

# Course Numbering System

USU maintains a semester system—three semesters or periods of classwork: fall, spring, and summer. Fall and spring semester are each of 15 weeks duration. Summer semester spans a total of 14 weeks and includes one four-week early session, two workshop weeks, one eight-week session, and two four-week sessions.

**Credit Enrollment.** The semester credit hour is the unit upon which credit is computed. Normally, the credit hour standard is based upon 150 minutes of lecture per week, for the duration of one semester, for a three-credit class. For more specific information, refer to the current *Schedule of Classes*. To obtain credit, a student must be properly registered and pay fees for the course. For further information, see *Number of Credits Awarded for Courses* on page 18.

**Course Numbering.** Each course listed in the catalog has a number, given immediately before the name of the course. For example in the English Department there appears:

**Engl 1120. Elements of Grammar.**

This means the course, Elements of Grammar, is English 1120. The numbers are useful for reference and records.

**Course Numbering Code.** A standard code employed by all institutions in the State System of Higher Education was adopted by USU in 1970. Upon conversion to semesters, four-digit course numbers *replaced* the three-digit course numbers formerly used under the quarter system. The semester numbering system is as follows:

0010-0990	Remedial courses; will not satisfy baccalaureate requirements; nontransferable; not calculated in GPA.
1000-2790	Lower division (freshman and sophomore courses)
2800-2990	Lower division independent study designation (directed reading, individual projects, etc.)
3000-4790	Upper division (junior and senior courses)
4800-4990	Upper division independent study designations (directed reading, individual projects, festival, institutes, workshops, etc.)
5000-5990	Advanced upper division (may be used for a graduate degree with approval of the student's supervisory committee)
6000-7990	Graduate courses (students without baccalaureate degrees must obtain special permission to enroll)
5900-5990	Independent study designations (directed reading, individual projects, theses, dissertations, etc.)
6900-6990	
7900-7990	
6800-6890	Graduate seminars (includes methodology and
7800-7890	research seminars)

**“H” following regular course designation indicates Honors Program courses.**

*Freshmen or sophomores may take any lower-division course.* If there is a prerequisite for a particular course, it will be so stated in the course description.

*Juniors or seniors may take any lower- or upper-division course for which they have met the course requirements.* Course requirements will be identified in the course description. Seniors

may take graduate courses only upon written consent from the instructor. The use of undergraduate coursework for a graduate degree at USU is regulated by the School of Graduate Studies. See *Split Form Policy* (page 74) and *Course-Level Numbering and Acceptability* (page 74).

*Graduate students may take any course for which they have met the course requirements*, but only graduate courses and individually approved undergraduate courses may be used for a graduate degree.

**Note:** In some cases, *additional* college or departmental requirements (which may not be included in the course description) *must be met* before a student may take a particular course. For more information, students should consult their advisor or the department offering the course.

At the end of each course description are listed the number of credits given for the course and the semester(s) it will likely be taught. The credits and the semester(s) it will be taught are indicated in abbreviated form in parentheses. For example: (3 cr) (F) indicates that the course offers three credits and will likely be taught fall semester. The designation (4 cr) (F,Sp,Su) indicates that the course offers 4 credits and will likely be taught all three semesters: fall, spring, and summer. It does not mean that the student has to take the class all three semesters, but rather that he or she has a choice of any semester. In some cases, such as (2 cr) (F,Sp), even though more than one semester is indicated, the course will not be offered each semester, but only one of these semesters, the exact one yet to be decided.

Some course listings do not indicate semester(s) offered. In some cases, these courses may be taken any semester (e.g., continuing graduate advisement, thesis, dissertation, or internship courses). In other cases, the semester(s) to be offered has not yet been determined (e.g., special topics courses, which are offered infrequently). For current information about semesters to be offered, consult the department offering the course.

*For more definite up-to-date information, please refer to the University Schedule of Classes published prior to the beginning of each semester.* All catalog listings are subject to change. The schedule will also update policies and practices of the University as changes occur. Catalog updates will also appear in the USU online catalog (accessed from <http://www.usu.edu/ats>).

Occasionally, two or more closely related courses (which usually have the same title) will be listed under one entry, such as **Math 6110, Math 6120. Differential Geometry.** The credit entry will read: (3 cr) (F) (3 cr) (Sp). That means that each of the two courses offers 3 credits.

In some classes, the amount of credit for which students register can be individually arranged. One student may take 2 credits, another student 3 credits, etc. Academic credit is identified in parentheses at the end of the course description, e.g. (1-3 cr).

