Pre-registration Guide

How to sign up for classes for the Fall 2026 semester

Notes:

This guide is for students who are enrolled at Covenant in the Spring 2026 semester. Online pre-registration for continuing students begins March 25 for seniors who are on track to graduate in December 2026. Other groups register on the days following.

Step 1: Prepare A Plan

- **Think about which classes you should sign up for.**
  - [Click here](#) to view a list of classes.
  - Create a list of classes that you need/want to take.
  - Tools to help you know which classes to take:
    - Your Undergraduate Catalog
    - Your major's requirements (click [here](#), then click on your major)
    - Your Degree Evaluation shows how your courses apply towards the degree requirements. To view your degree evaluation, click [here](#) and then click Degree Evaluation.
    - [Four-Year Sample Plans](#)
    - The [Academic Advising](#) webpage
  - Think about the following:
    - *Do I plan to pursue the same major/minor/concentration?*
    - *Should I consider doing Priority Pre-registration?*
    - *Should I consider May Term?*

- **Check your Registration Status.**
  - Login to [Banner](#)
  - On the Banner Links page, click "Student"
  - Click "Registration Site"
  - Click "Prepare for Registration"
  - Select the Fall 2026 term
    - Your registration time window displays.
    - Resolve any holds as quickly as you can. Don't wait until the last minute to address your holds!

Registration Status

Term: Fall 2026

✅ Your Student Status permits registration.

✅ Your academic status permits registration.

❗ You have holds which prevent registration.

Deposit for Fall - $300 due
From Date: 02/01/2026
To Date: 12/31/2099
Processes Affected: Registration

- **Schedule a meeting with your faculty advisor**

  Who is my advisor?
  [Click here](#) to find out.

Step 2: Meet with your faculty advisor

- **Things to talk about**:
  - Which classes should I take?
  - Your major, minor, concentration, or certificate. Any changes to make?
  - Am I on track to graduate on time?
  - May Term or summer classes
  - Any other academic questions you have

- **Get your Alternate PIN**
  - You need the PIN to register online
  - Your advisor provides the Alternate PIN code. You must meet with your faculty advisor to get the PIN.
  - The PIN is 6 digits. For example, *123456*.
  - You will enter the PIN on Banner when your registration time comes.

- **Consider Priority Pre-registration**
  - Need a specific section because other sections conflict with sports, health needs, other classes or something else? You may request priority for a specific section of multiple-section classes to reduce conflicts.
  - Multiple-section classes only.
  - Form available from faculty and coaches
  - Examples:

example 1	example 2	example 3
Joshua will take ACC 201 and BIB 210. He will request priority for ACC 201 section **2** because it fits with BIB 210. ACC 201 section 1: MWF 2:00 X ACC 201 section 2: MWF 3:00 ✓ BIB 210 section 1: MWF 2:00	Deborah needs to take BIO 111. She also has volleyball practice and games during the afternoons. She requests section 1 to minimize conflicts with the labs. BIO 111-1 labs: Tuesday mornings ✓ BIO 111-2 labs: Tuesday afternoons X	Emily needs to take Doctrine 1. Friends tell Emily that Dr. Calvin is a fun and easy professor. All Doctrine sections fit Emily's class schedule. Emily requests priority for Dr. Calvin's section of Doctrine 1.
Approved. Requests that solve class conflicts are often granted.	Typically approved if seats are available. We try to allow requests that solve a conflict between a required class and an extracurricular activity or health concern.	Typically denied. Requests are not approved when the only reason is preference for a particular professor.

Step 3: Pre-register on Banner on your pre-registration day

- Login to [Banner](#)
- Click Student
- Click Registration Site
- Click Register for Classes
- Select Fall 2026
- Enter your Alternate PIN
- Click Continue

Search for the classes that you want to take.

Add the classes.
Your class schedule should include 12 or more credit hours.

Click the [Submit] **button to save the classes.**

If you do not click the [Submit] **button, then the classes won't save.**

🚧   **Error message appears?** 🚧

Sometimes classes don't add to students' schedules successfully. You may need to troubleshoot these issues:

- **Closed – waitlisted:** The class is already full. You can choose to add your name to the class's waiting list. See next page for details.

- **Prerequisite and Test Score Error:** The class requires a prerequisite or test score that you do not have.

- **Time conflict:** Two of your classes meet at the same time.

- **Restricted:** The class may be limited to certain class levels (e.g. Seniors only) or certain majors.

