

The Course Match schedule for Spring 2021 has been released and the system is open. Please log in to [Course Match](#) to begin placing utility on your desired classes. See below for important dates and information relating to the Spring 2021 course selection process.

While the system does not close until January 7, 2021 at 12PM ET, we strongly advise that you not wait until the last day to enter utilities. **Do not hesitate to schedule an [appointment](#) with your academic advisor if you have any questions.**

Please read the information below in its entirety to help you prepare for the upcoming registration period.

### **Limited Hybrid Courses**

After logging in to [Course Match](#), you will be able to see the classes currently scheduled as part of our limited hybrid planning for Spring. Each class in Course Match will show the supply of *in-person*, *streaming*, and *virtual* seats. ***In-person*** means that students, the instructor, and possibly a TA are present in the classroom. ***Streaming*** means that students are present in the classroom with the instructor joining remotely.

If you register for a course with in-person seats, and there is more demand than supply for those seats in January, a decision will have to be made as to which students can utilize the seat(s) on their cohort days. To facilitate the seat assignment process, a seat management app will roll out in January 2021. The seat management app will allow you to indicate your preferences for in-person and streaming seats. A lottery will then determine the seat allocation and you will learn about your cohort day schedule the evening prior.

On average, each student may claim one in-person seat and between one and two streaming seats on their respective cohort days:

Students in Cohort A – F will have their “cohort days” on campus on Monday and Tuesday.

Students in Cohort G – L will have their “cohort days” on campus on Wednesday and Thursday.

**We recommend that you NOT skew your preferences towards courses with in-person opportunities when placing utilities.** Even though you might have a strong preference for in-person learning now, the start of the semester is still two months away and the situation can evolve in either direction. There is the possibility that courses with in-person seats may ultimately need to revert to an all-virtual format. As always, **the best approach to course selection is to reveal your true preferences as they relate to the subject matter of the course.**

### **Course Match Refresher Session**

Is the Preterm Course Match presentation already feeling like a distant memory to you? The Academic Affairs team is hosting a "refresher" session that will revisit Course Match tips and best practices.

**Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 12PM – 1PM**

For more information, visit Wharton HQ: <https://whartonmbawelcome.workplace.com/events/1523102831413433>

### **Spring 2021 Course Match Schedule**

**Monday, November 23, 2020 – Course Match Opens**

Students may begin to report and modify their preferences for Spring 2021 courses at 12:00PM (noon) ET.

**Thursday, January 7, 2021 – Course Match Closes**

Last day for students to report and modify preferences. Deadline is 12:00PM (noon) ET.

**Wednesday, January 13, 2021 – Schedules Released**

Students will receive an e-mail once schedules have been released. The drop/add “buffer period” begins at this time.

### **Friday, January 15, 2021 – Drop/Add “Buffer Period” Ends**

System will close at 12:00PM (noon) ET to process drop/add “buffer period” requests. Results will be released later that day.

### **Wednesday, January 20, 2021 – First Day of Quarter 3 and Full Semester Courses**

**The full Spring 2021 academic calendar can be found on [MBA Inside](#).**

### **Spring 2021 Core Exam Schedule**

The Spring 2021 Quarter 3 core exam schedule will be available on [MBA Inside](#) in a few days. Please check back soon. The Quarter 4/full semester core exam schedule will be posted on our [site](#) as soon as it is confirmed by the Office of the University Registrar. You will receive a notification once the schedule is published.

### **Syllabi@Wharton**

As you plan for your next semester, please refer to [Syllabi@Wharton](#) for the most recent course syllabi.

### **Holds**

Students who are on hold (Financial, Student Health Services, etc.) will not be able to place utility on classes in Course Match until the hold has been resolved. Once holds have been resolved, access to Course Match will be reinstated.

### **Communication Requirement (WHCP 612/615/624)**

All first-year students are required to take a 0.25 CU Communication course during the spring semester. Students may choose between five courses to satisfy this requirement:

- ❖ WHCP 612: Advanced Persuasion: Impromptu Speaking and Elements of Story for Business
- ❖ WHCP 612: Advanced Persuasion: Crisis Communication
- ❖ WHCP 612: Advanced Persuasion: Fundamentals for Prospective Entrepreneurs
- ❖ WHCP 615: Communication Challenges for Entrepreneurs: “Pitching your Business”
- ❖ WHCP 624: Persuasive Writing for Business Leaders

Click [here](#) for a full description of each course.

