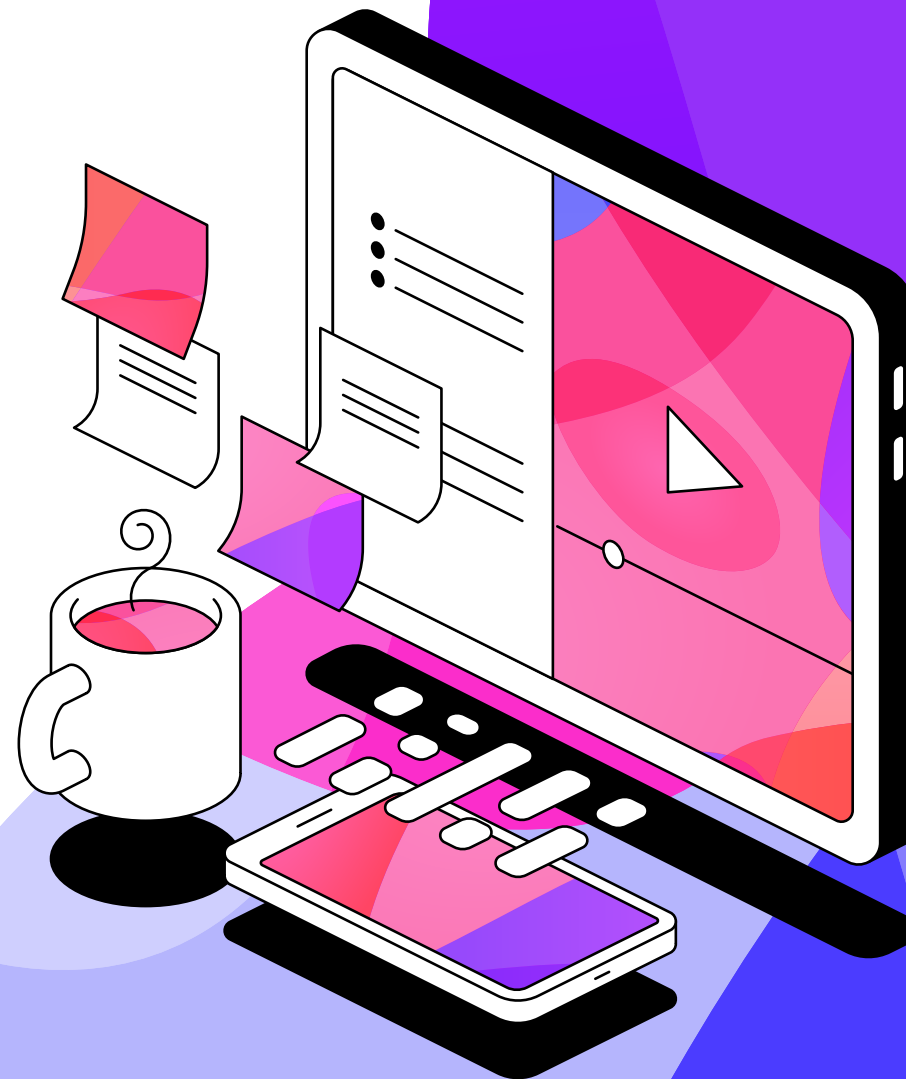




Accessible note taking to  
**empower your learners.**  
Flexible admin tools  
**to empower you.**

- ✓ **Loved** by learners
- ✓ **Built** by accessibility experts
- ✓ **Trusted** by 1000+ institutions





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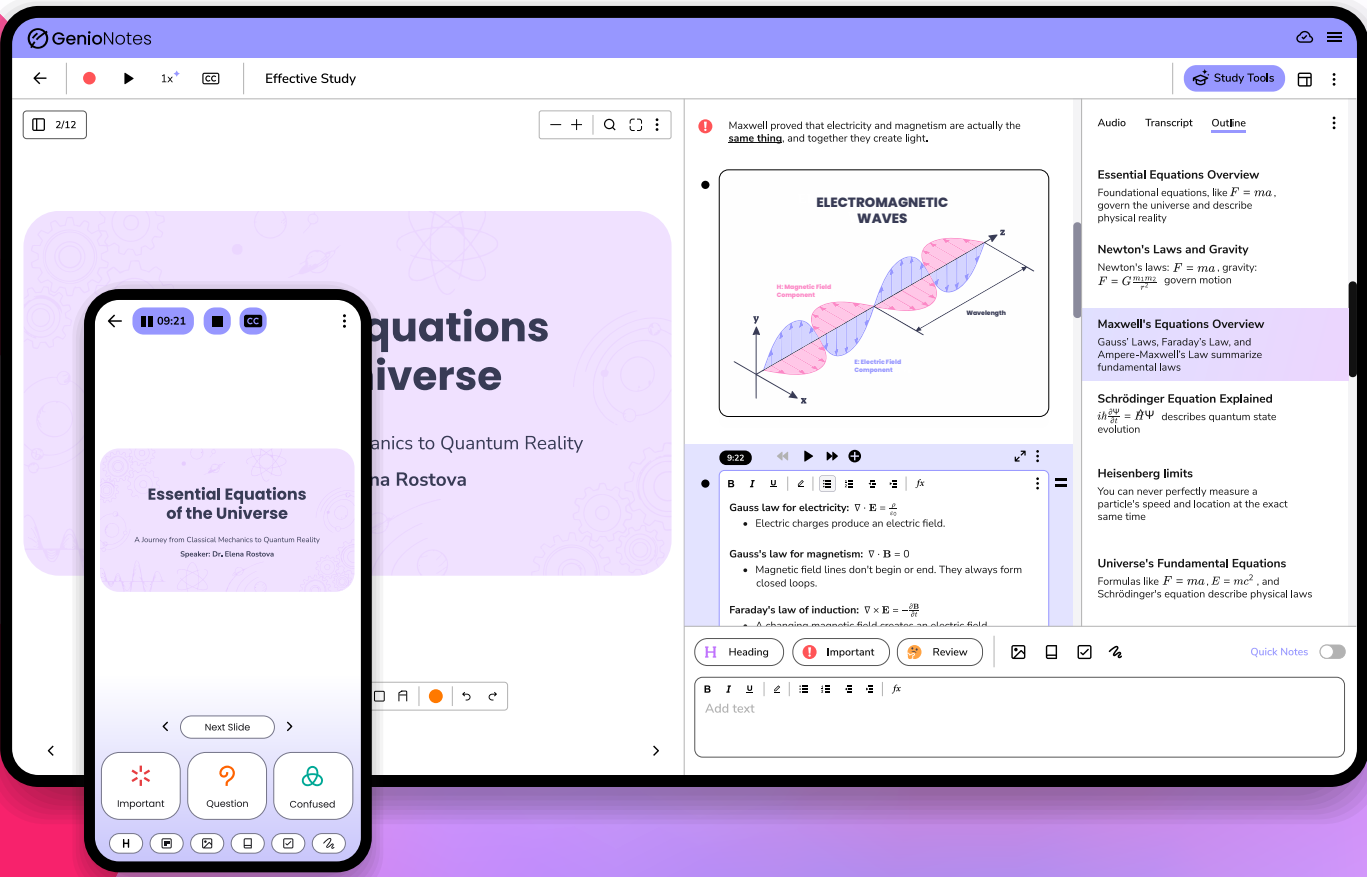
Genio Notes is the #1 note taking accommodation and study tool for independent learning

Since 2007, Genio has been making learning more accessible, empowering **hundreds of thousands of students at over 1,000 higher education institutions** across the globe to learn independently.

