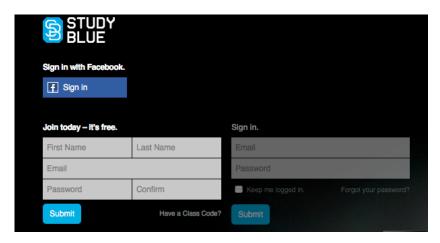
## **Using StudyBlue**

Study Blue allows you to create a free account, then create online flashcards, upload your notes, and share with other students in your class. Since you organize notes by your school and the class name, anyone else at UVM enrolled in the same class will be able to view and use your study materials. Which means you can use their flashcards to study, too. It is a great way to form "study groups" you can participate in at 3:30 in the morning or to share and compare notes for class. I type faster than I print, so it was a quick way to make 200+ vocab flashcards to study for the GRE. And, the site will create quizzes for you to take when it's time to study. Check it out!

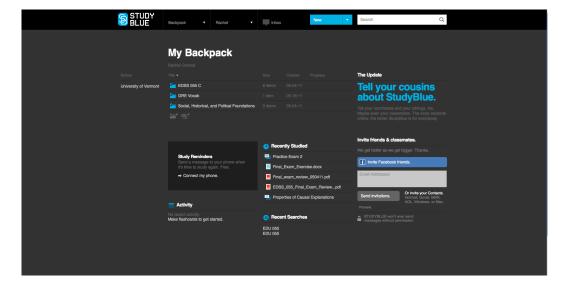
Step One: Create an account.

It's free to join. Just enter your email address and a password and you're ready to get started.

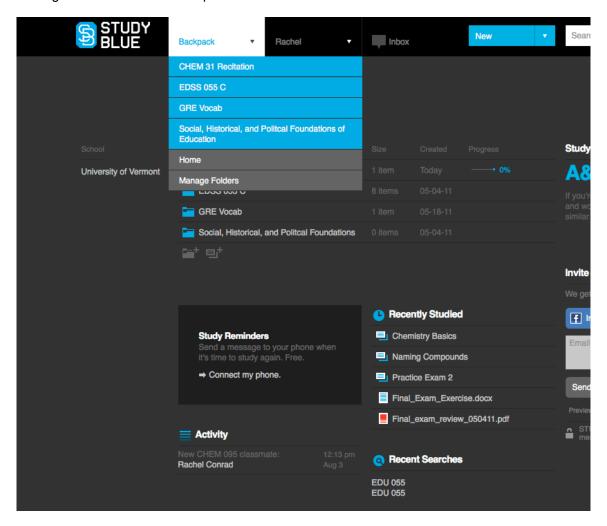


Step Two: Add your UVM courses.

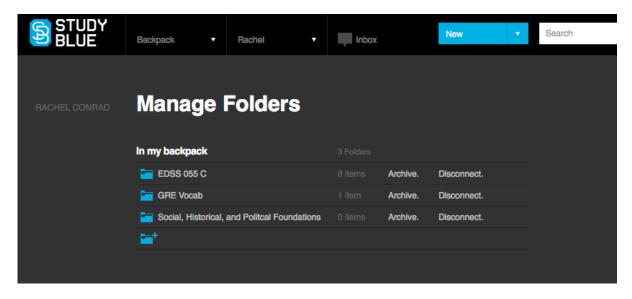
Once you're logged in, your homepage, or "backpack" will look like this:



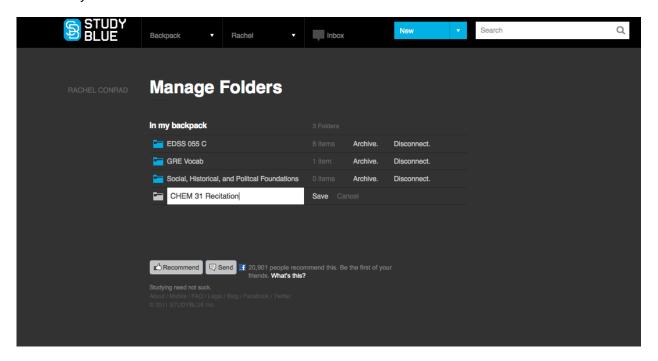
When you toggle over the "My Backpack" tab at the top left of the screen, you will be given the option to "Manage Folders." Select this option.



