

Implementation Best Practices

Set students up for success

- Communicate with the students beforehand about:
 - Why you've adopted SIMTICS and what you expect the benefits will be for them
 - How they will be using, and where they can access SIMTICS
- Assign the SIMTICS Tutorial as your students' first assignment, with the quiz as a required activity. The Tutorial teaches students:
 - how to navigate the product
 - how each component (text, video, anatomy, simulation, & quiz) works together
 - how to use their personal SIMTICS logbook
 - where to get product help

Align SIMTICS with your course

- Align the SIMTICS content with your syllabus, assigning each module when that skill or topic is covered
- If you use an LMS, you can deep-link components of modules where appropriate; for instance, you can link to a specific simulation scenario or link directly to a module's multi-choice quiz
- Many instructors use SIMTICS in-class to demonstrate procedures and spark discussion

Make it count

- It is imperative to include SIMTICS scores as a compulsory, graded element of your course
- In the SIMTICS reporting system, you can also track student study time, so some instructors also set a minimum study time for each module. A Daily Time Report is available for download.
- Although faculty will have access to student scores through the gradebook, some instructors also ask students to send in the Module Snapshot Summary, which students can download after completing a module. This one-page report summarizes the student's study time and scores as at the time of the report.

Use SIMTICS for knowledge retention, not just for initial learning

- Repetition is key to mastery, so allow students to go back to SIMTICS to refresh skills at any time
- Later in the course, use the Comprehensive Reviews to give students an extra challenge by presenting them with different types of procedure simulations
- Before any externship, some instructors require their students to review key procedure modules that they may encounter at the clinical site

Use the SIMTICS support team

- SIMTICS customer support is always available to help instructors with issues of any type. Please never hesitate to reach out to us via the chat system at simtics.com or by email at support@simtics.com