Our technology has helped to replace traditional note taking accommodations such as peer notes with a digital solution that works for you and your students.

Genio Notes is simple to administer, keeps you ADA and WCAG 2.2 compliant, and ensures every student has the ability to take effective, personalized notes.

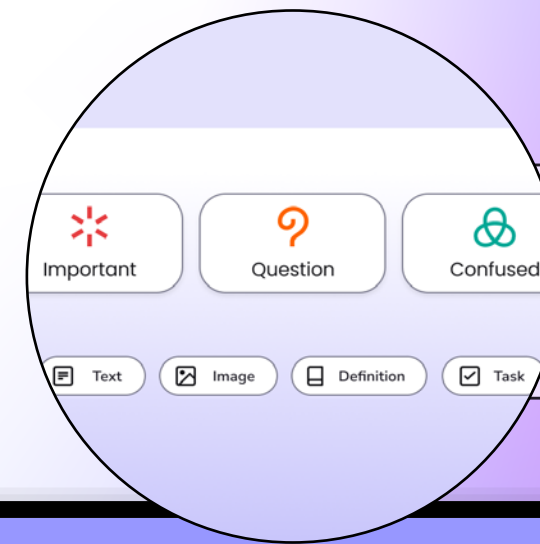
- 82% feel **more confident**
- 73% find learning **less stressful**
- Over 70% of learners increased **Academic Self-Efficacy**
- At Risk students **increased their GPA** by 93.5%



# Supporting your students throughout the learning process

Genio Notes uses a scaffolded note taking process to reduce stress and overwhelm, save time, build on key ideas and engage in proven study techniques.

The outcome? Learners who feel supported in lectures, more organized after class, and more confident before their exams.



## NEW Focus Mode

Less clutter, more focus. Keep students engaged in every lecture.

## 1 Capture

- Versatile **audio recording**
- Adaptable **note taking**
- Flexible **Slides and PDFs**

## 2 Organize

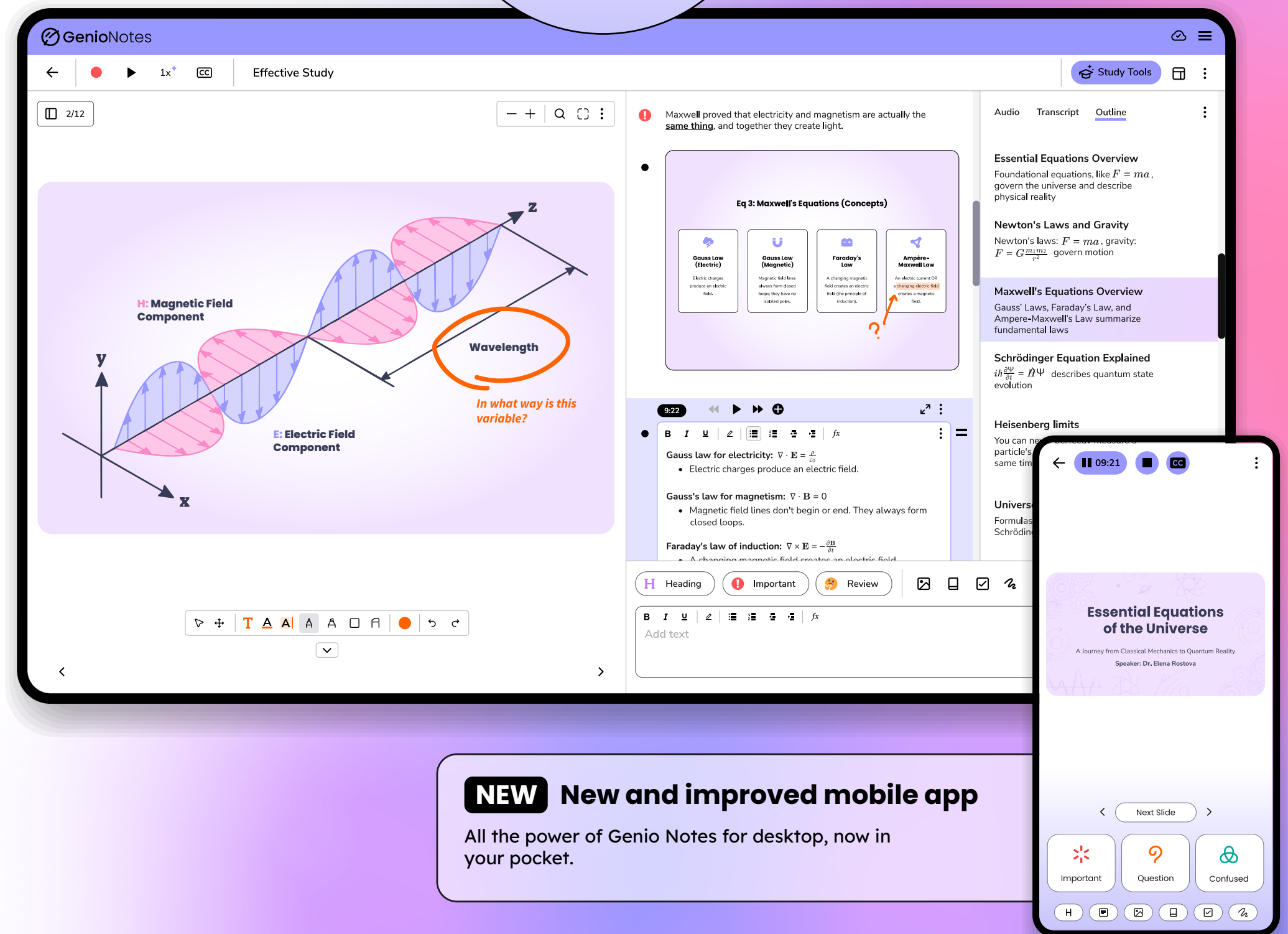
- **Transcription** in 35+ languages
- Put classes into **Collections**
- **Task lists**

## 3 Refine

- **NEW** **Provided Study Notes**
- Key moment **Outlines**
- Add **images and definitions**

## 4 Apply

- Personalized **Quizzes**
- Motivating **Focus Timer**
- Distraction-free **Reading Mode**



## NEW New and improved mobile app

All the power of Genio Notes for desktop, now in your pocket.