In order to assign a preference for **WHCP 615** in Spring 2021 Course Match, students must receive pre-clearance from the Communication Program. The WHCP 615 curriculum is designed for students who are actively working on a startup idea while at Wharton (early-stage is acceptable; businesses need not to have launched). To enroll in this course, students must agree to their understanding of the prerequisites and provide a brief summary of their business idea (approx. 50 words). Click [here](#) and follow the instructions to request pre-clearance for WHCP 615. **The deadline to request pre-clearance is Monday, December 14, 2020 at 11:59PM ET.** You will be notified no later than December 28 of your status.

**Enrollments in ALL SECTIONS of Q3 and Q4 WHCP 612, WHCP 615, and WHCP 624 will be made final on Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 11:59PM ET.**

**First-year students will NOT be able to drop or change their sections of WHCP 612 or WHCP 615 after January 28, 2021 (this deadline applies regardless if you are enrolled in a Q3 or Q4 section).** First-year students who do not have a section of WHCP 612 or WHCP 615 on January 28 will be assigned to an open section of WHCP 612.

### **REAL 821: Real Estate Development - Prerequisite Information**

Enrollment in REAL 821: Real Estate Development has the following pre-requisite:

#### **REAL 721/FNCE 721: Real Estate Investment: Analysis and Financing**

This prerequisite will be strictly enforced; only students who have completed REAL 721/FNCE 721 will be permitted to place utility on REAL 821.

**\*Students who intend to take the prerequisite course (REAL 721) concurrently may contact their academic advisor to have REAL 821 unlocked in Course Match. The deadline to do so is Monday, January 4, 2021.** Registration will be verified during the Spring 2021 add/drop deadline of January 28, 2021; those not meeting the prerequisite will be dropped from REAL 821.

### **OIDD 515: Product Design in Spring 2021**

Due to the nature of the recitation schedule for this course, OIDD 515: Product Design, will not be part of the Course Match registration process, but rather through the University of Pennsylvania's advanced registration process.

**Penn's Advanced Registration for non-Wharton courses runs from Monday, November 30 to Monday, December 7 at 5PM.** Spring 2021 course offerings outside of Wharton can be found [here](#). To request registration in a Penn course, please email the [MBA Program Office](#) with the full course ID (ex. ARTH-500-001) and our office will place the request for you.

Any requests placed during Advanced Registration does not guarantee you a spot in the class though it may increase the likelihood of enrollment. Check [PennInTouch](#) on or after **December 21, 2020** to confirm you have been granted a seat in your desired course.

### **MKTG 613: Strategic Marketing Simulation (March 2021 Section)**

The March 2021 section of MKTG 613 is part of the Spring 2021 Course Match run. This section will meet all day on the following dates: March 19 (Friday), March 20 (Saturday), March 26 (Friday), and March 27 (Saturday). Students enrolling in this course should expect to be engaged in coursework from very early in the morning until late in the evening.

As this course follows an irregular time pattern so do the drop/add deadlines:

**Final day to Drop/Add: Monday, March 1, 2021**

Dropping the class after March 1, 2021 will warrant a "W" on your transcript and the course credit units (0.5 CU) will be counted against your 21.0 CU limit. Students who exceed the 21.0 CU limit are subject to additional tuition charges.

### **MKTG 613: Strategic Marketing Simulation (April 2021 Section)**

The April 2021 section of MKTG 613 is also part of the Spring 2021 Course Match run. This section will meet all day on the following dates: April 2 (Friday), April 3 (Saturday), April 9 (Friday), and April 10 (Saturday). Students enrolling in this course should expect to be engaged in coursework from very early in the morning until late in the evening.

As this course follows an irregular time pattern so do the drop/add deadlines:

**Final day to Drop/Add: Monday, March 15, 2021**

Dropping the class after March 15, 2021 will warrant a "W" on your transcript and the course credit units (0.5 CU) will be counted against your 21.0 CU limit. Students who exceed the 21.0 CU limit are subject to additional tuition charges.

**Section Changes/Additions**

We anticipate the possibility for changes and additions to course sections throughout the duration of the Course Match open dates. These changes will be added to Course Match and communicated to students.