Half-Credit Course Guidebook

SCUE's overview of Half-Credit Course Registration and the Spring 2018 Half-Credit Course Roster

Fall 2017

The Student Committee on Undergraduate Education
University of Pennsylvania

About Half-Credit Courses

Dear Penn Student,

The University of Pennsylvania prides itself on its commitment to a multidisciplinary undergraduate experience for all of its students. Although its undergraduate population is divided into four distinct schools, Penn promotes the "One University" concept in order to encourage students to develop and pursue various interests across schools. Through coordinated dual-degree programs, inter-school minors, and requirements to enroll in classes outside of a student's chosen major, Penn places high value on multidisciplinary learning. As stated by Penn's very own Benjamin Franklin, "The doors of wisdom are never shut."

In evaluating aspects in which Penn's academic community can be improved and aligned more closely with these concepts surrounding learning, the Student Committee on Undergraduate Education (SCUE) has begun to explore and understand the status quo of half-credit courses at Penn. After conducting thorough research for the past year on Penn's current half-credit offerings through faculty opinion, student input, and similar classes at peer institutions, it has become clear that half-credit courses offer the unique ability to add value to a student's education outside of the standard undergraduate curriculum.

Thus, we have put together this guidebook to help you register and identify half credit courses for the Spring 2018 semester.

Sincerely,
The Student Committee on Undergraduate Education

Signing Up for Half-Credit Courses

Full Semester Courses

Class Timing: Meet 1.5 hours every week for the entire duration of the semester

Timeline to Register: Advanced registration or the add/drop period

Penn InTouch Registration: When you click on the course title on Penn InTouch to see the course details, it should say 0.5 CUs and meeting dates from 8/29/2017 through 12/11/2017. The majority of non-Wharton half-credit courses fall under this category.

*Note that for Computer Science (CIS) half-credits courses taught by undergraduate students, registration will occur after the advanced registration process.

Half Semester Courses

Class Timing: Meet for 3 hours per week for half of the semester

Timeline to Register: Advanced registration or the add/drop period

Penn InTouch Registration: When you click on the course title on Penn InTouch to see the course details, it should say 0.5 CUs and meeting dates from 8/29/17 through 10/18/17 or 10/19/17 through 12/11/17.

*Note that the add and drop deadline is different depending on the portion of the semester for which you are registering.

First half courses (8/29/17 through 10/18/17): Register for these classes normally as you would a 1 CU course on Penn InTouch, during advanced registration or the add/drop period.

Second half courses (10/19/17 through 12/11/17): During advanced registration and the add/drop period, you can register for a second half course on Penn InTouch. After the add/drop period is over, but before the class begins, you must go to the department's registrar in order to be enrolled in that class.

Other Opportunities

Class Timing: Varies by program, but most programs are less than 15 days

Timeline to Register: Varies by program, check the rules for the specific program

Registration: When you click on the course title on Penn InTouch to see the course details, it should say 0.5 CUs and meeting dates from 8/29/17 through 10/18/17 or 10/19/17 through 12/11/17.

Types of opportunities:

- WIP Trips: There is an application to participate in the trip, typically released in October.
- WIEP Trip: There is an application to participate in the trip, typically released ~6 months prior.
- Senior Capstone (Wharton Seniors only): Registration opens in end of September, early October. A lottery will be used if oversubscribed.
- Global Modular Courses

Spring 2018 Undergraduate Half-Credit Courses

College of Arts & Sciences

Department	Course ID	Course Title	Syllabus
Music	MUSC 005	College House Music Program	
	MUSC 007	Ensemble Performance	

School of Engineering & Applied Science

Department	Course ID	Course Title	Syllabus
Electrical & Systems Engineering	ESE 190	Silicon Garage	Syllabus Link
	ESE 290	Introduction to Electrical and Systems Engineering Research Methodology	Syllabus Link

Wharton

Department	Course ID	Course Title	Syllabus
Finance	FNCE 383	Asp- Strategic Equity Finance	
	FNCE 385	Asp- Fin-Tech	
	FNCE 387	Asp- Shareholder Activism	
	FNCE 393	Global Monetary and Financial	Syllabus Link
	FNCE 395	Asp- Seminar in Private Equity	
	FNCE 397	Finance in Middle East & North Africa	
Legal Studies	LGST 242	Big Data, Big Responsibilities: The Laws and Ethics of Business Analytics	
Management	MGMT 224	Leading Diversity in Org	Syllabus Link
	MGMT 265	Culture of Technology - Culture & Institutions of the Tech Sector -- Bridging Research and Practice	Syllabus Link

Department	Course ID	Course Title	Syllabus
Marketing	MKTG 225	Principles of Retailing	Syllabus Link
	MKTG 227	Digital Marketing and Electronic Commerce	Syllabus Link
	MKTG 254	Pricing Policy	
	MKTG 350	Special Topics: Consumer Neuroscience	Syllabus Link
	MKTG 351	Special Topics: Introduction to Brain Science for Business	
Operations Information & Decisions Department	OIDD 299	Judgment and Decision Making Research Immersion	
	OIDD 397	Retail Supply Chain Management	Syllabus Link
Statistics	STAT 405	Statistical Computing with R	Syllabus Link
	STAT 422	Predictive Analytics	Syllabus Link