# Featured **features**

**NEW**

## Provided **Study Notes**

AI Notes made to be studied from

- **Instant independence**  
Students who can't take notes get a complete, accurate record of class immediately! No waiting or relying on peers.
- **Scientifically structured**  
Built using evidence-based frameworks (like the Cornell method) to actively support encoding and recall.
- **Thoughtfully flexible**  
Select which students get access to AI features like this. (see page 13)



**NEW**

## Focus Mode

Stay present in class without missing a beat

- **One-tap notes**  
Flag key moments, questions, or confusing points instantly.
- **Built for everyone**  
Designed around UDL principles to support disabled and neurodivergent learners.
- **Zero friction**  
Simpler onboarding means no tool-switching, just pure focus.

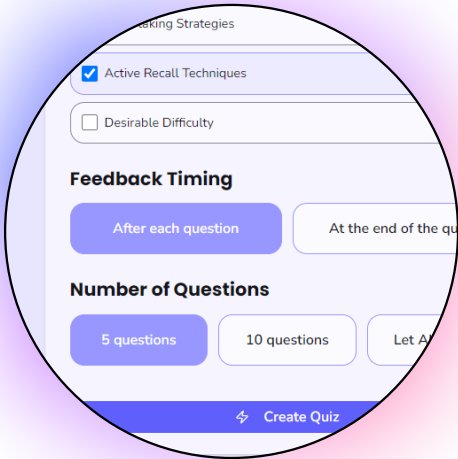


**UPDATE**

## Quiz Me

Supercharge your studying with advanced quiz customization

- **Targeted prep**  
Generate questions by speaker, topic, or slide content.
- **Personalization**  
Choose your question count and when to get feedback.
- **Across subjects**  
Test your knowledge across entire Collections.



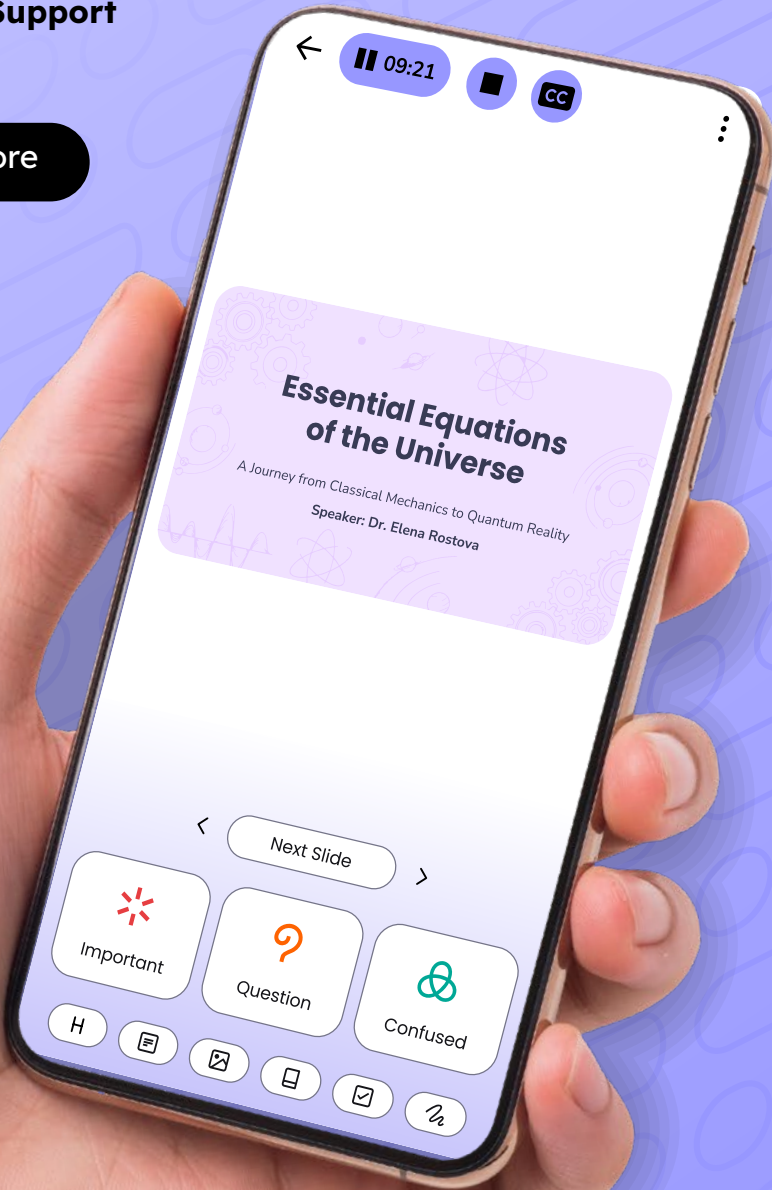
# Your students' notes, **wherever they go**

Turn idle commutes or gaps between classes into active learning with the new Genio Notes mobile app. Bite-sized reviewing and quizzing take the pressure off long study sessions.

Our new app brings your students' favourite features to mobile for the first time, such as:

- **Quiz Me**
- **AI Outline**
- **STEM support**
- **Universal Search**
- **Speaker Labels**
- **Focus Timer**
- **Reading View**
- **Language Support**