The "Manage Folders" screen will look like this:

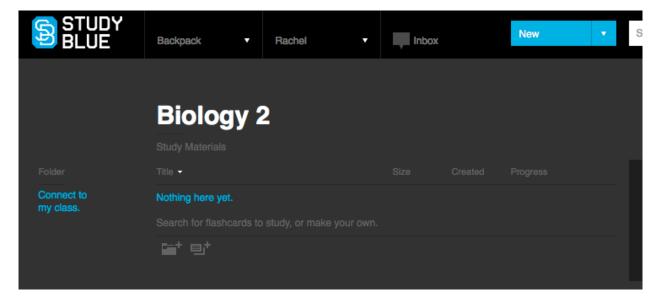


Click on the Blue folder without a class title to add a new course to your "backpack." Enter the name of the course you wish to add. Hit "save" to create the new folder.

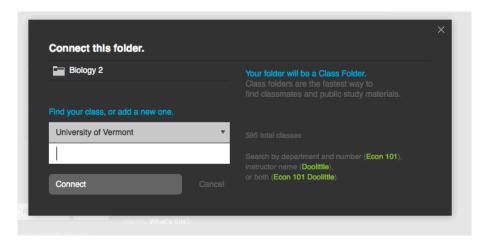


Step Three: Connect with other students in the class.

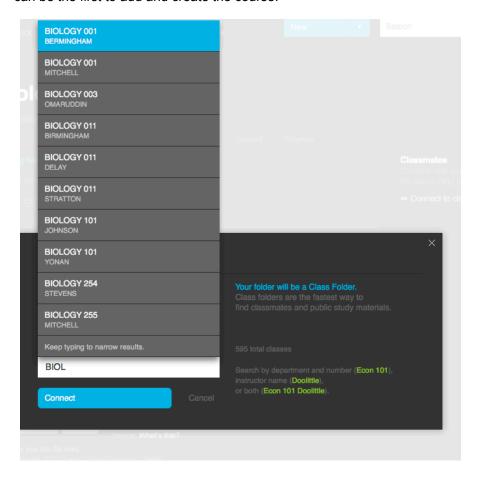
Courses are organized based on the University you attend, subject, course number, and Professor. Look to see if a classmate has already created a page for your class. Choose the "Connect to my Class" option on the left side of your screen.



Choose the University of Vermont as your school.

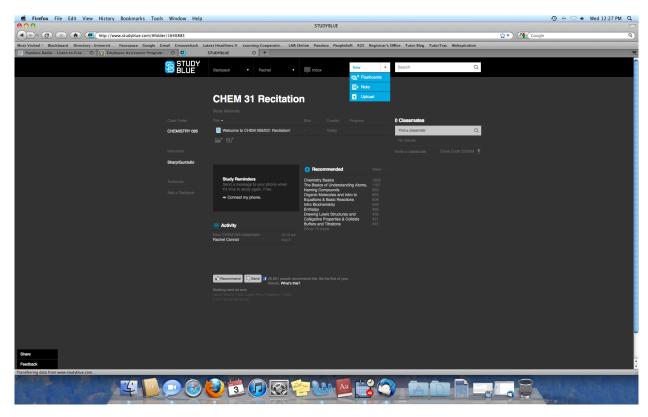


Type in your course code, and choose your course from the drop-down list. If you don't see a match, you can be the first to add and create the course.

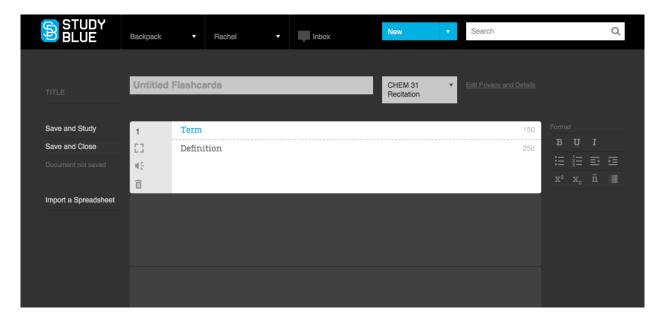


Step Four: Add new study tools to your course folder.

You have the option of uploading a document to share, adding a new note (which is like a blank document), and creating flashcards. From your course folder page, toggle over the "New" tab in the upper right side of the screen and choose which of the options you would like to create.

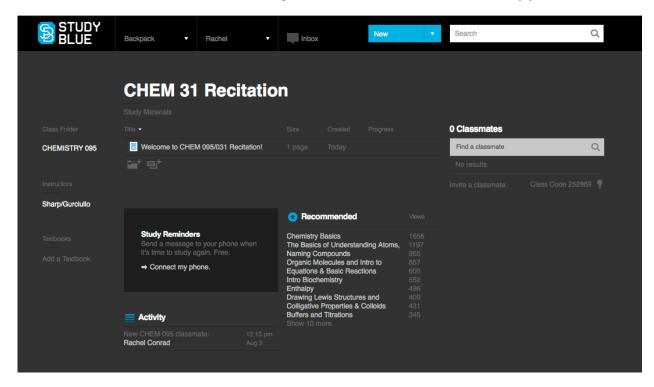


Add the information to custom flashcards or whichever tool you choose. Be sure to click "Save and Close" on the left of the screen to save your notes and flashcards for a later time.