If you are blocked from registering for a class and you believe this is an error, then send an email to the class's instructor, your advisor, and the Office of Records (records@covenant.edu).

Also consider…

Closed Classes and Waitlists:

- If you try to register for a class and it is closed, then you can add your name to the waitlist. To do this, you must select "Waitlisted" under the ACTION field on the right of the screen, and then click Submit. If the ACTION field states "None" that means no action has been taken and your name is not on the waitlist.
- The Office of Records staff monitors waiting lists. If a seat opens for you, you will receive an email notification.
- If you are waitlisted for a class, it is wise to pre-register for a different class as a backup plan. There is no guarantee that a seat will open for you in the full class.

Changing a class's credits hours or grade mode

Email the Office of Records at records@covenant.edu to change the grading mode of a class to Pass/Fail or to change the number of credits for variable-credit classes.

Pass/fail grading is available to seniors and juniors who have a gpa of 2.70 or above in their Covenant classes.

Pass/fail is for electives only; not for core classes or classes in your major/minor/concentration, with a few exceptions.

Rising Seniors (current juniors):

You will receive a Graduation Application sheet in your campus mailbox. This must be completed, reviewed by your faculty advisor, and turned in to the Office of Records by March 23.

Fulfilling Core Curriculum requirements during the Core transition.

1. **COR 100 The Christian Mind** is becoming **COR 150 Cornerstone**.
   If you will successfully complete COR 100 The Christian Mind by the end of this semester, then don't register for COR 150 Cornerstone.

2. **Global Awareness**, **COR 340 Christ & Culture**, and **COR 350 Keystone**.
   a. Rising seniors should take an approved Global Awareness course and COR 340.
   b. Rising juniors should take an approved Global Awareness course and COR 340.
   c. Rising sophomores and freshmen (anyone graduating in May 2029 or after) should wait to take COR 350 Keystone in Fall 2028 or after.

3. **COR 154 Embracing Human Flourishing / HWC 154 Fitness for Life:**
   This requirement has been waived for current students who will not complete it by the end of the Spring 2026 semester. Students who will not complete COR 154 or HWC 154 should update their graduation plans to replace the course with two hours of elective credit.

4. **Humanities**, **Natural Science Lab**, and **Social Science** requirements:
   Students must take an approved course from *outside* of his/her major's department.

5. **Fine Arts**, **Global Awareness**, and **Cultural Inquiry** requirements:
   Students must take an approved course. It can be from within or without his/her major's department. Students majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies can fulfill

6. **Cultural Heritage of the West I and II.** There are four ways for current students to fulfill the 6-credit "CHOW" requirements:
   a. Complete COR 225 and COR 226*****
   b. Complete COR 225 and COR 250
   c. Complete COR 226 and COR 250
   d. Complete COR 250 and a 3-credit elective

   > *****This option must be completed by the end of May Term 2026 since that is the final time that COR 225 and COR 226 will be offered.

7. **Cultural Inquiry and Diversity.** The core Diversity requirement has been replaced by the Cultural Inquiry requirement. If your requirements mention a Diversity course, then you should complete a course from the Cultural Inquiry list to fulfill the requirement.

Quick Reference Sheets
Core social science, fine arts, cultural inquiry, humanities, natural science, and global awareness courses in the Fall 2026 semester

Days: M=Monday T=Tuesday W=Wednesday R=Thursday F=Friday

Social Science

	Days	Begins	Ends	CRN
ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics	MWF	11:45am	12:50pm	6159
ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics	MWF	3:00pm	4:05pm	6160
POL 105 Political Research Methods	MWF	1:00pm	1:50pm	6038
POL 200 Comparative Politics	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6039
POL 202 American Government	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6040
PSY 120 Introductory Psychology	MWF	8:00am	8:50am	6285
PSY 333 Cross-Cultural Psychology	TR	2:30pm	3:45pm	6288
SOC 141 Principles of Sociology	MWF	8:00am	8:50am	6124
SOC 229 Cultural Anthropology	TR	9:30am	10:45am	6125
SOC 244 Social Psychology	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6127
SOC 246 Crime and Delinquency*	TR	8:00am	9:15am	6129