Search '**Genio Notes**' in your app store



# Capture

In class

# Organize

After class

# Refine

After class

# Apply

While studying

## Feature

### Audio Recording

Frees cognitive resources for understanding

### Live Captions

Provides visual reinforcement of speech

### Focus Mode

Keeps attention on the lecture

### Scribble & Slide Annotations

Supports multi-modal learning

### OCR

Eliminates manual transcription

### Shared Collections

Reduces the impact of absences or incomplete capture

### Transcription

Generated on demand and synchronized

### Search

Simple to find key words across recordings

### Equations/Formula Support

Reduces friction in STEM subjects

### Text Formatting

Allows for personalized notes, readability and structure

### AI Outlines

Reduces cognitive load with navigable chapters

### Study Notes

Supports encoding and recall with structured AI notes

### Quiz Me

AI-generated quizzes identify knowledge gaps

### Focus Timer

Supports manageable, consistent study

### Reading View

Reduces clutter and supports independent study

|                              | Executive functioning;<br>Attendance difficulties | Concentration challenges;<br>Attention and focus | Working memory<br>difficulties; Retrieval | Motor skill challenges;<br>Fine motor control | Reduced stamina;<br>Fatigue | Auditory processing<br>difficulties | Visual processing<br>difficulties | Conceptual organization;<br>Information prioritization | Sensory sensitivities;<br>Processing differences | Reading and/or writing<br>difficulties | Anxiety around studying,<br>academic performance |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Audio Recording              |                                                   | ✓                                                | ✓                                         | ✓                                             |                             |                                     |                                   |                                                        |                                                  |                                        |                                                  |
| Live Captions                | ✓                                                 |                                                  |                                           |                                               |                             | ✓                                   |                                   |                                                        | ✓                                                |                                        |                                                  |
| Focus Mode                   | ✓                                                 | ✓                                                | ✓                                         |                                               |                             |                                     |                                   |                                                        | ✓                                                |                                        |                                                  |
| Scribble & Slide Annotations |                                                   |                                                  | ✓                                         |                                               |                             |                                     | ✓                                 | ✓                                                      |                                                  | ✓                                      |                                                  |
| OCR                          |                                                   |                                                  | ✓                                         | ✓                                             |                             |                                     |                                   |                                                        |                                                  | ✓                                      |                                                  |
| Shared Collections           | ✓                                                 |                                                  | ✓                                         |                                               | ✓                           |                                     |                                   |                                                        |                                                  |                                        | ✓                                                |
| Transcription                |                                                   | ✓                                                |                                           |                                               | ✓                           | ✓                                   |                                   |                                                        |                                                  | ✓                                      |                                                  |
| Search                       |                                                   |                                                  | ✓                                         |                                               |                             |                                     |                                   | ✓                                                      |                                                  |                                        |                                                  |
| Equations/Formula Support    |                                                   |                                                  | ✓                                         |                                               |                             |                                     | ✓                                 |                                                        | ✓                                                | ✓                                      |                                                  |
| Text Formatting              |                                                   | ✓                                                |                                           |                                               |                             |                                     | ✓                                 | ✓                                                      |                                                  | ✓                                      |                                                  |
| AI Outlines                  | ✓                                                 |                                                  | ✓                                         |                                               |                             |                                     |                                   |                                                        |                                                  |                                        |                                                  |
| Study Notes                  |                                                   |                                                  | ✓                                         |                                               | ✓                           |                                     |                                   |                                                        |                                                  |                                        |                                                  |
| Quiz Me                      |                                                   | ✓                                                | ✓                                         |                                               |                             |                                     |                                   |                                                        |                                                  |                                        | ✓                                                |
| Focus Timer                  | ✓                                                 | ✓                                                |                                           |                                               | ✓                           |                                     |                                   |                                                        |                                                  |                                        | ✓                                                |
| Reading View                 | ✓                                                 | ✓                                                |                                           |                                               |                             |                                     | ✓                                 |                                                        | ✓                                                |                                        |                                                  |

# Effective support for STEM students

Genio Notes offers STEM learners unlimited flexibility to write equations, annotate research papers, and capture text from documents.

NEW

## Capture visuals

Instantly convert the whiteboard, diagrams, or handwritten notes into searchable, workable text inside your notes with Optical Character Recognition (OCR).

## Scribble

Draw your own graphs, diagrams, or formulas directly into your notes feed.

**Top tip:** Handwrite complex equations with Scribble, then use OCR to transform them into ready-to-use text notes.

## Aggregate study materials

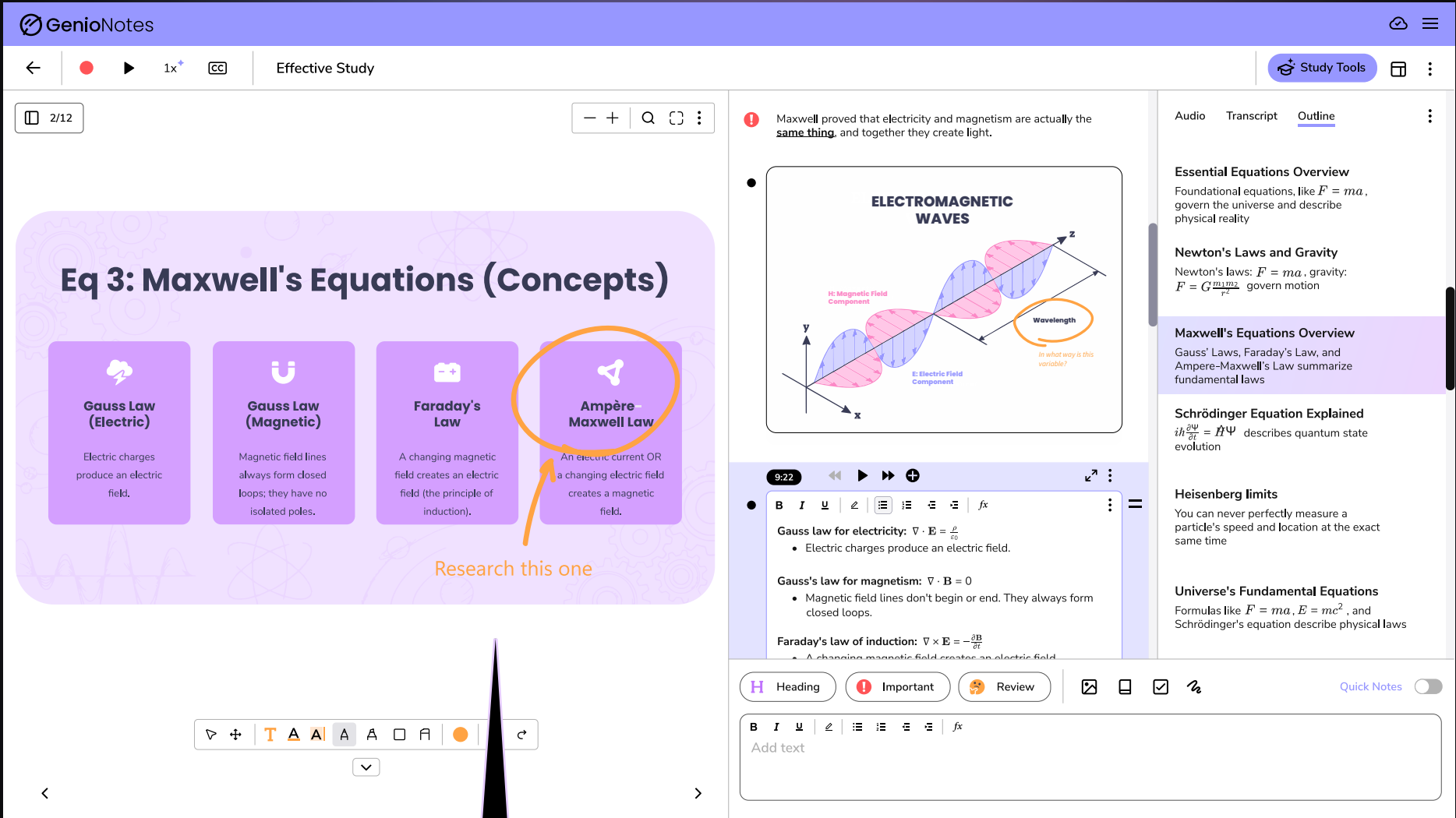
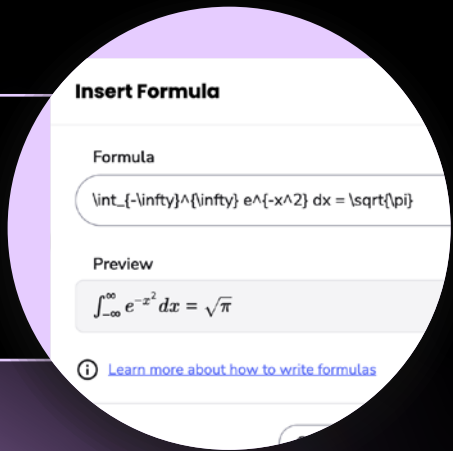
Upload and annotate multiple documents - slides, research papers, and reading lists - in one place.

