

REGISTERING FOR CLASSES BASICS

A bachelor's degree from BYU consists of:

- General education and religion classes that everyone needs to take
- Major classes (specific emphasis of study like economics or physics)
- Elective classes (any other classes you take for personal enrichment)

Ideally, these should be integrated throughout your time at BYU to get at least 120 credit hours and a bachelor's degree. An academic advisor can help you make a plan for registration. Find their contact info and register for classes at mymap.byu.edu.



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A course title is short for the class, like "WRTG" for "Writing." Take WRTG 150 in the first semester if available.

We recommend registering in at least one student development class in the first semester.

Popular Student Development Classes:

- STDEV 109: Effective Study and Learning
- STDEV 117: Career Exploration
- STDEV 140: Life Planning and Decision Making
- STDEV 141: Individual Development
- UNIV 101: First-Year Seminar

Suggestions for the first semester: Take one religion class, another general education class and one major required class. (Many majors will have an intro class that may help you explore that major.)

See sample schedule below:

CLASS NAME	CREDIT HOURS
WRTG 150	3
STDEV class	2
Religion class	2
GE class	3
Major class	3
TOTAL	13

The course number indicates its academic level.
100-299 = lower division
300-499 = upper division

Generally, the higher the course number, the more difficult the class. Register for lower division classes as much as possible your first semester.

1 credit hour = about 3 hours of work per week (in class + homework)

13 credit hours = minimum 39 hours of work per week (in class + homework)

We recommend taking close to 12 credit hours your first semester so you can adjust to BYU and participate in other activities. (Some scholarships do require more credit hours.)

Be mindful of difficult class combinations. If writing papers, science, or math requires you more time, don't take two classes that may emphasize that time-heavy skill in the first semester.