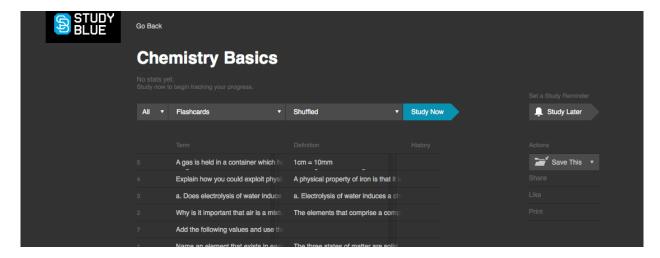


Step Five: Use your notes cards and the resources other users have shared to study.

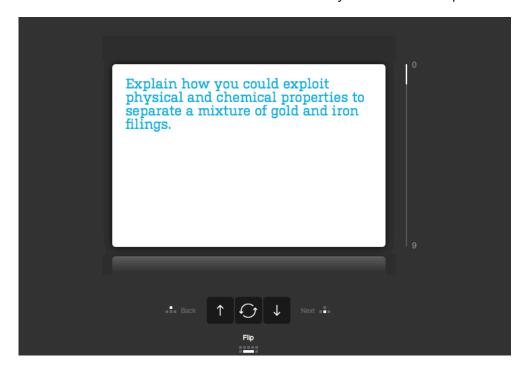
Things you have added will show up under the "Study Materials" heading. Also explore the shared resources under the "Recommended" heading, and flashcards or documents added by your classmates.



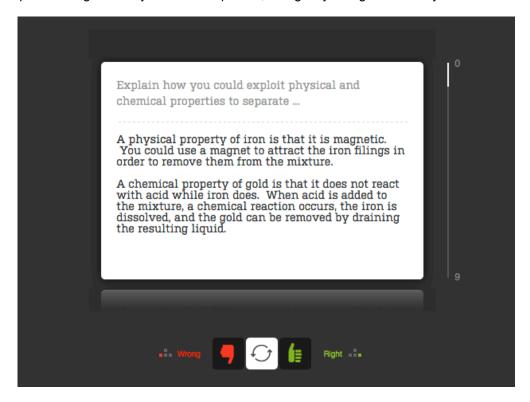
Once you have chosen a topic to study, choose "Study Now" on the top right side of the screen.



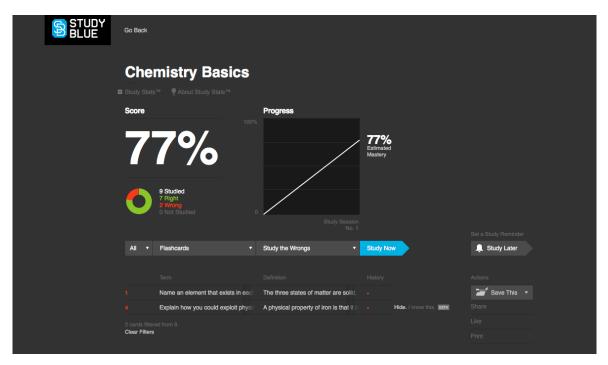
Try to answer the questions you see on the flashcard that appears. You can use the buttons on the bottom of the screen to move forward or backwards in your stack and to flip the card and see the answer.



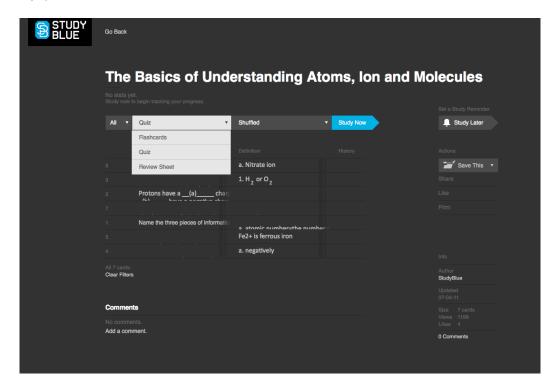
Once you have flipped the card to check the answer, you can indicate whether or not you got the questions right. StudyBlue will keep track, and give you a grade when you're done.



The next time you study, you have the option of studying only those concepts you got incorrect the first time by choosing "Study the Wrongs."



You can also choose to study the material on your flashcards in another format. Choose which format you'd like see the material in by choosing "Flashcards," "Quiz," or "Review Sheet" from the drop-down menu.



StudyBlue will generate a multiple choice, fill in the blank, and short answer quiz for you, and grade it!