## Equations and formulas

No matter how complex, these are provided in Live Captions, the transcript, Outlines, Provided Study Notes and Quiz Me.

## Create and insert equations

Fully formatted equations can also be created and added directly to your notes feed.



## Slide and PDF annotations

Draw diagrams to map out complex topics or create connections between visual elements to personalize learning. Use text annotations to interpret dense research papers and documents.

# Built differently, independently verified

We believe AI, accessibility, and learning claims should be **third-party verified**. This evidence ensures you get what you pay for while protecting your institution from data breaches, legal risks, and ineffective learning.



## The gold standard for learning science

Genio Notes is the only note taking tool globally to earn the **EduEvidence Science of Learning Gold Certification**.

This confirms excellence in four key areas:

- **Active:** Drives cognitive effort over passive listening.
- **Engaged:** Minimizes distractions to maintain focus.
- **Meaningful:** Connects new concepts to existing knowledge.
- **Collaborative:** Supports shared, social knowledge building.



## Accessible by design, approved by experts

Genio builds accessibility into everything we do.

- **Fully compliant:** Third-party verified VPAT for WCAG 2.1 and 2.2 AA standards.
- **Expert-backed:** We don't outsource accessibility to AI. Our in-house accessibility team ensures adherence to strict standards.
- **Always improving:** Accessibility is a continuous commitment, from conception to testing - not "one and done."



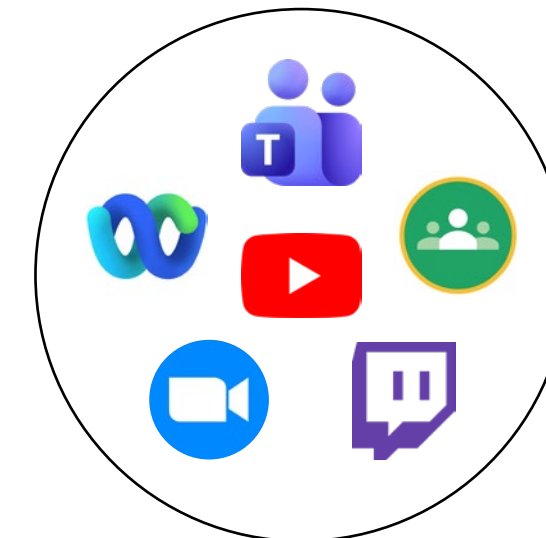
## Real impact

Genio Notes is the only note taking tool that is independently proven to support and enhance active engagement in learning. We are in the 5% of EdTech companies to hold the **ESSA Tier 3 Badge** proving our positive impact on real students.

# Seamlessly **connected**

## LMS integrations

Genio Notes seamlessly connects with your existing Learning Management Systems (LMS) to streamline workflows, sync rosters, and pass data smoothly for even richer insights. Available on the Institution Wide package.



## Works with your favorite tools

No plugins, no API tokens, no setup required. Because Genio Notes can capture any window, desktop screen, or Chrome tab (on Windows and Mac), it is instantly compatible with the tools you use every day.

Native plugins can break when apps update. Because Genio Notes records directly from your OS or browser, it works flawlessly with Zoom, Teams, and Google Classroom 100% of the time, no matter what version you are running.

## Enterprise grade security & trust

We take data protection seriously. Genio Notes complies with top-tier industry standards to ensure your institution and learner's data remains safe and accessible.

(Verified Security Higher Ed Assessment Accessibility (Sec. 508) Secure, Easy Access)



# Effortless admin tools

Manage accommodations **in just a few clicks.**

- **Feature toggles**

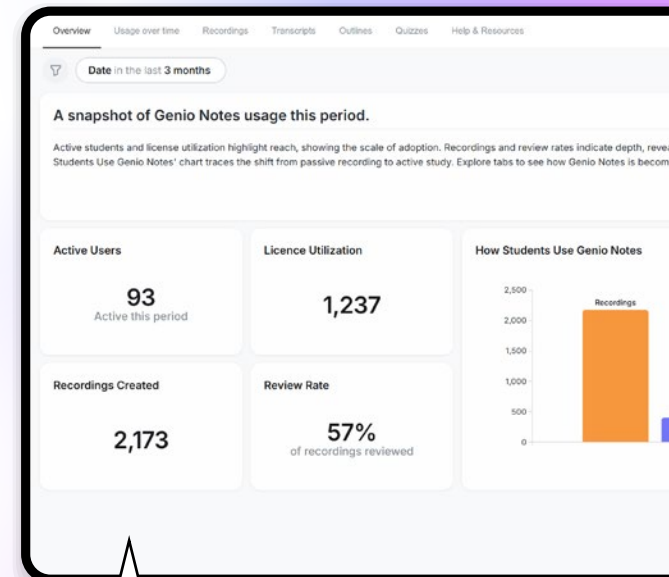
Turn AI tools on or off for specific groups or the whole institution.

- **Bulk actions and filters**

Upload invite lists, reclaim unused licenses, and filter by "Last Active" to identify students needing support or a re-invite.

- **Educator roles**

Give faculty access to track class engagement and share events with students.



## UPDATE

### Admin Insights dashboard

Champion the efficacy of Genio Notes at your institution. Track and compare usage over certain time periods and tell a compelling story of student engagement to demonstrate value, on demand, right from the app.

## Reliable support & success

Launch smoothly and stay aligned with your institutional goals through:

- ✓ A dedicated **Customer Success Manager.**
- ✓ Onboarding tutorials, webinars, and **video guides** for students.
- ✓ In-depth student utilization **insight reports.**

Included with Genio Notes

# Build note taking confidence with our online course

The Confident Notetaker's Masterclass is a short, highly interactive course that teaches students key habits to improve note taking quality and efficiency; without extra training from your team.

- **Flexible self-paced**

7 modules completed in just 60 minutes.

- **Highly interactive**

Audio, video, free-text self-reflections and actionable feedback.

