



Teachers College
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

**Guidebook: Registering for
Courses On the TC Student Portal**

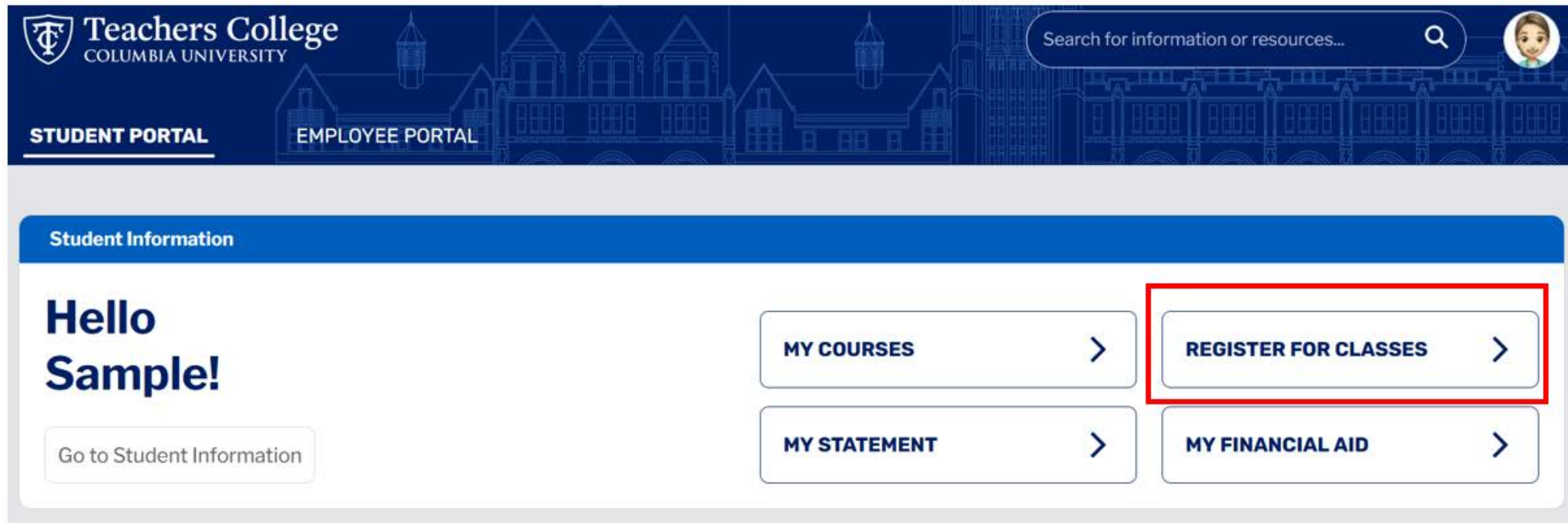
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An Overview and Table of Contents

- This guide will provide you with general steps on navigating the TC Student Portal so you can register for courses. Before registering for courses, we recommend always checking in with your program advisor to know which courses to register for every semester.
- This guide will review the following:
 - 1. Searching for courses on the TC Student Portal
 - 2. Registering for courses
 - 3. Adding/Dropping/Withdrawing Courses
 - 4. Changing Number of Credits

Navigating the TC Student Portal

- You can access the portal using this link: <https://student.tc.columbia.edu/students/>
- Under “Student Resources” you will find the Student Self-Service section of your portal where you can access any registration related information
- Take your time to read through each function for each link. A description is provided on the screenshot.



The screenshot displays the Teachers College Student Portal interface. At the top, the Teachers College logo and name are visible on the left, and a search bar and user profile icon are on the right. Below the header, there are two main navigation options: "STUDENT PORTAL" (highlighted with a white underline) and "EMPLOYEE PORTAL". The main content area is titled "Student Information" and features a large "Hello Sample!" greeting. To the right of the greeting are four buttons: "MY COURSES", "REGISTER FOR CLASSES" (highlighted with a red border), "MY STATEMENT", and "MY FINANCIAL AID". A "Go to Student Information" button is located below the greeting.

Searching for courses on the TC Student Portal

- Enter the term you want to register for
- You can search for classes multiple ways:
 - Find classes: You can enter the subject and course number and click search. You can also click on “Advanced Search” to filter out courses by time, dates offered and more.
 - Enter CRN’s: A CRN is a unique pin assigned to each course offered in a semester. You can find the CRN through the course catalog
 - **If you enter CRN. You can just click “Add to Summary” and it will get added to your cart so you can register for the course

The screenshot shows the 'Register for Classes' page on the Teachers College Student Portal. At the top, the header reads 'TEACHERS COLLEGE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY'. Below the header, a breadcrumb trail shows 'Student' > 'Registration' > 'Select a Term' > 'Register for Classes'. The main heading is 'Register for Classes'. There are three tabs: 'Find Classes' (selected), 'Enter CRNs', and 'Schedule and Options'. Under 'Find Classes', there is a section titled 'Enter Your Search Criteria' with a help icon. The current term is set to 'Autumn Term 2023'. There are three input fields: 'Subject', 'Course Number', and 'Keyword'. Below the fields are three buttons: 'Search', 'Clear', and 'Advanced Search'.

