
How do I register for classes?

Never fear! This packet includes directions for registering for your first semester at ECU!

1. Make sure you follow the instructions exactly.
2. Do not wait until your Orientation to register.
3. At your Orientation, an Academic Advisor will review your schedule.
 - a. If a schedule change is needed, you can do so through the first week of the fall semester.
4. **Courses fill up quickly, so register for your classes as soon as possible.**
5. If you were an Early College or Dual Enrollment student, make sure you submit a **final, official** transcript from your community college/university in addition to your high school transcript.

Registration Key Terms

<u>Academic Advisor:</u>	The staff member who will guide you through your degree. Academic Advisors assist with course registration and degree planning, among other duties.
<u>Add/Drop Period:</u>	A grace period at the beginning of each semester when you can add or drop a course without penalty.
<u>Course Load:</u>	The number of courses you are taking a semester.
<u>Credit Hour:</u>	You may also see this referred to as “semester hour credit.” Each course is assigned a number of credit hours that measures the instruction and learning for that course.
<u>Full-Time:</u>	To be enrolled as a full-time student, you should register for at least 12 credit hours a semester.
<u>General Education:</u>	Requirements outside of your major that are chosen to give you a broad, “well rounded” education.
<u>Orientation:</u>	Required session/event where you will learn about campus resources, how you are expected to behave on campus (also known as a code of conduct) and will meet with an Academic Advisor.
<u>Pre-Requisite:</u>	Course or placement you must complete before taking a course.
<u>Semester:</u>	Measurement that divides the academic year into 15-16 week terms. The main semesters are Fall (August through December) and Spring (January through May); however, there are also shorter semester (8 week) options for some courses, as well as the Summer semester (May through August).
<u>Semester Hour Credit:</u>	A semester hour credit is how college courses are measured. It is defined by the Federal Student Aid Handbook as “one hour of classroom or direct instruction, plus a minimum of two hours outside class work per week, for fifteen weeks” (the length of a semester).

 **Did you know?**

- If you want to complete your degree within 4 years, without enrolling in summer courses, you should register for *at least* 15 credit hours for the fall (and spring) semester.

Step One:

Click [HERE](#) to open a step-by-step, screenshot tutorial on how to register for classes.

Step Two: Choose your Fall Courses

1. Begin with the PRIORITY courses for your major. If those courses are full, you'll move on to the next step to continue registering for courses. You can check for open seats in priority courses until the first week of the fall semester.

Your PRIORITY courses:

<p>MATH 2127</p> <p>or</p> <p>MATH 0045/0001</p>	<p><i>Basic Concepts of Math or Intermediate Algebra</i></p> <p>Please review important math placement test information here.</p> <p>MATH 2127 is required for this degree. Please review the math placement test information to determine eligibility to enroll in this course, or if Intermediate Algebra will be required first.</p> <p>3 credit hours</p>
<p>Globally Diverse Social Science (choose one)</p>	<p>ANTH 1000: <i>Introduction to Anthropology</i> ANTH 1001: <i>Aliens, Atlantis, and Archaeology</i> ANTH 1050: <i>Global Understanding</i> ANTH 1088: <i>Anthropology of Monsters, Zombies, and Vampires</i> ANTH 2000: <i>Archaeology Around the World</i> ANTH 2010: <i>Societies Around the World</i> GEOG 1000: <i>Peoples, Places, and Environments</i> PLAN 1900: <i>Sustainable Cities</i> POLS 2010: <i>Intro to Comparative Government and Politics</i></p> <p>3 credit hours</p>
<p>English Literature (choose one)</p>	<p>ENGL 1000: <i>Appreciating Literature</i> ENGL 1500: <i>Topics in Words, Images, and Ideas</i> ENGL 2000: <i>Interpreting Literature</i> ENGL 2100: <i>Major British Writers</i> ENGL 2200: <i>Major American Writers</i> ENGL 2230: <i>Southern Literature</i> ENGL 2260: <i>Topics in Contemporary African American Cultural Texts</i> ENGL 2480: <i>Science Fiction</i> ENGL 2570: <i>The Supernatural</i></p> <p>3 credit hours</p>
<p>Social Science</p>	<p>Any General Education Social Science</p> <p>3 credit hours</p>
<p>Science without lab or Science with lab</p>	<p>Any General Education Natural Science (can be with or without its matching lab)</p> <p>3-4 credit hours</p>

Step Three: Additional Courses

For financial aid, insurance, and tuition purposes, you will likely want to register for at least 12 hours. If you did not get 12 hours from the suggestions in Step Two, please choose additional courses from the examples below.

MATE 2129	<i>Investigations into Concepts of Elementary Mathematics</i> 2 credit hours
HLTH 1000	<i>Health in Modern Society</i> 2 credit hours
ENGL 1100	<i>Foundations of College Writing</i> 3 credit hours

Step Four: What else do I need to know?

- If there is a course you want to take, but it is closed, add yourself to a wait list. Wait list instructions are [HERE](#).
- Requirements for any major can be found in the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).
- Advisors are only an email away!
 - Email coeadvising@ecu.edu from your ECU student account for assistance. Our Academic Advisors get a lot of emails and have a lot of students to help, but their goal is to return your email within two business days.

Step Five: Use Your Resources

General Education Course Options: Click [HERE](#).

Math Course Placement Information: <https://math.ecu.edu/placement/>

Registration Errors Explained: <https://advising.ecu.edu/registration-errors/>

Registration Tutorials: <https://registrar.ecu.edu/preparing-to-register/>

Undergraduate Catalog: Click [HERE](#).