Reach out to people around you
- Talk to a (mental) healthcare professional

# It's okay to not be okay

Difficult to admit we're having a tough time

Beware of comparisons to others

• Emotions are useful, it's all about balance

What are my needs?

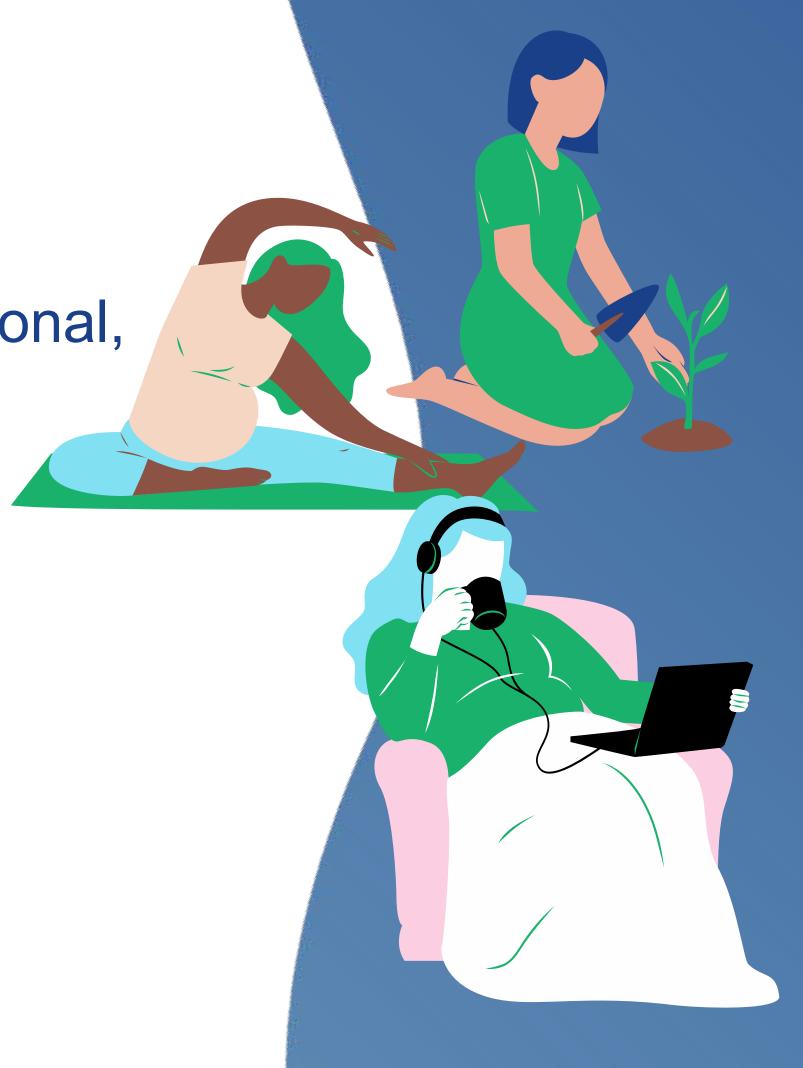


### Self-care

Activities that improve mental, emotional, social and physical well-being

What recharges your batteries?

- something we want to do, not something we have to do
- be kind with yourself
- beware of comparisons to others



### Reach out

- It's OK not to be OK
- Would it help to share?
- Is there something that keeps me from sharing?
- Who could be a resource?