Searching for Courses Cont.

- Once you enter all information about the course you want to add, click “Search” and all courses with that criteria will populate.
- Click “Add” on the right hand to register for the course

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Register for Classes

[Find Classes](#) | [Enter CRNs](#) | [Schedule and Options](#)

Search Results — 35 Classes
Term: Autumn Term 2023 Subject: Higher Postsecondary Educ [Search Again](#)

Title	Subject Descrip	Course N	Section	Hours	CRN	Term	Instructor	Meeting Times	Campus	Status	Attribute	Linked Sections	Add
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College and university of... Lecture	Higher Pos...	4020	001	3	38308	Autu...	Katharine Conway (...)	S M T T F S 05:10 PM - 06:50 PM Typ	Teac...	4 of 20 seats r...			Add
The American college stu... Lecture	Higher Pos...	4040	001	3	37867	Autu...	Staci Ripkey (Primary)	S M T W T F S 05:10 PM - 06:50 PM Typ	Hybrid	9 of 25 seats r...	West Point course		Add
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Page 1 of 4 | 10 Per Page | Records: 35

Registering for courses

The screenshot displays a web interface for course registration. On the left, a 'Class Schedule for Autumn Term 2023' is shown as a grid with columns for days of the week (Sunday to Saturday) and rows for time slots (6am to 11am). On the right, a 'Summary' table provides details for a selected course. The 'Submit' button at the bottom right is highlighted with a red box.

Title	Details	Hours	CRN	Schedule Type	Status	Action
Purposes and policies of...	ORLH 4010, 001	3	37239	Lecture	Pending	**Web Registered**

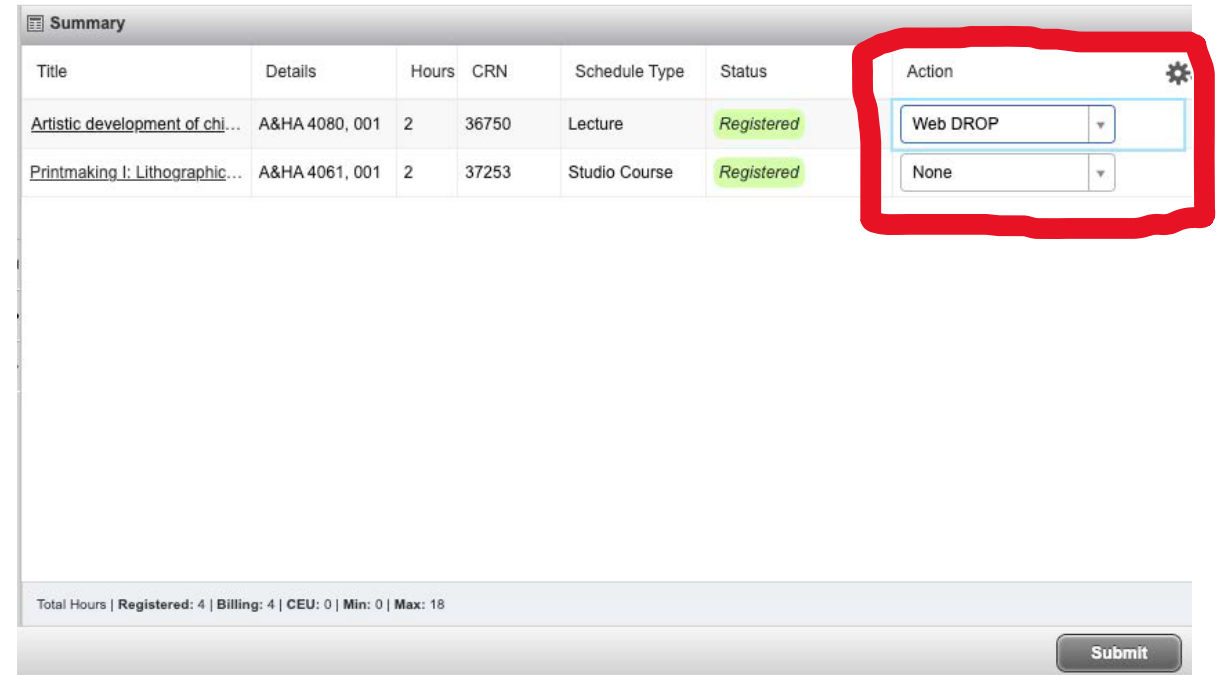
Total Hours | Registered: 0 | Billing: 0 | CEU: 0 | Min: 0 | Max: 0

