

USE AND UNDERSTAND THE SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

The **Schedule of Classes** takes information directly from Quest and shows it in a condensed chart. It updates every 30 minutes between 8am – 8pm.

- **See previous terms and make general predictions of what may be offered in a future term**
 - E.g. exploring what ran in Fall 2018 may give you an idea (albeit not guaranteed!) of what could run in Fall 2019
- **See general information on planned course offerings (for next upcoming term)**
 - When = COURSE SELECTION PERIOD
 - It will only show format (online or on-campus), number of class sections, and general information at this time (e.g. weight, code, title)
- **See detailed information on planned course offerings (for next upcoming term)**
 - WHEN = ADD/DROP PERIODS
 - It will show instructor information, room location (or “TBA” if online), day + time (if on campus) and enrolment resulting from course selection period
 - ****This is when students can check if there is still space in reserve (e.g. spaces held just for SDS students) or within a course overall****

START PAGE

- Access the Schedule of Classes by going to <http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infocour/CIR/SA/under.html>
- Search using the desired term and course subject
 - This page gives you an example of how to determine “term”

Schedule of Classes for Undergraduate Students

Log in to Quest to see Course Selection Offerings.

What term are you looking for? (1189=Fall 2018, 1191=Winter 2019, 1195=Spring 2019, 1199=Fall 2019)

This information is updated every 30 minutes between the hours of 8:00am and 8:00pm.

Note: Fall 2019 information is preliminary/subject to change and should be used for planning purposes only.

1189 ▾

What subject are you looking for? (One must be selected)

K033
SCBUS
SCCOM
SCI
SDS
SE
SEQ
SI
SMF
SOC
SOCE

Type part or all of the course number you are looking for:

Search!

Clear Fields

Fall 2018 will show courses and enrollment for that term.

A future term will not show until closer to course selection time!

Searching “SDS” will show all courses under the “SDS” code

FULL LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS: <https://uwaterloo.ca/institutional-analysis-planning/university-data-and-statistics/glossaries/code-lookups>

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KEY INFORMATION

Subject	Catalog #	Units	Title												
SDS	331R	0.5	Social Inequality, Social Just												
	Class Comp Sec	Camp Loc	Assoc Class	Rel 1	Rel 2	Enrl Cap	Enrl Tot	Wait Cap	Wait Tot	Time	Days/Date	BLDG	Room	Instructor	
	8367 LEC 001	REN R	1			35	36	0	0	02:30-05:20Th	REN 2102			Fortier,Craig Steven	
	<i>Reserve: SDS students</i>					30	28								
	<i>Reserve: Non/Post Degree students</i>					5	2								
	<i>Held With: SWREN 331R</i>														
	9046 LEC 081	ONLN ONLINE	81			55	50	0	0	TBA				Cooper,Annelies	
	<i>Reserve: SDS students</i>					30	23								
	<i>Reserve: Non/Post Degree students</i>					5	5								
	<i>Held With: SWREN 331R</i>														

- The **TOP BAR** shows the course subject/discipline, code, weight and shortened title
- The **SUBTITLES** will indicate what the subsequent data will mean
 - CLASS = class number, which you can search directly for in Quest to enroll
 - COMP = lecture, seminar, lab, etc. AKA the “type” of class you can expect
 - SEC = section number. 001, 002, etc. tend to be on-campus, while 081 will represent an online course
 - ENRL CAP = total # spots available in the course
 - ENRL TOT = total # students in the course. Sometimes this goes beyond the cap if the instructor agrees.
 - TIME DAYS/DATE/BLDG/INSTRUCTOR = Days will show as M, T, W, Th or F (or TBA for online classes). Any instructor shown as “TBA” has not yet been confirmed or is not in UW’s system
- “HELD WITH” = if the course is cross-listed (same course, offered under different subject codes). This means it’s actually only ONE section of the course, but with some seats kept for students who select the OTHER subject code. You won’t see how many seats are saved until you deliberately search the OTHER subject code.
- “RESERVE” = seats saved for students who meet certain criteria (see below)

COURSES WITH RESERVED SEATS

- Some courses save seats for specific groups (e.g. SDS students, those above 3A term, etc.)
 - Often due to the popularity of the course, designated cross-listings (e.g. same course offered under a different department’s code) or it being required for a specific plan (e.g. major)
- Students who fall within the reserve parameters will fill reserved spaces until the cap is reached
- Other students can only fill spaces *beyond* the reserved ones – these tend to be limited!

Using our example above, you’ll see the on-campus section of SDS 331R has a **total of 35 available seats**.

- ➔ Of this total, **30 seats were held for SDS students** (whether major or minor).
- ➔ The remaining were held for students taking the course beyond the BA degree (i.e. often as a BSW pre-requisite).
- ➔ NO seats were automatically available to other students.

HOWEVER, check the ENRL TOT to see how many students enrolled that met these reserves.

- ➔ Of the 30 for SDS, only 28 people ended up taking the course.
- ➔ Of the 5 for non/post-degree folks, only 2 took the course.
- ➔ Thus there *technically* ended up being 5 spaces for other students, who would have been added manually by the registrar’s via Renison’s waitlist procedure.
- ➔ You can see the course was also over-enrolled by ONE with instructor permission.

COURSES WITHOUT RESERVED SEATS

- Other courses offer *open-enrolment*: you don't need to be a specific "type" of student to get a spot
 - In the example below, 16 students took SDS 260R in Fall 2018. It had a cap of 40 and no reserves, so there was space for other students to enroll

Subject	Catalog #	Units	Title																			
SDS	260R	0.5	Ecology, Society, and Justice																			
	Class	Comp	Sec	Camp	Loc	Assoc	Class	Rel 1	Rel 2	Enrl	Cap	Enrl	Tot	Wait	Cap	Wait	Tot	Time	Days/Date	Bldg	Room	Instructor
	8373	LEC	001	REN	R		1			40		16		0		0		11:30-02:20Th	REN	2107	Case,Robert A.	

...BUT WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?!

- **Use the Schedule of Classes to get more information on courses when you are choosing them for a future term. You will do the actual enrolling via Quest.**
 - It can tell you what's expected to be offered, how many seats a course has and reserves
 - Helpful for "course selection period", when you want to gain as much advantage as possible towards getting in popular courses!
 - It can also tell you days, times, room and instructor information
 - Helpful for the "add period", when you can make changes and make a conflict-free schedule!
- **During course selection and add periods, if the ENRL TOT is close to ENRL CAP, it's likely the course is ACTUALLY FULL.**
 - Unfortunately Quest will sometimes show a course is "open" (green circle), but doesn't always recognize reserves or waitlisted spaces
 - If a Renison course (aka ALL SDS courses +anything ending in "R"), full courses run off waitlists managed by the registrar's
 - If a non-Renison course, confirm what to do by visiting: <https://uwaterloo.ca/arts/undergraduate/student-support/course-selection/enrolment-problems-and-course-overrides>

For more information, view the Registrar's webpage on reading the Schedule of Classes:

<https://uwaterloo.ca/registrar/registering-courses/understanding-schedule-classes>