

Submitting Handwritten Work Electronically

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1 Instructions – the short version

In this course, you will be sometimes asked to submit handwritten work electronically (for example, resubmissions). Please follow the instructions below to do so. Having your work organized and submitted this way will help me get feedback to you faster.

1. Complete your assignment using one of the following methods:
 - Option 1.* Write your solutions on regular paper.
 - Option 2.* Write your solutions using a tablet and a handwriting app.
2. Put your entire assignment into 1 PDF file.
3. Review the PDF file to make sure your work is legible!
4. Submit your entire assignment as 1 PDF file using the Assignment Submission Form, linked on the course website.

If you don't know how to do Step 2 above, please keep reading.

2 How do I get my handwritten work into a PDF file?

If you used Option 1 above, then you can convert your work on paper to a PDF file with a scanner or a smartphone scanner app. I've included some detailed instructions on how to use a scanner app for iPhone (Section 2.1) and Android phones (Section 2.2) below.

If you used Option 2 above, look for an option to “Export to PDF” in your handwriting app.

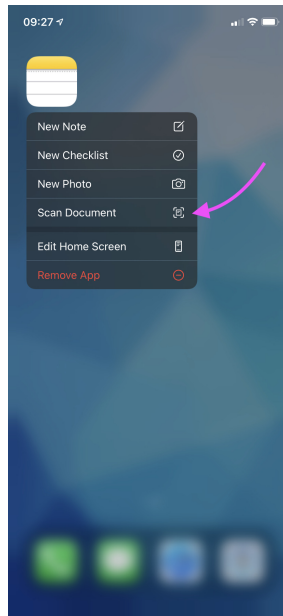
2.1 Scanning your handwritten work with an iPhone

The Notes app, which comes with your iPhone, has the ability to scan paper documents and put them into a PDF file. Here are some detailed instructions to scan your work using your phone. There are a lot of steps, but it's pretty easy once you get the hang of it.

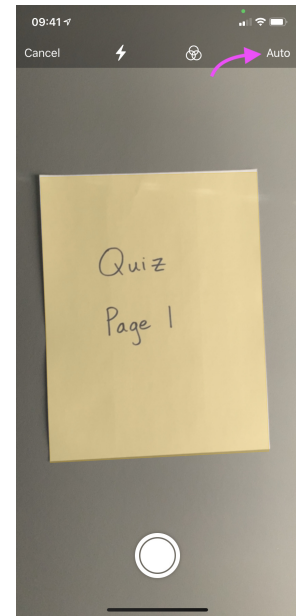
1. Find the Notes app.



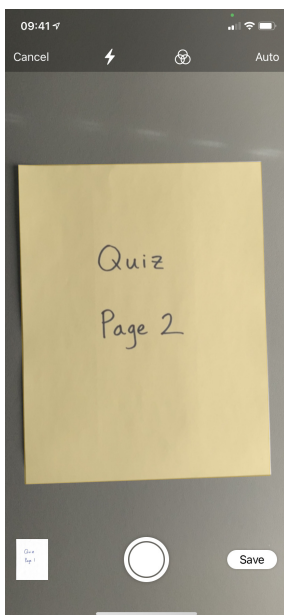
2. Tap and hold on the Notes app icon. You should see a menu appear. Select Scan Document.



3. Scan the first page. If Auto is selected, the app will try to detect the page automatically.



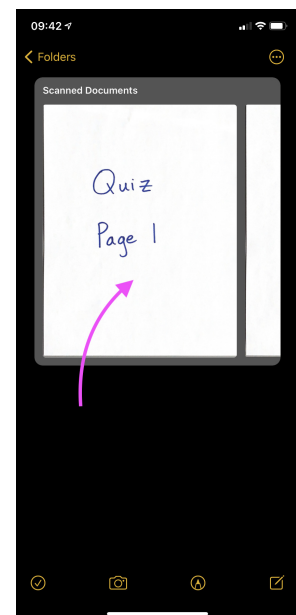
4. Once the first page is done, move on to the second page. Repeat until all pages are scanned.



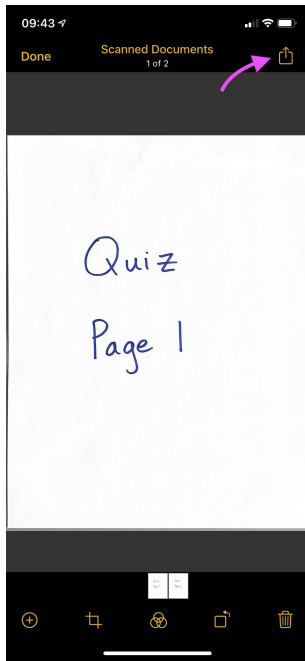
5. Tap the Save button. This button should indicate how many pages you have scanned.



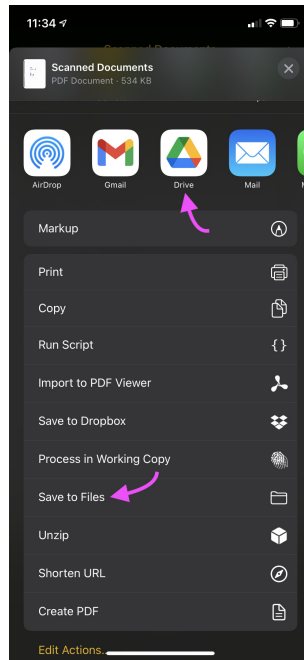
6. Now, you should see a new note with the document you just scanned. Tap the document.



