Welcome to Academics

All students are asked to complete a questionnaire which gives you the opportunity to introduce yourself to your academic adviser. This document will help your adviser get to know your strengths and interests prior to your arrival on campus.

Secondly, you will enter your course preferences. Central Records will register you for courses based on your selections. After you complete the form, you may go back and make changes, but be sure to finish editing the form by the deadline. The link to view your schedule will be available on TheHub before you arrive. During the add/drop period at the beginning of the semester, you may make changes to your schedule after consulting with your advisor. If you have questions regarding these forms or academic policy, please feel free to contact the Central Records Office at 413-559-5421 or email us at centralrecords@hampshire.edu.

If you are not familiar with the academic program at Hampshire we suggest you read the Division Requirements before entering your course preferences.
Course Preferences

Welcome to Hampshire College! An important part of your enrollment at Hampshire is indicating your preferences for the courses you'll take during your first semester.

Central Records (Registrar) will register you for four courses based on your selections to give you a well-rounded schedule in a variety of distribution areas. Your tutorial will be assigned according to how you rank your selections and space availability. The rest of your schedule will depend on space availability, distribution, and course meeting times. After you enter your selections, you may go back and edit them, but be sure to complete the form by the deadlines. During the add/drop period at the beginning of the semester, you may make changes to your non-tutorial courses after consulting with your advisor. If you have questions regarding these forms or academic policy, please feel free to contact the Central Records Office at 413-559-5421 or email us at centralrecords@hampshire.edu.

During the first two semesters of enrollment, students must complete a minimum of seven faculty-evaluated courses: three electives and one course each in 4 of the 5 distribution areas.

- Arts, Design, and Media (ADM)
- Culture, Humanities, and Languages (CHL)
- Mind, Brain, and Information (MBI)
- Physical and Biological Sciences (PBS)
- Power, Community and Social Justice (PCSJ)

Students also carry out a collaborative Curricular Embedded Learning Activity (CEL-1). You will learn more about this opportunity during orientation.

We will register you for a tutorial: a small, advisor-led seminar which counts for one of your distribution requirements, and three other 100- or 200-level courses that will apply to your first-year requirements. In step 4, you may indicate if you are interested in registering for a language course.

To accomplish these tasks, complete the following four steps:

1. Browse the course descriptions to learn more about the focus of a course.
2. Indicate your preferences for a first-year tutorial.
3. Indicate your preferences for other 100- or 200-level distribution courses.
4. Indicate your preferences for a language course.

Please note that if you "search for classes" on the Hampshire College public website, courses may appear to be full. Don't be concerned. We have saved spaces for first-year students.

To begin browsing course descriptions, proceed to Step 1.

Viewing Your Class Schedule

In mid-August, you will be able to see your preliminary schedule of classes on The-Hub, which may change slightly prior to your arrival. Before classes begin in September, you will have a scheduled meeting with your advisor. At that time, you may discuss making changes to your schedule and registering for instructor permission, Five College, DPRA, and other non-distribution 200-level courses. You may not change your tutorial assignment.
Browse Courses

You can view the complete course description and the faculty biography by selecting a course from the list below. If you find a course that interests you, simply click the button labeled “Remember This Course”. Please note that this is not a complete list of all courses offered in the fall, but is limited to courses that satisfy distribution requirements.

Tutorials are identified by course numbers ending in “T”. In steps 2 and 3 you need to identify 8 First Year Tutorials and 12 other 100-level and 200-level courses that you would consider taking during your first semester at Hampshire College.

Once you have completed your course descriptions, you may wish to make changes to courses you previously entered. Proceed to Step 2.

Select a course:
First Year Tutorial

Using the form below indicate preferences for your tutorial, which we will assign according to how you rank your selections and space availability. You must enter all eight choices. Your tutorial faculty member will serve as your advisor in Division I and act as a resource as you move into Division II. Check the complete list of faculty biographies for more information on tutorial faculty. Check an individual faculty biography in the course description in step 1. Please note:

- Students may take only one tutorial. Your tutorial does not need to be in a study area that you pursue in Division II.
- You must indicate your preference in at least four of the five distribution areas:
  - Arts, Design, and Media (ADM)
  - Culture, Humanities, and Languages (CHL)
  - Mind, Brain, and Information (MBI)
  - Physical and Biological Sciences (PBS)
  - Power, Community and Social Justice (PCSJ)
- You cannot select more than three tutorials in the same distribution area.
- Any courses you chose to "remember" from Step 1 have course names denoted by >>>>>> in the course list below.
- We cannot guarantee enrollment in any specific tutorial.

Once you're done entering your tutorial preferences, you will be taken to Step 3.

First Choice:  
Second Choice:  
Third Choice:  
Fourth Choice:  
Fifth Choice:  
Sixth Choice:  
Seventh Choice:  
Eighth Choice:  

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Other Courses

Using the form below, indicate your preferences for 109- and 200-level courses, which we will assign based on seat availability, distribution, and course meeting times. The 200-level courses listed on the next page satisfy the distribution requirements and are appropriate for first-year students. You must enter all 12 choices.

Please note:

- Students at Hampshire College take a tutorial and three other courses during their first semester.
- You must indicate your preference in at least four of the five distribution areas:
  - Arts, Design, and Media (ADM)
  - Culture, Humanities, and Languages (CHL)
  - Mind, Brain, and Information (MBI)
  - Physical and Biological Sciences (PBS)
  - Power, Community and Social Justice (PCSJ)
- You cannot select more than four courses in the same distribution area.
- Any course you choose to "remember" from Step 1 have course codes denoted by > > > > > > in the course list below.
- We cannot guarantee enrollment in specific courses.
- You will meet with your advisor in September to discuss any changes to your schedule.

| First Choice |  |
| Second Choice |  |
| Third Choice |  |
| Fourth Choice |  |
| Fifth Choice |  |
| Sixth Choice |  |
| Seventh Choice |  |
| Eighth Choice |  |
| Ninth Choice |  |
| Tenth Choice |  |
| Eleventh Choice |  |
| Twelfth Choice |  |

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Language Course

Are you planning on enrolling in a language course at Hampshire? If so, select the course from the list below:

- No language course
- LS-0101 - Elementary Spanish I
- LS-0102 - Elementary Spanish II
- LS-0110 - Elementary Arabic I
- LS-0111 - Elementary Chinese I
- LS-0123 - American Sign Language I
- LS-0201 - Intermediate Spanish I
- LS-0202 - Intermediate Spanish II
- LS-0311 - Third Year Chinese I

Courses satisfy the Culture, Humanities, and Languages (CHL) distribution.

If you have taken courses other than language courses in your first semester, you should
consider taking an A or B in your first language course.

If you take C or D or better to satisfy any of the CHL electives.
Error Check

Congratulations! You've completed entering your course preferences.

You may edit your course preferences up until the deadline. Always begin at Step 1: Browse Course Descriptions. When you continue to Step 2, you may proceed with editing.

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