Registration Waitlisting for Undergraduate Classes

Information for Students

What is waitlisting?
Waitlisting gives students the choice to ‘get in line’ for a closed undergraduate section and be notified if a seat becomes available. If you waitlist, you will not automatically be registered. If notified of an available seat you must take action and register. If you don’t register by the ‘take action’ deadline, indicated in the notification email, you will be dropped from the waitlist.

How does waitlisting benefit me?
• If a class that you need or want is closed, you will be able to get on a waitlist through Self Service Banner (SSB) rather than seeking a green card, special permission, or sending emails to the instructors or department managers.

• You will be automatically notified via email if a seat becomes available in a class that you have waitlisted. You will not need to keep checking the class schedule to see if someone dropped.

What do I need to know?
• Waitlisting is not registration nor is it a guarantee for future registration. You should use priority registration to get courses you need and want. And attempt to register for open sections rather than waitlisting for closed sections, using waitlisting only to revise or optimize your schedule. Full-time students should be reminded to register for a full course load as registration waitlisting is neither a “credit-bearing registration” nor a guarantee for future registration. If a seat becomes available via waitlisting you can revise your schedule accordingly.

• You need to meet the same requirements to waitlist for a section as you would to register for that section. You will not be able to waitlist for a class if you have not met the pre-requisites or co-requisites (or if you do not have them in progress). You will not be able to waitlist if you do not meet the registration requirements or special authorization permissions; please check with your advisor if you are presented with a registration error.

• You can waitlist for a section after having registered for the maximum allowable credits for a semester. If notified of an available seat you will have to drop a registered section before attempting to register for the waitlisted section if your credit total is above the allowable limit.

• You cannot waitlist for a section of a course when you are already registered or waitlisted for another section of that course (i.e. duplicate course).
• You cannot waitlist for a section which is in time conflict with another section for which you have registered or waitlisted.

• You cannot waitlist for a second section of a course for which you have already taken twice. You may contact your advisor to discuss if an override, to take the classes for a third time, is appropriate. This override would be needed to waitlist for the section.

• Your placement on the waitlist and the notification of available seats will be on a first-come, first-served basis except when, based on special circumstances, schools/colleges choose to manipulate a student’s place on the list.

• Once notified of an available seat you will have a deadline, typically 72 hours (and 24 hours during the last week of waitlisting), for which you need to take action and register or drop yourself from the waitlist. If you don’t take action by this ‘take action’ deadline you will be dropped from the waitlist. This deadline will be indicated in the notification email sent to your TU email account. A sample notification email is below. Check your email often!

• If you are no longer interested in registering for a section for which you have waitlisted drop yourself from the waitlist right away. This will free up the available seat and the next student on the waitlist will be notified. You can drop yourself from a waitlist anytime and are encouraged to do so if no longer interested in the class.

• If you can’t self-register or need you further assistance once notified of an available seat, contact your advising center right away. Remember, if you do not register by the deadline, you will be dropped from the waitlist and lose your place ‘in line’.

• During the waitlisting period, no special permissions or green cards for closed classes! Instead you are able to ‘get in line’ for available seats in a class and be notified when a seat becomes available.

• Waitlisting will end the weekday prior to the start of classes. After waitlisting has ended it will be ‘business as usual,’ including the use of capacity overrides, during the first two weeks of classes. Temple Japan will have a slightly different waitlist phase out schedule. These schedules will be made available closer to the start of a semester.
How does waitlisting work?
1. Viewing available seats/waitlisted seats on the SSB ‘Look Up Classes’ page:
   a) WAITLIST ACTUAL (WL ACT) indicates the number of student currently on the waitlist and WAITLIST REMAINING (WL REM) indicates the number of seats remaining on the waitlist.

   If a section is closed, and there are seats remaining on the waitlist (WL REM > 0), you can attempt to join the waitlist.

   b) If a section is open (REM > 0) and there are students on the waitlist (WL ACT > 0) you can attempt to register by selecting the check box under the ‘Select’ column and click ‘Register’ and the bottom of the page.

   You will be prompted with the option to join the waitlist if the number of available seats (REM ≤) is less than or equal to the number of students on the waitlist (WL ACT) and the waitlist is not full. The available seats are first offered to students on the waitlist.

   If the number of available seats is greater than the number of students on the waitlist you will be able to directly register for the section.
2. Making a selection from the SSB ‘Look Up Classes’ page:

   a) If the section is closed and you want to join the waitlist, find the CRN of the class you wish to waitlist for - remember it or write it down.

   b) And then select ‘Register’

   c) Enter the CRN in the Worksheet on the ‘Add or Drop Classes’ page and then click ‘Submit Changes’.

   d) If there are no registration restrictions presented, select ‘Waitlisted’ from the ‘Action’ dropdown box and click ‘Submit Changes’.

   e) You are now successfully waitlisted and ‘in line’ for an available seat this class!
3. **Check your email regularly!** for an email with the subject ‘Waitlist Notification for…’. See a sample notification email below.

When you are notified of an available seat, **take action** as soon as possible.

Go to the SSB ‘Add or Drop Classes’ page, find the waitlisted section and in the ‘Action’ drop-down box, select ‘Registered Web’ (or ‘Drop Web’ if you are no longer interested in the class.) and click ‘Submit Changes’. If you can’t self-register or need additional assistance, contact your academic advising unit **right away**.

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### 5 Waitlisting Tips:

1. Register during priority registration when the selection of classes is the best!
2. If you decide that you are no longer interested in a section for which you waitlisted, DROP yourself from the waitlist so that the next student will move up in line.
3. Make sure you have a back-up plan in case a seat does not open in the section you chose. There is no guarantee that a seat will become available in the section.
4. If you chose to waitlist, check your email often. If you are notified that a seat is available, take action quickly. You are responsible for registering and your advisor will not get an email. You will **not** be automatically registered.
5. If you are presented with a registration error that you cannot resolve, check with your advising office.

**Questions? What More Information?**

- See the Waitlisting FAQs for students at [www.temple.edu/registrar](http://www.temple.edu/registrar)

- Contact your Academic Advisor
Sample Notification Email

From: University Registrar, Waitlist Notification [mailto:waitlist@temple.edu]
Sent: Friday, March 01, 2013 9:27 AM
To: Sample A. Student
Subject: Waitlist Notification for 19521

Hello Sample A. Student (912345678)

A seat has become available in the following section: 2012 Fall CRN 19521, ADV 1004 700 Intro to Marketing.

As the next student on the waitlist, you have until 01-MAR-2013 10:26 AM EST to register for this section. After 01-MAR-2013 10:26 AM EST, if you are not registered, you will be dropped from the waitlist and the seat will be offered to the next student. If you are no longer interested in registering for this section, please drop yourself from the waitlist immediately so another student on the waitlist can be notified of the available seat.

This is a notification email only. It is your responsibility to register for the class or drop yourself from the waitlist. To do this, in TUportal, select the Student Tab and then select Add or Drop Classes. Locate this section and choose either Register or Drop from the Action drop-down box. If you are restricted from self-registration, contact your Advising office as soon as possible.

Please be advised that all registration restrictions, prerequisites and corequisites, time conflicts, and maximum credit limits associated with the course will be checked as part of the registration process. If you have any problems registering for this section, contact your Advising office.

Please do not reply to this email as it is a system-generated announcement. Any questions about the waitlist process should be directed to your Advising office.

Office of the University Registrar
http://www.temple.edu/registrar/students/registration/info.asp

This email was sent at 01-MAR-2013 09:26 AM EST.