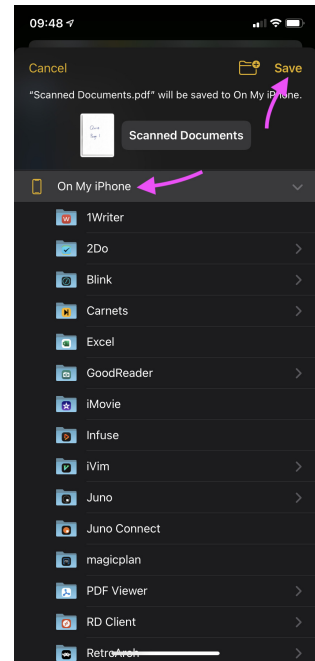
7. You should now see an expanded view of your scanned document. Tap the Share button.



8. A share sheet should now appear. At this point, you can send the PDF file to yourself by email, text, AirDrop, etc., or upload the file to Google Drive. You can also save the PDF file to local or cloud storage by tapping Save to Files.



9. If you tapped Save to Files: Choose a location to save your scanned document to a file. On My iPhone is a good default location. Tap Save.



10. You can now access the file you just saved using the Files app.

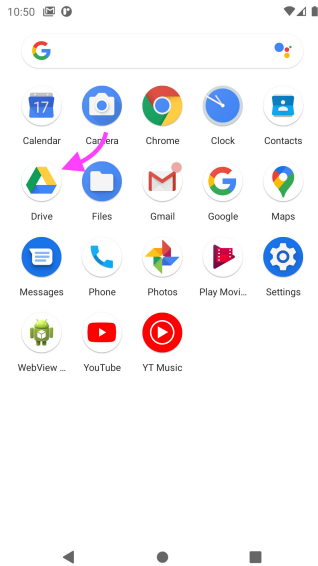


2.2 Scanning your handwritten work with an Android smartphone

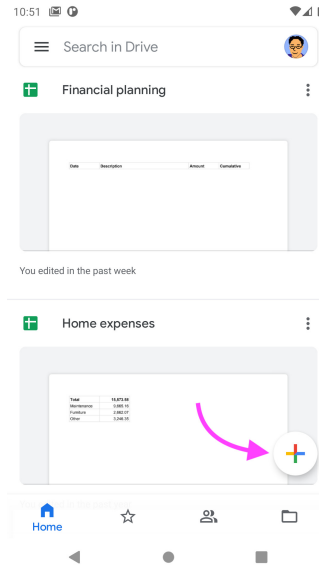
The Google Drive app on your phone has the ability to scan paper documents and put them into a PDF file.

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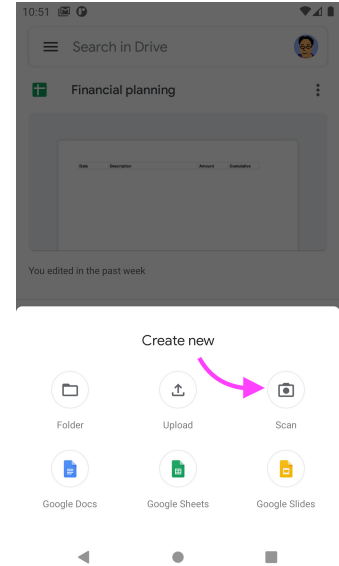
1. Open the Drive app.



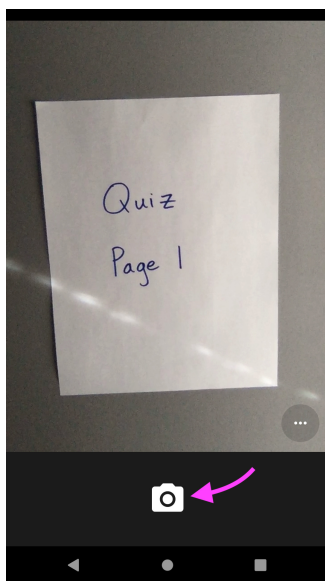
2. Tap the + button.



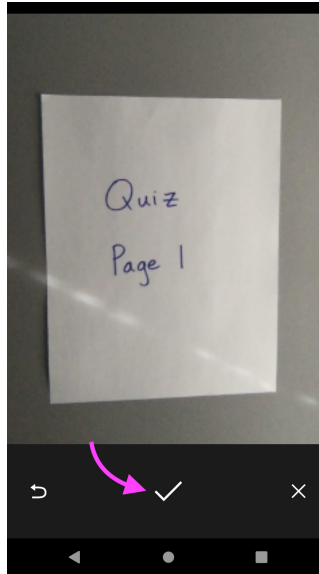
3. A menu will appear. Tap Scan.



4. Scan the first page: tap the camera icon to take a snapshot of the page.



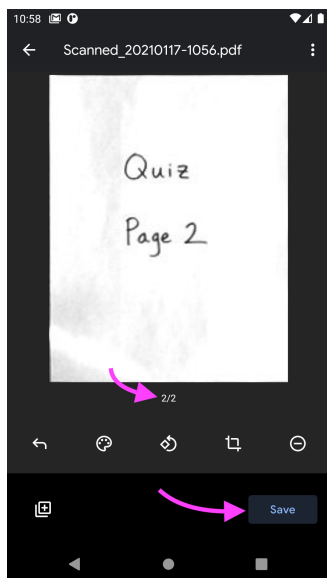
5. Tap the checkmark to confirm the scan of the first page.



6. Tap the + button to scan another page. Repeat until all pages are scanned.



7. Check that you have the right number of pages. Tap the checkmark.



8. Rename the file if you like. Tap Save. By default, this file will be saved to My Drive in your Google Drive.