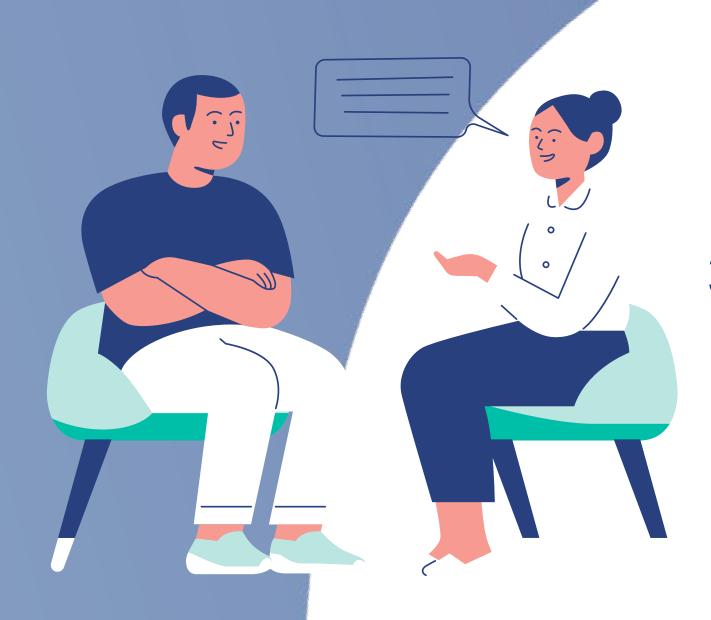


# Talk to a mental health professional

We tend to ask ourselves questions:

- When is the right time?
- Do I suffer enough?
- Am I taking someone else spot?

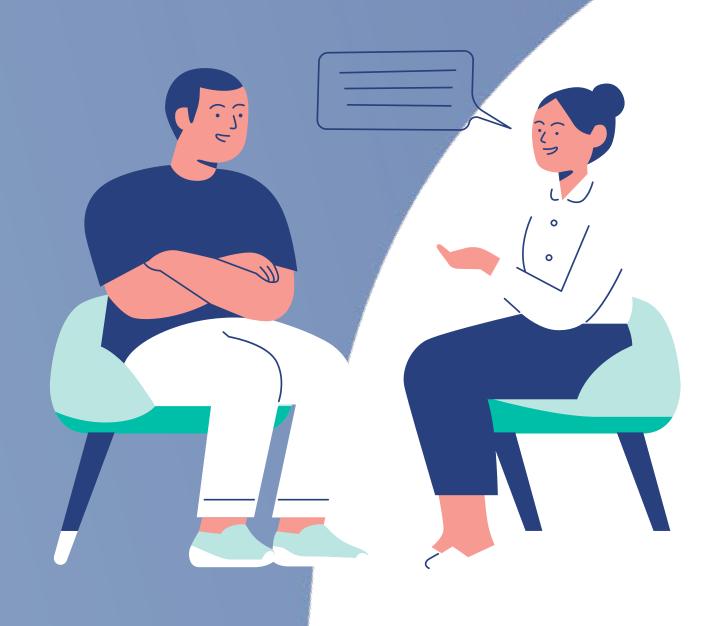
It's okay to ask for help



# Where to ask for help?

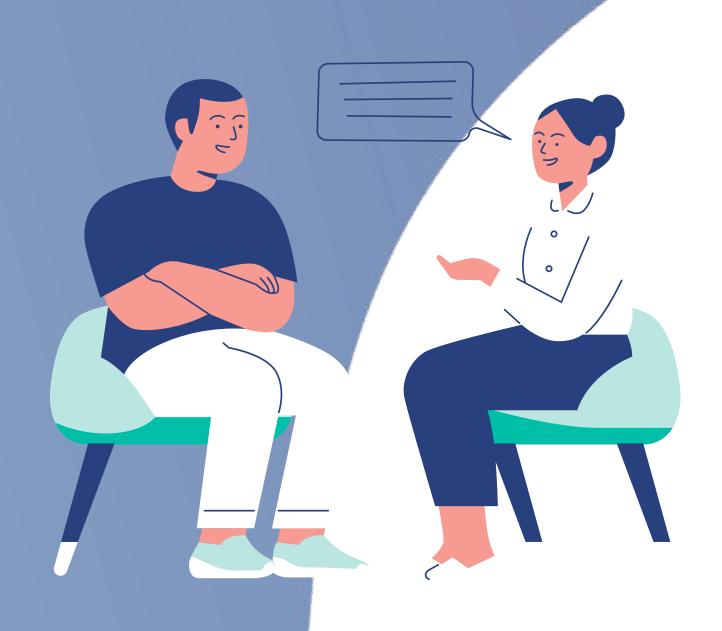
### 3 options:

- Private sector
- Public centers : Services de santé mentale (mental health centers) or centres de planning familial (// planned parenthood)
- 1st line psychologists (psybru.be)



