

Registration for COM Freshmen, Spring 2016

If you have a question or would like to make an appointment, call Undergraduate Affairs at 353-3471 or email at comugrad@bu.edu.

You will be taking one COM and three CAS courses next semester. You can only register for up to 18 total credits. Similar to your schedule for Fall 2015, you should plan on taking four academic courses:

+++*For students majoring in **Journalism or Mass Communication, Advertising, and Public Relations**, you will be taking:*

***COM CO201**

This course is designed as the next course in sequence for most COM students, as a follow-up writing course to COM CO101.

+++*For students majoring in **Film and Television**, you will be taking:*

***COM FT201**

This course is designed as the first course in sequence for Film/TV majors, introducing beginning techniques, styles, and methods of media production.

Students in all three majors will then take the following:

***WR150**

This course is required for all COM undergraduate students. It is a continuation of the WR100 course that most of you have taken this Fall. You do not have to take this in Spring 2016, but it is highly recommended that you do so. More information about upcoming topics for WR150 can be found at <http://www.bu.edu/writingprogram/writing-program-curriculum/writing-seminars/cas-wr-150/>. The specific topics may still need some time to be worked out for Spring 2016 registration.

Students in all three majors will also then take the following:

Two more four-credit liberal arts courses:

You will want to refer to the liberal arts requirement sheet when selecting liberal arts courses and the equivalent choices listed on the distribution guide. The foundation requirements are listed at <http://www.bu.edu/com/resources/current-students/undergraduate/forms/>. If you are still pursuing a foreign language, it is encouraged that you do so through Spring 2016. Remember, however, that you would only need to fulfill a foreign language through second-semester proficiency.

*Please note that CASWR100 is a pre-requisite for both CO201 and WR150. If you are not taking WR100 now or do not have credit for it another way, you would not be able to register for either of these courses in the Spring. If you are currently taking WR097, you would move on to take WR098 in the Spring, along with three other liberal arts courses; if you are currently taking WR098, you would move on to take WR100 and CO101 in the Spring, along with two other liberal arts course.

*CAS WR100 is NOT a pre-requisite for COM FT201, though it is recommended students finish WR100 and CO101 before enrolling in FT201. If some students would like to take FT201 in addition to COM CO101 in the Spring, you would want to register for CO101 and three other courses at your normal registration time on November 22. You would then come to the Film/TV Department on November 23 to register for FT201, should there be open seats. Once you are registered for both, you would drop one of the other classes on your schedule.

*Similarly, if you wish to register for both CO201 and FT201, you will need to register for CO201 and three other courses at your normal registration time on November 22. You would then come to the Film/TV Department on November 23 to register for FT201, should there be open seats. Once you are registered for both, you would drop one of the other classes on your schedule.

Reminder: KHC students are encouraged to meet with a KHC advisor as well as an advisor in COM Undergraduate Affairs prior to Spring registration. CIMS students should speak with Prof. Roy Grundmann as well as an advisor in COM Undergraduate Affairs prior to Spring registration.

COM Undergraduate Affairs is located at room 123 in the College of Communication. Contact us at 617-353-3471 or at comugrad@bu.edu.

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Administrative Notes:

- I. Please be informed about COM happenings by reading the COM electronic newsletter and by going to <http://www.bu.edu/com/resources/current-students/undergraduate/>.
- II. In order to be granted summer credit approval for courses outside of BU please fill out a Transfer Credit Approval form **in advance** of registering for the class.
- III. Be advised that one-credit CFA, OTP and PDP courses do not count toward graduation. If you have any general questions regarding credits please check in advance with an Academic Advisor.
- IV. Please be aware that in satisfying graduation requirements you must complete a total of 128 credits distributed according to your department major requirements.

Advising Notes:

- I. Be advised that second semester sophomore year is when majors are declared.
- II. There are specific course requirements and GPA requirements for students who wish to study abroad. Please see the Study Abroad Fact Sheet on the Undergraduate Affairs website for further information.
- III. Minors are optional for COM. A consideration for declaring a minor is whether required courses will also count for COM requirements. Please refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin website (www.bu.edu/academics) regarding minor requirements or speak with an Academic Advisor.

Internships: COM freshmen are not eligible to receive academic credit for internships. Instead, students can register for the 1-credit internship, a program offered through COM Undergraduate Affairs. More information can be found at <http://www.bu.edu/com/resources/current-students/undergraduate/forms/>.

WEB-REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS AND ONLINE SERVICES:

*All COM students register for courses via WebRegistration on the StudentLink. You will need your BU email address and Kerberos password to utilize this. Full instructions on how to register on the Link are available at <http://www.bu.edu/reg/registration/academic-student-link/>. Remember that all BU students must be **compliant** to register. Compliance rules are explained at <http://www.bu.edu/reg/general-information/compliance/>.

Start-Times for Spring 2016 Registration:

***Registration for freshmen is on November 22, 2015.** Registration start times for that day are available at <http://www.bu.edu/reg/calendars/registration/>. The specific time you will register that day is based on the last digit of your BU ID#. Review the previous link to make sure you are registering at the correct time. You will not need an academic advising code to register.

*Please be aware that COM students are allowed to double major, or declare a minor, within COM. Student in one major can declare a double major or a minor within either of the other majors. However, cannot declare a minor within their own major. For more information, please contact Undergraduate Affairs at comugrad@bu.edu.

Any questions about COM requirements, freshman/sophomore requirements, COM majors, declaring minors, declaring Dual-Degree, petitions, double majoring, transfer credits, AP credits, future study abroad programs, registration, or any other academic matter should be asked through COM Undergraduate Affairs. We are located at room 123 in COM. Our hours are Monday-Friday from 9-5. You can contact us at 617-353-3471 or at comugrad@bu.edu.

To make an appointment with an Academic Advisor please call the Undergraduate Affairs Office at 353-3471. All informational sheets referred to above are available at the Undergraduate Affairs Office or online at <http://www.bu.edu/com/resources/current-students/undergraduate/registration/> or at <http://www.bu.edu/com/resources/current-students/undergraduate/forms/>.