- **Easily scalable**

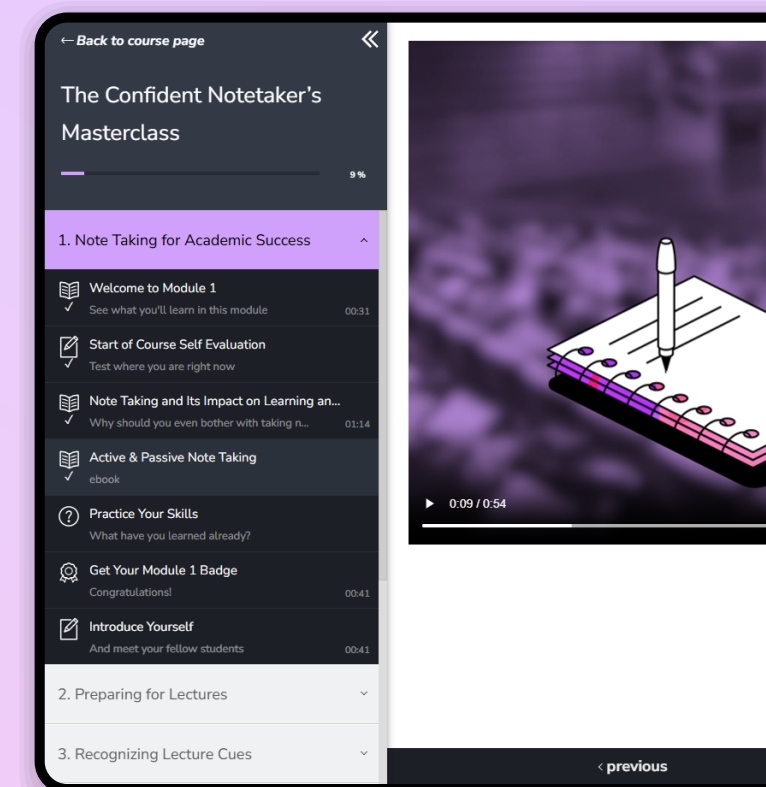
Low-touch with minimal resources required.

- **Tool agnostic**

Teaches the skill of note taking, not just what works within Genio Notes.

- **Helping you help your students**

Delivers engaging, effective training without the time-intensive strain on your staff.



*"I thought I was good at taking notes before taking the Genio course. From the course, **I learned great strategies for taking notes, and realized there were many ways I could improve my notes.** Genio's note taking course is worth the time spent. Students should take it even if they feel like they do well taking notes."*

**Mackenzie, Student at Idaho State University**

# Choosing a **package**

## Department

### Built for **accessibility departments**

Say goodbye to the stress of managing peer notetakers and mismatched tools. Genio's Department package is a cost-effective alternative that empowers students to learn independently and effectively.

#### With a **Department package** you will:

- Make learning **more accessible and personal** for students with disabilities
- Help to **reduce stress** and boost confidence for your students
- Cover **note taking accommodations** for learners who may need them
- **Relieve the pressure on staff** in your department by easily managing access and monitoring usage through the Genio Admin portal



## Institution Wide

### Built for **cross-campus UDL**

An estimated 65% of learners at your institution may have an undisclosed disability, and aren't receiving the help they need to learn effectively. Providing support for your entire student body reaches non-handraisers.

#### With an **Institution Wide package** you will:

- **Save per student:** This package is more cost effective per license
- **Reduce barriers** and reach the 65% of learners who have an undisclosed disability
- **Drive accessibility and UDL across campus** to support all your students to become more independent learners
- **Save staff time** with access enhanced features like LMS integrations and JIT provisioning to make onboarding a breeze

## Learn more

To learn more about our packages or upgrade, get in touch!

▶ [Get in touch](#)

# Meet Genio's ACE team

Genio's **Accessibility Conformance Experts** are a passionate, dedicated team that ensures accessibility is at the heart of Genio's tools.



**Kelly**  
Test Engineer

*"Accessibility, for me, is about everyone who's ever bounced off a website not because they didn't want to use it, but **because it quietly demanded a way of processing information they don't have.**"*



**Alice**  
Software Engineer

*"**I believe that technology is only as good as its accessibility,** and I am deeply passionate about removing barriers so that every user can participate with confidence."*



**Mala**  
Head of Engineering

*"Small design decisions can make a huge difference in whether someone **feels confident using a product** or completely shut out by it."*



**Steven**  
Staff Engineer

*"I believe everybody should have the **same access to opportunities** regardless of ability or status."*



**Rach**  
Software Engineer

*"I believe that **equity should be a foundational feature** of both the world around us and the educational platforms we build at Genio."*

Overleaf the ACE team have established **practices to look for** (and to avoid) when working with assistive technology companies.

## Ideal practices

### Compliance and testing

- Has WCAG compliant features and a remediation plan
- Manual testing takes place before new feature releases
- This topic is approached with transparency and honesty

### ACR (VPAT) documentation

- Documentation is readily available
- Evaluation should include manual testing
- Evaluation completed by a trusted third-party

### Accessibility overlays/widgets

- Software does not use an accessibility overlay or widget, and focuses on creating an accessible codebase

### Data ownership

- Ownership and intellectual property rights never transfer to the vendor

### Privacy & security

- Evidence that policies align with global standards
- Security validated by a SOC 2 Type II report, dated within the past 12 months.
- Privacy and security commitments included in T&Cs

### Access controls

- Authorized persons only, based on business need
- Access granted for a limited time on a case by case basis
- Full access logs available

### Third-party transparency

- Readily-accessible list of third-parties, their processing location, and reason for processing the data

### Third-party vetting

- Clarity on security of third-parties
- Data Processing Agreement (DPA) in place

### AI model training

- Clear statement that third-parties cannot train AI models using user data

### Evidence and research

- Empirical research and evidence to demonstrate impact
- Case studies from both student and admin users

### Industry expertise

- Focus on using learning research and best practices to drive learner outcomes. Features promote active learning
- Expertise and experience working with different departments within the higher education system

### Customer experience and support

- Clarity on post-purchase support, regular touchpoints with a Customer Success Manager, and good response times

## Poor practices

- Relies on automated testing
- Does not address how they test new features during product development to look for accessibility bugs

- ACR (VPAT) is not provided or difficult to access
- Evaluation only uses automated testing
- Evaluation not performed by a third-party expert

- Utilizes an accessibility overlay to mask inaccessible code

- Data ownership is not addressed in terms and conditions
- Lack of clarity on this issue

- Poor or lacking privacy notice
- Not SOC 2 compliant or the report is out of date

- Lack of a clear position
- No clear processes
- No access logs

- Unable to produce a list of third-parties
- Unclear about the reason for working with each third-party

- Not able to provide details on their third parties and the controls in place, and lacks clarity around this issue

- Unsure, ambiguous or acknowledges that third-parties can train AI models with their user's data