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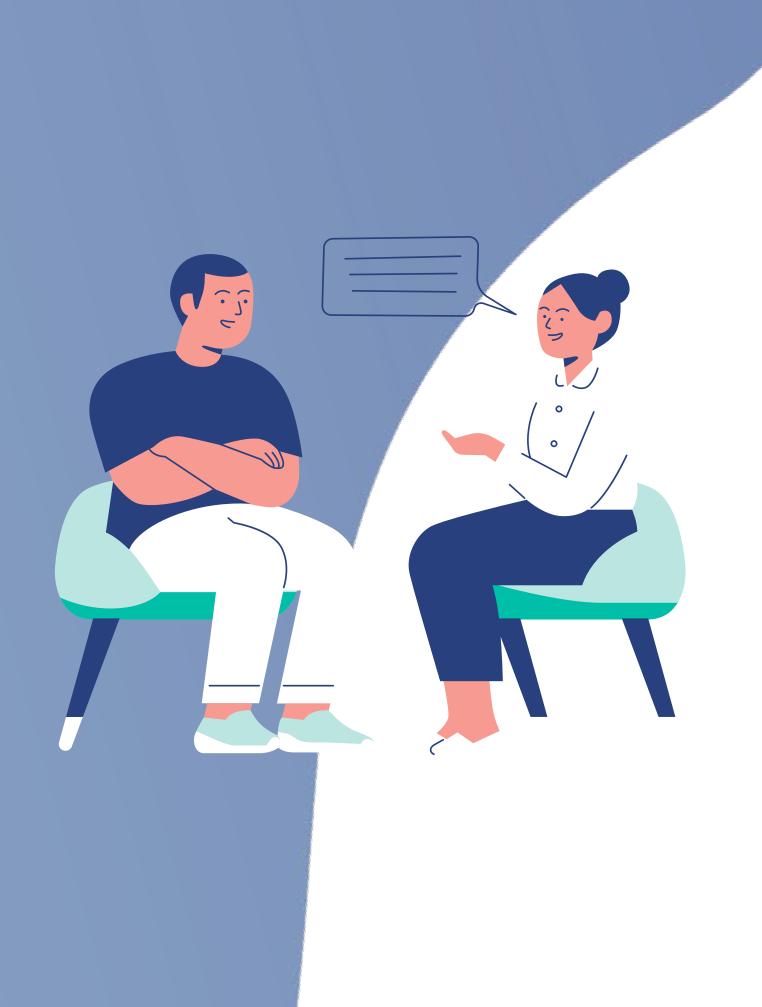
- Service de Santéentaleà l'ULB
- Psychological support for higher education students
- Psychologists et psychiatrists8€/session maximum
- Intake and referral service



# PsyCampus is here for you

To place a new request, call us on working days (except Tuesdays) between 10 and 12am: 0471 20 56 38 0471 20 56 34

If you'd like to call in English, preferably call on Thursday





# Thank you!



#### Public Health Service: Prevention & Promoting Health

enable people to increase control over their own health

#### **Reminder from World Health Organization:**

"Health is a state of complete **physical**, **mental** and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity."

Different factors determine your health: disease, genetic, sleep, nutrition, exercices, social network, stress, habits, financial security, housing, politics, air quality, ...

#### **ULB Santé here to help you :**

- to find services:
- doctor, psychologist, but also legal service aid, sport,...
- to control your own health: get some knowledge and improve your capacity through our games, conferences, workshop, posters, ...

More informations on our website: ulb.be/sante & Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: ULB\_Sante

### Agenda

- « Déclic Santé Mentale » :
   conferences & workshop about
   Mental and Social Health
   → from 3th to 14th november
   Solbosch Plaine Erasme
- « Let's Meet » : new buddies
   → 19th november Solbosch
- « Danse ton silence » :
   project to fight against sexual violence
   and street harassment
   → 26th november Solbosch

- What were you wearing? »
   Exhibithion
   project to fight against sexual violence
   and street harassment
   → 2th 30th december Erasme
- « Echoes »
   movie & discussion about
   gynaecological violence
   → 15th december Erasme
- « Let's Meet » : new buddies
   → 17th december Solbosch

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### Any questions?

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