

## **Priority Registration Process**

**Priority Registration** is considered a reasonable accommodation for students with certain disabilities and functional limitations and is determined and approved by the ADRC on a case-by-case basis.

**Priority Registration** allows the student to register for courses one week prior to the advanced registration date, based on credit hours earned. Please check the <u>academic calendar</u> and <u>OU ONE</u>.

Priority Registration is approved when a student's disability-related barrier(s) requires such accommodation to be put in place. Examples of disability-related barriers include but are not limited to:

- A course schedule with travel time built in, due to a disability that impacts mobility, speed, stamina, and/or endurance to cross the campus or requires medical rest period between classes.
- Services or accommodations that may require significant planning and time on the part of ADRC to arrange, which may include: ASL interpreting, Communication Access Realtime Translation (CART), or the creation of other accessible course materials such as Braille.
- A specific schedule due to significant or chronic medical conditions, or those following a strict medication or treatment regimen impacting their ability to attend classes at certain times of the day.

Please note: This accommodation is designed to address specific barriers/functional limitations and therefore, eligibility is not automatically granted based on a disability diagnosis.

Students requesting priority registration must follow the <u>ADRC Registration process</u> outlined on our website.

Once priority registration accommodation is approved by ADRC, students must:

- Meet with their academic advisor as soon as possible, dependent on advisor openings (schedule an appointment via iAdvise) prior to the priority registration date.
- Register for courses on the (see above) designated for priority registration.
- Once approved, students will be eligible for priority registration for the duration of their degree program, unless otherwise noted.
- Students do not need to reapply or request priority registration each semester or year unless otherwise noted.

## Thoughts to consider when using this accommodation:

- The time and frequency of the class;
- The need for back-to-back classes or ample breaks in-between classes;
- If the course load has a balance of academically challenging and less difficult classes.

## **Priority Registration does not:**

- Guarantee availability of courses or provision of courses/sections at specific times.
- Exempt students from meeting prerequisites.
- Grant access to restricted or closed courses or sections.
- Supersede any holds on your account (ex. Bursar, Advising)