Fine Arts

	Days	Begins	Ends	CRN
ART 110 Drawing Principles	MWF	2:00pm	3:50pm	6249
ART 110 Drawing Principles	TR	8:00am	10:45am	6250
ART 270 Introduction to Art History	MWF	10:00am	10:50am	6254
COR 160 Creative Arts Foundations	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6167
COR 160 Creative Arts Foundations	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6168
COR 160 Creative Arts Foundations	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6265
COR 160 Creative Arts Foundations	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6266
COR 160 Creative Arts Foundations	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6267
COR 160 Creative Arts Foundations	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6268
MUS 152 The Study of Music as a Discipline*	TR	9:30am	10:45am	6175
THT 202 Introduction to Theatre	TR	1:00pm	2:15pm	6230
THT 235 Acting I	M	1:00pm	3:30pm	6228
	WF	1:00pm	1:50pm	
THT 302 Performing Arts & Christian Thought*	TR	4:00pm	5:15pm	6229

Cultural Inquiry

	Days	Begins	Ends	CRN
BIB 365 Global Theology*	TR	2:30pm	3:45pm	6122
ECO 410 Econ Development in the Majority World*	TR	8:00am	9:15am	6165
EDU 234 Teaching in a Pluralistic Society*	TR	9:30am	10:45am	6057
HIS 353 Modern Civil Rights Movement	MWF	1:00pm	1:50pm	6301
MIN 352 World Religions*	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6132
PDV 300 Living/Working in Multicultural Context	TR	1:00pm	2:15pm	6270
PSY 333 Cross-Cultural Psychology	TR	2:30pm	3:45pm	6288

*Courses marked with an asterisk * have prerequisites.

View course prerequisites here:
https://catalog.covenant.edu/content.php?catoid=29&navoid=668

Humanities

	Days	Begins	Ends	CRN
ASL 201 Intermediate American Sign Language I*	TR	7:30pm	8:45pm	6211
BIB 302 History & Expansion of Christianity I*	W	7:00pm	9:50pm	6120
ENG 114 Introduction to Literature through Writing	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6237
ENG 201 Introduction to Literary Studies*	TR	1:00pm	2:15pm	6238
ENG 203 American Literature: Beginnings-1865	TR	8:00am	9:15am	6239
FRE 201 Intermediate French I*	MWF	1:00pm	1:50pm	6199
HIS 111 History of the United States I	MWF	8:00am	8:50am	6025
HIS 150 Introduction to History	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6026
HIS 198 Reading Seminar in US History I*	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6027
HIS 213 Formation of Europe to 1550	MWF	1:00pm	1:50pm	6028
HIS 312 History & Expansion of Christianity I*	W	7:00pm	9:50pm	6226
HIS 353 Modern Civil Rights Movement	MWF	1:00pm	1:50pm	6301
PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy	MWF	8:00am	8:50am	6069
PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy	W	6:00pm	8:45pm	6298
PHI 102 Introduction to Logic & Critical Thinking	MWF	10:00am	10:50am	6070
POL 205 History of Political Theory I	MWF	10:00am	10:50am	6041
SPA 201 Intermediate Spanish through Culture	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6209

Natural Science Lab

		Days	Begins	Ends	CRN
CHE 103 Concepts of Chemistry	Class:	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6226
	Lab:	T	2:30pm	5:15pm	
NSC 107 Concepts in Human Heredity	Class:	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6223
	Lab:	R	1:00pm	3:45pm	
NSC 114 Biodiversity and Stewardship	Class:	MWF	10:00am	10:50am	6334
	Lab:	T	1:00pm	3:45pm	

Global Awareness

	Days	Begins	Ends	CRN
BIB 365 Global Theology*	TR	2:30pm	3:45pm	6122
COR 325 Global Trends in the 21st Century*	MWF	11:45am	12:35pm	6046
ECO 410 Economic Development in Majority World*	TR	8:00am	9:15am	6165
HSC 330 Global Health	MWF	2:00pm	2:50pm	6307
MIN 352 World Religions*	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6132
PDV 210 Theory of Poverty and Human Flourishing	TR	9:30am	10:45am	6282
POL 200 Comparative Politics	MWF	9:00am	9:50am	6039

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The Social Science, Natural Science Lab, and Humanities distributions must be fulfilled with a course from a department *other than* your major's department.

The Diversity, Fine Arts, Global Awareness requirements can be fulfilled with a listed course from any department (doesn't have to be a department outside of your major).

A course cannot double-count for two of the above six requirements. For example, a student can use PSY 333 Cross-Cultural Psychology to count towards either the Social Science or Cultural Inquiry requirements, but not both.

View course prerequisites here: [Course Descriptions](#)