

Early Registration Information Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Spring 2010

October 26 – November 2, 2009



Brandeis University, Office of the University Registrar

Key Early Registration Dates

October 26 10:00am Early registration opens in Sage

November 2 at 11:59pm Early registration ends in Sage

By registering for classes, students acknowledge their acceptance of the rules and regulations as stated in the *Brandeis Graduate Student Handbook and Bulletin*.

Sage How To Guides and Information

To locate information on how to effectively use sage please visit the sage help page at sage.brandeis.edu.

Clearing a Registration HOLD

Account HOLDS: Prior to registration it is vital that students check to see if they have a hold on their account. If you have a registration HOLD, you are not allowed to participate in the registration/course enrollment process until the HOLD is resolved. There are several different reasons that you may have a hold, some of which are:

1. outstanding financial obligations to the University
2. various Brandeis Health Center issues, including proof of health insurance or immunizations
3. failure to check in at ISSO

Students can see if they have a HOLD on their account by logging into sage and looking at the HOLD box (located on the right hand side of the Student Center). Students can then contact the office that placed the HOLD. Once the situation has been resolved the HOLD will be removed from the student's account electronically.

When and How Do I Register?

Sage is used by students for all online registration activity. Graduate students may register starting October 26 at 10 am. Early registration will close November 2 at 11:59 pm.

Students should pay particular attention to their enrollments and promptly register for independent studies, readings, and research courses.

Students who have completed course work must register for the appropriate CONT class: CONT 500A (full time study) or CONT 450A (part time study).

If a class is closed that is critical to your plan this semester, be sure to select the option to be placed on the Waitlist/Demand List. To be placed on a Demand List, select the OK to Demand List checkbox when you attempt to enroll in the class.

At the end of the registration period, the Demand Lists are reviewed by departments and administrators to determine if additional sections can be mounted or if the numeric limit on a course should be adjusted. The demand list option is only available during the early registration period.

Class Cancellations and Registration Moves to a Different Section

In addition to failure to resolve holds, registrations will be canceled if a student withdraws from the university, or takes a leave of absence. Additionally, departments may cancel registrations in a course if a student does not meet the prerequisite for the class. The university has the right to cancel any class which has an enrollment of eight or fewer students.

Departments and programs may consolidate sections and change students' registration to a different section in an effort to accommodate the largest number of students in the class.

Manual Registration/Using Paper Request Forms

While Sage is to be used for all online registration activity, there are some transactions that require a paper form and a visit to the Office of the University Registrar Kutz Hall 121.

Time Conflicts: Students may not enroll in classes that have overlapping meeting times listed in Sage. Students who attempt overlapping classes must present a signed Time Conflict Form indicating that the instructors of both classes are mindful of the conflict, that neither objects, and that no irregularities or conflicts will arise in the administration of final examinations. Students are at their own risk and are responsible for all materials covered in class whether or not they are in attendance.

Enrolling in Undergraduate Courses: A graduate student who wishes to enroll in an undergraduate course (numbered under 100) needs to complete an add/drop form signed by the instructor and bring it to the Office of the University Registrar by the end of the registration period. Instead of using an add/drop form, a student may register using sage if a consent code from the instructor has been obtained.

Petitioning for an Undergraduate Course to Count Towards a Graduate Degree:

A graduate student seeking credit toward their graduate degree by taking an undergraduate class must complete the Petition for Graduate Credit Form found on the forms page of the Office of the University Registrar's website and obtain the required signatures. This form should be returned to Richard Cunnane in the Office of the University Registrar.

Auditing a Course

The privilege of auditing courses without a fee is extended to all regularly enrolled, full-time graduate student except special students. No course may be audited without the permission of the instructor and the student's program chair. Students should print off the Add/Drop form, obtain the appropriate signatures, and bring the form to the Office of the University Registrar.

Cross Registration

Graduate students should refer to their specific program information in the *Bulletin* regarding schools which participate in graduate cross-registration. For additional information see: www.brandeis.edu/registrar/schedule/crossregistration.html

All manual registration forms can be found on the Forms page of the registrar's website.

The manual registration deadline is 5:00pm on the last day of early registration.

Preparing to Register/Selecting Courses

It is recommended that each student connect with his/her advisor prior to registering.

To view your transcript log into Sage and click:

Academics > Transcript/Enrollment Verifications > Unofficial Transcript

Make a list of alternate sections and classes before online registration opens. Plan your schedule out on a grid with all the days and times, so you can see where you have openings. Don't forget to include any evening recitation sessions, your extra-curricular activities, practice or meeting times, and breaks for meals

If there is only one section offered of a class you want to take, register for that class first and plan the rest of your schedule around it.

Class Schedule and Course Syllabus

To view all classes offered for each program, use the public display of the Schedule of Classes found on the Registrar's website. Students may also search the schedule by logging on to Sage.

There are many course syllabi available for previewing. Log on to LATTE to use the syllabus tool.

Prerequisites

Where a prerequisite is listed (shown with course descriptions in the *Bulletin*), be sure you have met that prerequisite. A prerequisite is a requirement that must be satisfied before enrolling in a particular class.

Classes Requiring Signatures

Access to some classes is governed by signature. To secure a space in such a course you will need a consent code (which serves as an electronic signature). To get a consent code, contact the person whose signature is required— usually the instructor or a named departmental representative. Or students may complete a paper add/drop form with the instructor's signature and manually register at the registrar's office.

Directory Information

Information in the student section of the Brandeis University Online Directory is taken from data supplied by students. Students may at any time update names, addresses, and other personal data items. However, the request to change a primary name requires the presentation of two forms of identification, one of which is a picture ID, at the Office of the University Registrar in Kutz 121 during regular business hours. For security purposes, such changes may not be accomplished over the telephone or electronically. Changes to other items of personal data may be requested through the [Sage](#) system.

Changes in Privacy Settings

Log on to [Sage](#) and click: **Personal Information > select Privacy Settings from the drop down box**

Public Notice Designating Directory Information

The University designates the following categories of student information as public "directory information." Such information may be disclosed by the institution for any purpose, at its discretion. The University makes student directory information available electronically (as an online directory) at the start of the fall semester. Currently enrolled students and newly matriculated students may withhold disclosure of any category of information under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. Students may use the personal privacy settings within sage to restrict disclosure of directory information, all or in part. Changes to privacy settings may require up to 48 hours to take effect. Brandeis University assumes that failure on the part of any student to specifically request the withholding of public information indicates individual approval for disclosure.

Category I - Name, local addresses (including electronic address) and telephone number, home address and telephone number, date of birth, full-time/part-time status, class (i.e. freshman, sophomore, etc.) and photographic and digital likeness.

Category II - Dates of attendance and major at Brandeis, previous institution(s) attended and major field of study, awards and honors, degree(s) conferred and date(s) conferred.

Category III - Past and present participation in officially recognized sports and activities, physical factors (height, weight of athletes).