- Unable to evidence impact at scale or over time
- Sweeping statements about impact without facts

- May be vague, focus on general productivity, or lean heavily on automated processes rather than active learning
- Lacks knowledge or awareness of the different departments involved in the higher education system

- Unsure or unclear on what support is offered to customers and their students after licenses have been purchased

Comparison of product features

|                          |                                                           | Genio Notes                                   | OneNote                         | Jamworks                                                                               | Otter.AI                         | Messenger Pigeon                                           | Peer notetakers |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Recording and capture    | All-in-one browser app for recording, note taking & study |                                               |                                 | Separate recording app                                                                 |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Time-stamped notes, synced with recording                 |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Slides integrated with recording and notes                |                                               |                                 | Separate attachments                                                                   |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Upload and annotate multiple documents                    |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
| Transcription & captions | Transcription                                             | 35 languages                                  | 80+ languages                   | 26 languages                                                                           | 6 languages                      |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Edit transcript                                           |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Live Captions                                             | Notes-only also available                     | Microsoft Translator            |                                                                                        |                                  | Notes-only also available                                  |                 |
| Note taking              | Slide Annotations                                         | Freehand/ text on slides                      | Freehand/ text on slides        | Separate attachments                                                                   |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Provided study notes                                      | AI                                            |                                 | AI                                                                                     |                                  | AI or human (paid)                                         | Human           |
|                          | AI-generated outline / chapters                           |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Freehand notes                                            |                                               |                                 | iPad + Apple Pencil needed                                                             |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Extract text from images (OCR)                            | Any visual content                            | Any visual content              | Slides only                                                                            |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | AI enhanced notes                                         |                                               | Requires Co-Pilot               |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
| Study tools              | AI-generated study aids                                   | Customizable quizzes, collection-wide quizzes | Copilot Chat (license required) | Flashcards, Chatbot quizzes, simplifications, creative stories, analogies, memory aids | Ask questions through Otter Chat | Study assistant with quizzes, simplifications, definitions |                 |
|                          | Focus Timer                                               |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Reading View                                              |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Focus / Immersive Reading                                 |                                               | Immersive reading               | Focus reading                                                                          |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          |                                                           |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
| STEM equation support    | Formulas and equations rendered in transcripts            |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Formulas and equations rendered in AI content             |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Add formulas to the notes feed                            | Typed or handwritten                          | Handwritten                     |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            | Handwritten     |
|                          | Convert handwritten formulas to formatted equations       | Extract text from Scribble                    |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |
|                          | Math support to solve equations                           |                                               |                                 |                                                                                        |                                  |                                                            |                 |

Comparison of accessibility and accreditation

|                                |                                                        | Genio Notes                                             | OneNote                | Jamworks               | Otter.AI                           | Messenger Pigeon | Peer notetakers |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Accessibility & compliance     | WCAG 2.1 Level AA Conformance and ACR / VPAT           | Full, third party verified                              | Partial, self verified | Partial, self verified |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Screen reader compatible (JAWS / NVDA)                 |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
| Data privacy & AI ethics       | Does not sell or rent user data                        |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | User data not used to train AI models                  |                                                         |                        |                        | Trained on de-identified user data |                  |                 |
|                                | HECVAT available                                       |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | SOC Type II                                            | Available on request                                    |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
| Evidence & certifications      | HIPAA compliant                                        |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Published, independent peer-reviewed research          | ESSA Level 3 Efficacy Study, recognized by LXD Research |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Independently proven learning science impact alignment | EduEvidence Science of Learning Gold Certification      |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | UDL Certification                                      | Digital Promise/CAST UDL Product Certification          |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Efficacy Certification                                 | ICEIE: Silver Efficacy Certificate                      |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
| Administrative & Institutional | LMS integration (Canvas / Moodle / Blackboard etc)     |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Ability to turn AI features off                        |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Advanced student insights to demonstrate ROI           |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Dedicated Customer Success Manager                     |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |
|                                | Note taking skills training course                     |                                                         |                        |                        |                                    |                  |                 |

**Methodology:** All data is synthesized from the most recent publicly available disclosures (as of June 2026) and independent efficacy research to assist procurement officers and disability services in making evidence-based software selections.

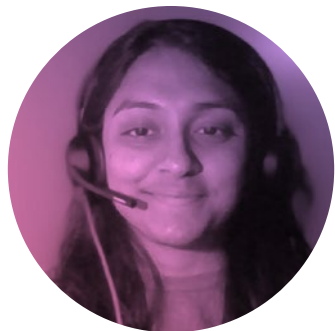
All competitor information is based on publicly available sources. Readers should always verify features and pricing with suppliers.

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*"Taking notes in lectures is extremely hard due to me having ADHD and dyslexia. **Genio Notes has made it extremely easy** for me to not only follow my lectures, but also go back to them and to take very, very well written notes after the fact."*

**Asiel Mitchell, Biomedical and Pre-Med student**  
Utah Valley University



*"With Genio Notes, I am able to record all of the classes that I take. This means I can go back and rewatch some of the lectures and **make sure that I don't miss any aspect of it.** I'm really blessed to have Genio Notes."*

**Sindhu Belki, Aerospace Engineering student**  
Georgia Institute of Technology



*"Because of my ADHD and slower information processing speed, I missed crucial details, and that added a lot of stress. Genio Notes has changed that. **My presentations improved, my grades improved, and my stress dropped.** Genio Notes has honestly made learning easier for me."*

**Arturo Mendoza, Mechatronics Engineering student**  
Richard Daley Community College

See how students are experiencing better learning with Genio Notes:

▶ **Hear from more users**



# The proof

Knowing a tool exists is one thing. Knowing it works is another. **Every feature you've seen in this brochure was built with a purpose**, and that purpose is backed by evidence gathered from real students, at real institutions, across multiple years of independent research.

The data that follows comes from a range of sources: our own learner surveys, peer-reviewed studies, and third-party research. Taken together, they tell a consistent story.

Students using Genio Notes feel more confident, experience less stress, and perform better academically. The gains aren't marginal. They show up in GPA data, in persistence rates, and in the words of students who describe Genio Notes as essential to their academic survival.

For Disability and Accessibility Services teams, the evidence matters in two directions:

- ✓ **It matters for students**, because you need to know the accommodation you're offering actually improves their learning.
- ✓ **And it matters for you**, because the ability to demonstrate measurable impact is what turns a well-intentioned tool into a defensible investment.

# How to improve outcomes for all of your learners



*"As an individual with high functioning autism, **Genio Notes helps me retain the information better and has reduced my stress.**"*

Ricardo Meija, Virginia Peninsula Community College

Non-traditional learners now make up the majority of the student population across higher education. They're working, first generation, parents, or veterans, and are coming to school underprepared and time-poor.

