NOTE: Most of these extensions are unavailable on school chromebooks: (because of restrictions. However, if you have your own personal device and use chrome as your main browser, these extensions below could be extremely helpful! Many of these are multifunctional and fit one or more categories.

If there's an extension you think would be useful to others, let me know! Email me (vvh0.419@gmail.com) with the extension's info and I'll add it on.

# FOR STUDYING/HOMEWORK

#### **Distraction Free**

Explicitly for writing in Google Docs, whether it be for cranking out an essay or taking notes. This extension essentially converts the display into ONLY text, removing page lines and the tool bar. Super useful when wanting to write distraction free, although you may need to become familiar with some text shortcuts since the tool bar is not shown. Also available for Firefox.

### Noisli

Main usage for studying and getting work done. Plays calming/productive music and also sets a timer for work. Also has a place to take notes distraction free. Does have a membership that provides other features but is still useful with just the free version. (I personally do not use this extension, but if you are someone who likes working in timed intervals and likes listening to white noise or similar sounds, this one is for you!) Also has an app.

#### **Forest**

Similar to Noisli, this extension is meant for productivity. Sets a timer for periods of study and also blacklists certain websites. Motivates staying on track and not using blacklisted websites by stimulating growing a forest! Also available as an app (I think many prefer the app over the chrome extension, so try it out as well!) **Visor** 

If you have difficulty focusing while reading large amounts of text, or are visually sensitive, this extension could be helpful. Allows you to focus on specific parts of the text at a time as well as change screen color for reading fluency and visibility. Good for when using online textbooks with huge chunks of text or for long periods of screen reading.

### **Alphatext**

Like Visor, this extension helps with reading on various sites. Allows font, size, and color change on websites for better readability. Can also reduce clutter on webpages for better reading and focus while working on assignments. Good for those who get headaches while reading for long amounts of time or reading difficult text.

### Picture-in-Picture

Good for studying when watching a lot of videos, but want to also take notes/focus on other tasks. When watching videos, this extension will create a floating window of the video (similar to how Zoom will maintain the speaker video when it is not in full screen) so users can be on other sites without splitting screens or toggling between tabs. Recommended use in watching review videos and taking notes, doing homework that requires video usage, and also avoiding distraction from the video tab.

### Cite This For Me

Simply in the name, automatically cites the website you are on in various styles (APA, MLA, Chicago, or Harvard). Extremely useful in classes that require research and easily cites sources into an online bibliography for you.

### FOR TAKING NOTES

## Weava Highlighter

Extremely useful for reading PDFs, browsing research journals, or any sites for writing a paper or taking notes. Allows user to automatically highlight information and write notes. Will organize all highlighted information into a folder and works for pretty much any site. Highly recommended for organization and taking notes, especially when using various sources and wanting to keep note of certain information. Does have a membership available but works fine with just the free version. If you do decide to use, use code WEAVA20 for an automatic upgrade for an entire year! (Allows more information storage, more highlighting colors, collaboration, etc)

# Google Keep

If you already use Google Keep, this might be an easier way to access it. Allows users to take notes on any website and keeps track of notes, images, sites, etc. Automatically saves any notes made to Google Keep and is easily accessible.

#### FOR ORGANIZATION/PERSONALIZATION

## **Dark Reader**

Simply a "dark mode" for your browser. Customizable to always on, for specific websites, or whenever you want to. If you ultimately prefer having dark mode on, this extension is perfect and also is available for Firefox. Edge, and Safari.

### Cluster

Hate having various tabs open but also don't want to delete them? This extension is great for organizing and saving windows for later usage. Especially useful when having a gajillion tabs open for a project you want to return to later

on. Will save the entire window in its window manager, allowing you to delete the tabs for better bandwidth, clarity, etc and then later return to them.

# **Dualless**

If you only have one monitor and struggle with splitting screens, this extension will do it automatically for you. Also has different aspect ratios for your preference and need (not just 50/50 split).