Preceding some course listings in this catalog will be a single asterisk (\*), a double asterisk (\*\*), or a triple asterisk (\*\*\*). Such courses are taught during alternate years, as explained in the footnotes at the end of the departmental section. For more information, check the *Schedule of Classes* or consult the department offering the course.

## Course Prefixes

Each course listing is preceded by one of the following departmental prefixes:

Acct—Accounting  
 ADVS—Animal, Dairy and Veterinary Sciences  
 Anth—Anthropology (*Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology Department*)  
 AWER—Aquatic, Watershed, and Earth Resources  
 Art—Art  
 AS—Aerospace Studies  
 ASTE—Agricultural Systems Technology and Education  
 BA—Business Administration  
 BIE—Biological and Irrigation Engineering  
 Biol—Biology  
 BIS—Business Information Systems  
 Bmet—Biometeorology (*Plants, Soils, and Biometeorology Department*)  
 CEE—Civil and Environmental Engineering  
 Chem—Chemistry and Biochemistry  
 Chin—Chinese (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 Clas—Classics (*History Department*)  
 ComD—Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education  
 CS—Computer Science  
 ECE—Electrical and Computer Engineering  
 Econ—Economics  
 Educ—Education, College of  
 EIE—Elementary Education  
 Engl—English  
 Engr—Engineering, General  
 EnvS—Environment and Society  
 FHD—Family and Human Development  
 FL—Family Life, College of  
 FRWS—Forest, Range, and Wildlife Sciences  
 Fren—French (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 Geog—Geography (*Environment and Society Department*)  
 Geol—Geology  
 Germ—German (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 Grk—Greek (*History Department*)  
 HASS—Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, College of  
 HEnv—Human Environments  
 HEP—Health Education—Professional (*Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department*)  
 Hist—History  
 Honr—Honors Courses  
 IELI—Intensive English Language Institute  
 InsT—Instructional Technology  
 Ital—Italian (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 ITE—Industrial Technology and Education  
 Japn—Japanese (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)

JCom—Journalism and Communication  
 Kor—Korean (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 LAEP—Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning  
 Lang—Languages (General) (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 LAS—Liberal Arts and Sciences  
 Latn—Latin (*History Department*)  
 Ling—Linguistics (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 MAE—Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering  
 Math—Mathematics (*Mathematics and Statistics Department*)  
 MHR—Management and Human Resources  
 MS—Military Science  
 Musc—Music  
 Nav—Navajo (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 NFS—Nutrition and Food Sciences  
 NR—Natural Resources, College of  
 PE—Physical Education (*Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department*)  
 PEP—Physical Education—Professional (*Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department*)  
 PFP—Personal Financial Planning (*School of Accountancy*)  
 Phil—Philosophy (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 Phys—Physics  
 PlSc—Plant Science (*Plants, Soils, and Biometeorology Department*)  
 PolS—Political Science  
 Port—Portuguese (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 PRP—Parks and Recreation—Professional (*Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department*)  
 PSB—Plants, Soils, and Biometeorology  
 Psy—Psychology  
 PubH—Public Health (*Biology Department*)  
 Reh—Rehabilitation Counseling (*Special Education and Rehabilitation Department*)  
 Russ—Russian (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 ScEd—Secondary Education  
 Sci—Science, College of  
 Soc—Sociology (*Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology Department*)  
 Soil—Soil Science (*Plants, Soils, and Biometeorology Department*)  
 Span—Spanish (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 Spch—Speech (*Languages and Philosophy Department*)  
 SpEd—Special Education (*Special Education and Rehabilitation Department*)  
 Stat—Statistics (*Mathematics and Statistics Department*)  
 SW—Social Work (*Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology Department*)  
 Thea—Theatre Arts  
 USU—University Studies

## University Studies Designations

Courses approved for University Studies have one of the following designations, listed in parentheses following the course number:

BAI—Breadth American Institutions  
 BCA—Breadth Creative Arts  
 BHU—Breadth Humanities  
 BLS—Breadth Life Sciences  
 BPS—Breadth Physical Sciences  
 BSC—Breadth Sciences  
 BSS—Breadth Social Sciences  
 CI—Communications Intensive  
 CL—Communications Literacy  
 DHA—Depth Humanities and Creative Arts  
 DSC—Depth Life and Physical Sciences  
 DSS—Depth Social Sciences  
 QI—Quantitative Intensive  
 QL—Quantitative Literacy