Additionally, there's been a two-decade surge in diverse learning needs:

- **18%** increase in students with **registered disabilities**, now 5.2% of all students
- **267%** increase in **neurodivergent** learners
- **65%** of these students don't seek help

To facilitate success, institutions must evolve to offer proactive student support with UDL across campus.

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# Genio Notes drives student engagement

An independent study of over **2,000** learners by LXD Research found that by reducing stress and improving note taking, Genio Notes boosts student **engagement and persistence**.

- Learners consistently described Genio Notes as **"essential infrastructure"** for managing academic demands; especially those balancing multiple responsibilities or learning differences.
- **Dropout intention reduced** from 7% to 5%
- **GPA increased significantly** from 3.34 to 3.46

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*"The particularly strong benefits for New Majority Learners, including those with learning differences, suggest that **the Genio Notes platform addresses systemic barriers to academic success** that traditional support services may not adequately address."*

Schechter, R., Chase, P., & Ackerman, C. (2025)



## Case study

# How Colgate University shifted accessibility **from compliance to learning independence**



The implementation of Genio Notes has fundamentally changed the student experience, providing discreet access and ownership of learner's academic journeys.

***"This is leaning right into developing a learner***

***instead of just handing them material and hoping that they absorb it in the way that you want them to."***

**Evelyn Lester, Executive Director,**  
Office of Student Disability Services,  
Colgate University

- Colgate University transitioned from a passive, compliance-based model to an active, student-led approach, serving over 1,000 students.
- Replaced a manual peer note taking system that cost \$100,000 per year, achieving significant ROI while eliminating logistical challenges.
- Internal partnerships with the Computer Science department converted faculty into strategic allies.
- Beyond traditional disability support, Genio Notes has seen organic adoption by international students and streamlined medical transcriptions.

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## Report

# Genio Notes' **positive learner impact**

Genio surveyed **over 1000** students using Genio Notes across the 2025-26 academic year, with findings uncovering significant increases in GPA, confidence and stress reduction.

- 82% feel **more confident**, with new learners reporting an 11.9% improvement.
- **GPA increased** by over 3% overall, and 4.1% for new learners.
- **Stress levels dropped** by 11.9%.
- 77.8% of students with a mental health challenge who receive accommodations can **better manage large amounts of information**.

- At Risk students, with a GPA below 2.0, **increased their GPA** by 93.5%.
- Genio Notes helped 75.7% of first-generation students **stay in school**.
- Parents and first years saw **GPA increases** of 7.6% and 7.3% respectively.
- Students with a disability who aren't currently receiving formal accommodations saw a 17% **GPA increase**.

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## Case study

# How SUNY Canton moved from peer note takers to **institution wide learning support**



SUNY Canton ran a peer note taker program that placed significant administrative burden on an already stretched department. Since introducing Genio Notes, they've made massive strides toward Universal Design for Learning across the institution.

***"Their eyes light up as I'm doing my demo for them.***

*Telling them that you can just have this. As long as you're a student here and you have this email address, here you go."*

**Derrick Gidden**

Assistant Director of Student Accessibility Services

- Between Fall 2025 and Spring 2026, GPA increase was **169.1% greater for Genio Notes users**.
- Students, particularly those with ADHD, have shown **sustained and consistent engagement** with Genio Notes.
- An Institution Wide license now gives **every student** at SUNY Canton access to Genio Notes, removing the friction of individual accommodation requests for note taking support.
- The department views Genio Notes as a **key step** toward Universal Design for Learning (UDL) across the institution.

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## Study

# The **opportunities** for note taking in the classroom

A study of over 1000 users found that Genio Notes **positively affects note taking in the classroom** as reliable lecture capture empowers students to intentionally engage with material in real time.

- **Studying satisfaction rates soared** among time poor learners, as parents (85.6%), mature students (78.8%) and working students (78.1%) saw the opportunities technology brings.
- Genio Notes users cited **reduced stress and cognitive load**.
- Improved study confidence and study skills were identified as **key drivers of usage**.
- 84.6% of students take notes to **revisit and study from** them, not just to capture what was said.

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## Case study

# How **Volunteer State Community College** improved engagement and retention



Volunteer State Community College shifted from simply providing better accommodations for 100 students, to implementing Genio Notes across campus to ensure they could **support over 1200 students**.

*"After more than 30 years in higher education, **I can confidently say Genio is one of the best tools we've come across.** I love seeing how it helps our students stay organized, learn more effectively, and ultimately do better in their classes. It's simple, intuitive, and really makes a difference."*

**Anne-Marie McKee, Assistant Vice President for the Division of Student Services, Volunteer State Community College**



- Students utilizing Genio Notes achieved an **88% retention rate** from Fall to Spring, compared to 77% for students who didn't use Genio.
- **88%** experienced less stress.
- **88%** believed their study skills improved.
- **28 students** were saved from dropping out.

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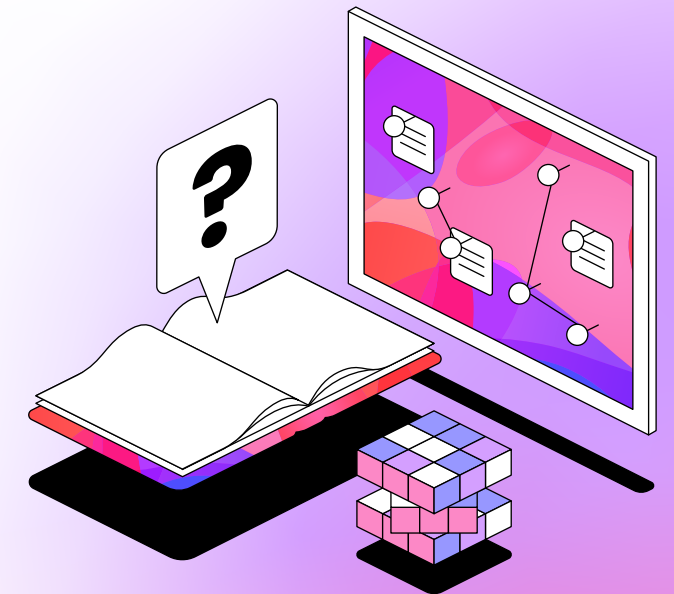
## Study

# How Genio Notes increases **Academic Self-Efficacy**

Genio commissioned an independent Academic Self-Efficacy Study to explore how Genio Notes empowers students to build confidence and improve academic performance through effective note taking and engagement strategies.

- **Over 70%** of students showed an increase in ASE.
- Students with ADHD, dyslexia, or auditory processing challenges saw the **highest increase** in ASE levels.
- Proactive use creates "**mastery signals**" that validate a learner's self belief.
- The strongest ASE gains occurred in **self-regulated learning**, leading to increased mastery and confidence.
- Structured confirmations and digital scaffolding are particularly beneficial to **New Majority Learners** or those with additional cognitive needs.

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