Closed Courses and You: The Best Advice of UC Advisors

So you went to enroll in a course and it is full. Now what? You already know the bad news, that the course is currently closed. What you may not know, however, is the good news: There are options available to you! As long as you meet the pre-requisites for the closed class you would like to enroll in, the following options are available to you:

- Make sure you are checking Ozone FRE-QUENTLY. Seat availability can change rapidly and for those classes without a waitlist seats are first-come, first-served, so check Ozone as often as you can for a seat in that class you want or need!

- Get on the electronic waitlist (if available). Sometimes the instructor or department for a class has included an electronic waitlist for the class on Ozone. Ozone will put interested students on the waitlist once the allotted seats for the course have been filled. Being on the waitlist is not a guarantee of getting into the class, but rather a possibility. As students withdraw from a course with a waitlist in place, seats will become available to waitlisted students based on their position on the waitlist. When a space opens up on the waitlist, Enrollment Services will manually add the next person on the waitlist and send that person an e-mail saying they have been added to the class roster.

- Contact the department or instructor and see if they are keeping a physical waitlist, and, if they are, ask to have your name added. If a seat opens up, it will be your responsibility to enroll in the class or reject the offer of the seat so that it can be passed on to another student.

- Go to class on the first day and speak to the instructor. Sometimes instructors will allow students to enroll in the course over the maximum listed because of drops that may occur during the first couple of weeks of classes. As with the previous options, enrollment in the course once permission has been given will be your responsibility. Please note that the decision to over-enroll a course, regardless of whether students need the course for their major, is entirely up to the instructor!

Remember, putting your name on a waitlist or contacting an instructor is not a guarantee of getting into a class. The advisors in University College strongly encourage students on a waitlist or petitioning an instructor for permission to take a course to be enrolled in a back-up course listed as an alternative on the advising form. If a seat in the course you want to take opens up, then you can always drop the back-up class in favor of the desired class.
How do I Move to My Degree Granting College?

The advisors at UC actually get this question often this time of year. As much as we love our students and as much as students enjoy being in University College, they are always anxious to get on with their studies and over to their degree recommending college. In a nutshell, to have their records transferred to their degree granting college, students need to have three requirements met:

1) a declared major; 2) 24 hours of college credit; and, 3) the minimum required GPA for admission to their degree granting college. That’s it! Not sure what the minimum GPA for your desired degree granting college is? The list below provides the names of all of the colleges and the GPA needed to have your records sent to them:

- Academic Affairs: 2.00
- College of Architecture: 2.50
- College of Arts and Sciences: 2.00
- College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences: 2.00
- Michael F. Price College of Business: 2.50 both OU and overall
- College of Continuing Education: 2.25
- Mewbourne College of Earth and Energy: 2.50 both OU and overall
- Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education: 2.75 both OU and overall
- College of Engineering: 2.00
- Weitzenhoffer Family College of Fine Arts: 2.50
- College of International Studies: 2.00
- Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication: 2.75 both OU and overall

Advising Appointments Still Available!

Appointments with University College’s academic advisors for the fall 2013 semester are still available! With all enrollment windows now open, students still needing to be advised should make their appointments as soon as possible to get enrolled before the incoming freshman class. Remember, you CANNOT enroll until you have seen an advisor and your advising stop has been lifted. Classes are filling up fast and the incoming freshman class will be enrolling soon, so get advised ASAP!

Appointments can be made at: http://iadvise.ou.edu

Action Tutoring

UC’s Student Learning Center has special UC Action tutoring sessions for finals, including some “Action Mobile” assistance through Apple’s Facetime app. Details at uc.ou.edu/action. Their Wagner 245 computer lab is open extended hours May 4-10: this Saturday-Sunday 3pm-1am, Monday-Thursday 8am-1am, and Friday 8am-5pm. Our Housing Learning Center (Muldrow 105, by Cane’s) is open Sunday-Thursday 3pm-10pm. Take action towards your own academic success!

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