RECREATION & PARK MANAGEMENT First Semester Registration Information Packet



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

Academic Advisor: The staff member who will guide you through your degree. Academic Advisors

assist with course registration and degree planning, among other duties.

Add/Drop Period: 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.

General Education: Requirements outside of your major that are chosen to give you a broad, "well

rounded" education.

Orientation: 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.

Semester: Measurement that divides the academic year into 15-16 week terms. The main

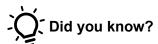
semesters are Fall (August through December) and Spring (January through May); however, there are also shorter semester (8 week) options for some

courses, as well as the Summer semester (May through August).

Semester Hour Credit: 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).



• 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.

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Step One:

Click **HERE** to open a step-by-step, screenshot tutorial on how to register for classes.

Step Two: Choose your Fall Courses

For financial aid, insurance, and tuition purposes, you will likely want to register for at least 12 hours minimum although we recommend 14-16 hours to stay on track for graduation during your first semester. Please choose from first semester options below to create a schedule equaling 14-16 credit hours.

RCSC 2601: Leisure in Society	Required.
Edicare in educity	3 credit hours
ENGL 1100:	Required general education.
Foundations of College	, -
Writing	3 credit hours
HLTH 1000:	Required general education.
Health in Modern Society	3 credit hours
	Click HERE for list of general education courses.
	Suggested courses include:
Natural Science (with Lab):	BIOL1050/1051: General Biology with Lab
General Education	BIOL 1060/1061: Environmental Biology with Lab
	GEOG 1250/1251: Water In the Environment with Lab
	GEOL 1500/1501: Dynamic Earth with Lab
	GEOL 1550/1551: Oceanography with Lab
	PHYS 1080/1081: Physics and the Universe with Lab
	4 credit hours
	Click <u>HERE</u> for list of general education courses.
	Suggested courses include:
Social Science:	33
General Education	ANTH 1000: Introduction to Anthropology
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	GENS 2400: Introduction to Gender Studies
	GEOG 1000: People, Places, and Environments
	PSYC 1000: Introductory Psychology SOCI 1010: Race, Gender, Class
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	COO! 10201 Countering and Marriago
	3 credit hours
Humanities:	Click HERE for list of general education courses.
General Education	Click <u>nere</u> for its of general education courses.
General Education	3 credit hours

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Fine Arts:
General Education

Click **HERE** for list of general education courses.

Suggested courses include:

ART 1910: Art Appreciation

DNCE 1000: Introduction to Dance **MUSC 2207:** The Enjoyment of Music **THEA 1000:** Introduction to Theatre

3 credit hours

Optional:
COAD 1000:
Student Development &
Learning in Higher Educ

This is a freshman seminar course designed to assist students with their transition to ECU.

1 credit hours

Step Three: What else do I need to know?

- Remember, the schedule you create now does not need to be perfect. We will double-check
 everything at orientation and make suggestions if needed. As long as you are registered for 14-16
 credit hours from option above, you are doing great!
- If there is a course you want to take, but it is closed, add yourself to a wait list. Wait list instructions are HERE. Even if you are on a waitlist, please be sure to register for an alternative or back-up course so that you are registered for at least 14-16 credit hours. You can always drop these alternate courses if you get into your waitlist course.
- Advisors are only an email away!
 - Email hhpadvising@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 Four: 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/