Course Information

Online Schedule of Classes
Detailed information pertaining to classes available for the current academic year is viewable online via a searchable schedule of classes. Schedules for prior years are available in schedule archives. The online schedule of classes, instructions for use and schedule archives can be found on the Office of the Registrar website at www.du.edu/registrar.

Because the online schedule of classes is available to the general public, prospective students and other interested parties can view detailed information about courses offered for specific terms. The detailed information available from the schedule of classes makes it a valuable tool for developing course schedules prior to advising and registration. The class schedule listing page includes instructor email links, section notes, meeting times and links to other section information for courses meeting search criteria.

Course Number Designation
0001-0999: pre-collegiate, remedial, or continuing education unit courses
1000-1999: undergraduate courses (lower division)
2000-2999: advanced undergraduate courses (upper division)
3000-3999: advanced undergraduate and graduate courses (combined)
4000 or over: graduate courses

Independent Study
Independent study offers the opportunity to extend learning beyond formal courses and to explore intellectual independence. To be eligible for Independent Study, a student should demonstrate qualities necessary for interested and intensive inquiry. Students must obtain an independent study form from their program’s registration office. Registrar approval is required before the form is completed by the student, instructor and chair of the department.

The following policies apply:

• The independent study project must be considered as upper-division credit (course number 3991).
• At least one hour (quarter) of credit is required for Independent Study, and a maximum of 10 credit hours can be applied toward degree requirements, except for students in the Honors Program. Ordinarily, a maximum of five credit hours of independent study may be taken in any quarter.
• Individual academic departments may have further restrictions on the number of Independent Study hours that can be applied toward major requirements.
• Independent study may not replace a course listed in the course catalog.
• The student, instructor and chair of the department must agree upon the title and outline of the independent study project.

In addition to these policies, undergraduate students who do not meet the following criteria will not be approved for independent study.

Non-Business Independent Study
To be eligible for Independent study in non-business disciplines, an undergraduate must meet the following criteria:

• The student must be in academic good standing (i.e., a minimum 2.0 GPA).
• The student must have been enrolled as a full-time student during the preceding quarter.

Business Independent Study
To be eligible for independent study in business disciplines, an undergraduate must meet the following criteria:

• The student must be a business major.
• The student must have reached junior standing (completed 90 quarter hours) and degree checkpoint 2.
• Of the hours completed, 45 must have been completed at the University of Denver.
• The student must have been enrolled as a full-time student during the preceding quarter.
• The student must have a minimum 2.5 GPA.
Independent Research

Independent research opportunities are available to students for dissertation and thesis research or other independent research.

The following policies apply:

- Independent research projects (course numbers generally ending in 995) appear on the student’s transcript with the specific topic as the course title.
- On successful completion of the project or on its termination by request of the department, the research advisor will record a final grade. The department may use the A-F grading system in evaluating the research or record ‘P’ (pass) or ‘F’ (fail).
- Projects must be undertaken within the academic term in which they are registered.
- Students obtain applications from their academic department or the Office of the Registrar. Partial applications will not be processed.
- The responsibilities of the instructor of record are the following:
  1. See that the grades are submitted;
  2. Approve the course of research;
  3. Approve the credentials of other faculty involved;
  4. Agree to assume responsibility if problems arise.
- Registration after published registration dates is not permitted.

Directed Study

A directed study course is a permanent catalog course delivered on an individual basis when the course is not offered in a given term. Directed study courses are approved under extenuating circumstances to provide an opportunity to complete a required course. The following policies apply:

- Directed study courses must be approved by the instructor and department concerned.
- Directed study courses (1992, 2992, 3992, 4992, 5992) appear on the student’s transcript with the specific course title.
- Projects must be undertaken within the academic term in which they are registered.
- There can be no change in the basic content of the course. In particular, this means the level, subject code, description, title, grading policy (A–F, P/ NP), credits and course content cannot differ from the permanent course.
- Directed study courses use the same forms and processes as independent study. Partial applications are not processed.
- Registration after published registration dates is not permitted.
- The responsibilities of the instructor of record are to
  1. See that the grades are submitted;
  2. See that the material is presented in full in a timely manner;
  3. Approve the course of study;
  4. Approve the credentials of other faculty involved; and
  5. Agree to assume responsibility if problems arise. The faculty member must have taught the permanent course or a related course prior to teaching a directed study.

Experiential Learning/Internship Credit

Juniors and seniors may earn up to 10 quarter hours of credit for cooperative education and internships if offered in their program. Approval by the faculty advisor and/or director of internships and cooperative education is required prior to registration or beginning the work experience. All internships follow a planned schedule of activities as established by the school in cooperation with the job establishment. Students are expected to maintain regular contact with their faculty advisor and complete appropriate assignments as dictated by their instructor.

Courses for No Credit

A student may register for no credit (NC) with the approval of the course instructor. Regular quarter-hour credit is used to count the total academic load even though the course earns no academic credit. The tuition charge for no-credit enrollment is the same as a course taken for credit. The course is listed on the student’s academic record with a grade of (NC). A grade of no credit is not calculated in a student’s GPA, and the credit hours do not apply toward a degree. A no-credit registration cannot be changed to credit registration after the first five days of the quarter. A student enrolled for credit cannot change to no credit after the end of the sixth week of the quarter. University College does not offer courses for no credit.

Auditing Privileges

Auditing privileges are available only to full-time students (those enrolled for 12 or more quarter hours) who have the approval of the course instructor. Auditing privileges are not available for Daniels College of Business or University College courses. No tuition is charged, and no record of the course is made. A student does not officially register for a course that is being audited. A student who wants an audited course to appear on his/her academic
record (transcript) should see the Courses for No Credit section in this bulletin for an alternative option. Approval for auditing privileges is granted at the instructor’s discretion and only where space is available.

**Graduate Courses for Undergraduate Credit (Credit Counted toward Bachelor’s Degree)**

With advance approval of the chair and the department or the dean of the college or school, undergraduate students may request to take a graduate course for undergraduate credit. Graduate courses taken for undergraduate credit may not be used again for credit upon enrollment in University of Denver graduate programs. Students should consult the college, school or department to avoid potential conflict.

**Graduate Credit for Undergraduate Students (Credit Counted toward Graduate Degree)**

With advance approval of the chair and the department or dean of the college or school, undergraduate students who are within 10 credit hours of the number required for graduation and who have fulfilled specific requirements may receive graduate credit for a maximum of 10 credit hours of 3000- and 4000-level courses taken in excess of the graduation requirements.

**ROTC Credit**

A maximum of 18 hours of elective credit may be earned through ROTC.

**Concurrent Registration**

Students wanting to enroll in courses at another institution while enrolled at DU must petition the Academic Exceptions Committee (http://bulletin.du.edu/undergraduate/academicpoliciesandprocedures/exceptiontoacademicpolicy). No transfer credit is allowed for courses carried concurrently without prior permission. The total study load allowed may not exceed 19 quarter hours. Courses taken concurrently must not be available at the University of Denver.