Submit

- Once you click “Add”, the summary and schedule will pop up at the bottom of your screen.
- Click “Submit” to officially register

Dropping/Withdrawing Courses

- What is the difference between dropping and withdrawing from a course?
 - There is a deadline every semester to add and drop courses listed on the academic calendar. You can “drop” a course until the deadline. After the deadline, you will have to “withdraw” from a course.
 - To drop or withdraw from a course, go to your summary and under “Action” a dropdown menu will appear where you can make the change



The screenshot shows a 'Summary' page with a table of courses. The 'Action' column for each course has a dropdown menu. A red box highlights the 'Action' dropdown menu for the first course, which is currently set to 'Web DROP'. The second course is set to 'None'. A 'Submit' button is visible at the bottom right of the page.

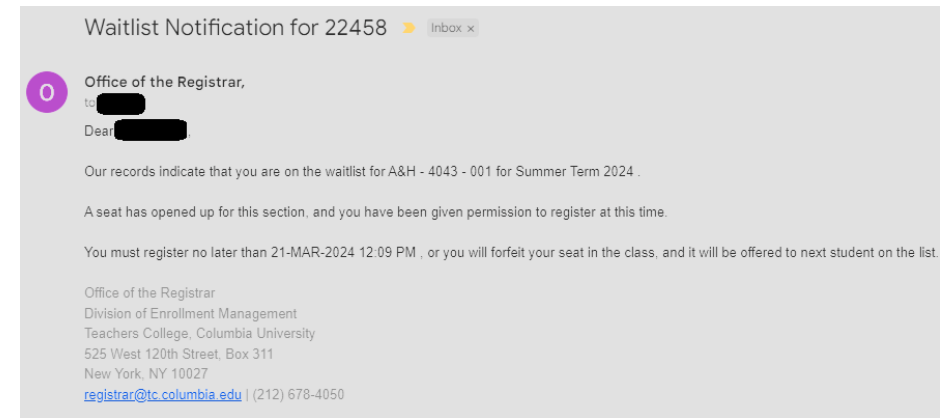
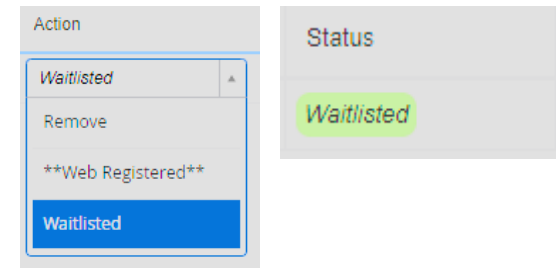
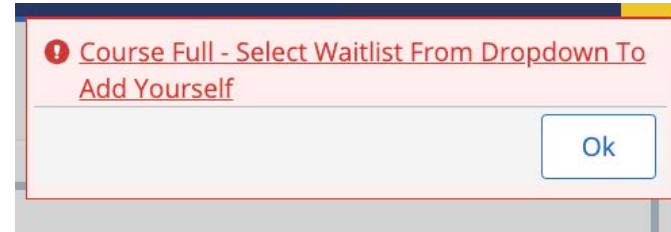
Title	Details	Hours	CRN	Schedule Type	Status	Action
Artistic development of chi...	A&HA 4080, 001	2	36750	Lecture	Registered	Web DROP
Printmaking I: Lithographic...	A&HA 4061, 001	2	37253	Studio Course	Registered	None

Total Hours | Registered: 4 | Billing: 4 | CEU: 0 | Min: 0 | Max: 18

Submit

Waitlisting Courses

- What happens when the course you are trying to register for is full and has a waitlist?
 - Some sections have a waitlist. When attempting to register for a course that is full and waitlist eligible, you will get the following prompt informing you to add yourself to the waitlist.
 - To waitlist for a course, go to your summary and under “Action” a dropdown menu will appear where you can select “Waitlisted” to update your status
 - When a seat opens for you, you will receive an email informing you the course is open. You will have a 24-hour deadline to register yourself before you forfeit the seat.



Changing Number of Credits

- For some courses, you can choose the number of credits you would like to take it for. Please consult with your advisor about this.
- By going back to the beginning of the registration screen, you can click “Schedule and Options” to update the number of credits you would like to take a class for.
- Always make sure to click “Submit” to save any changes

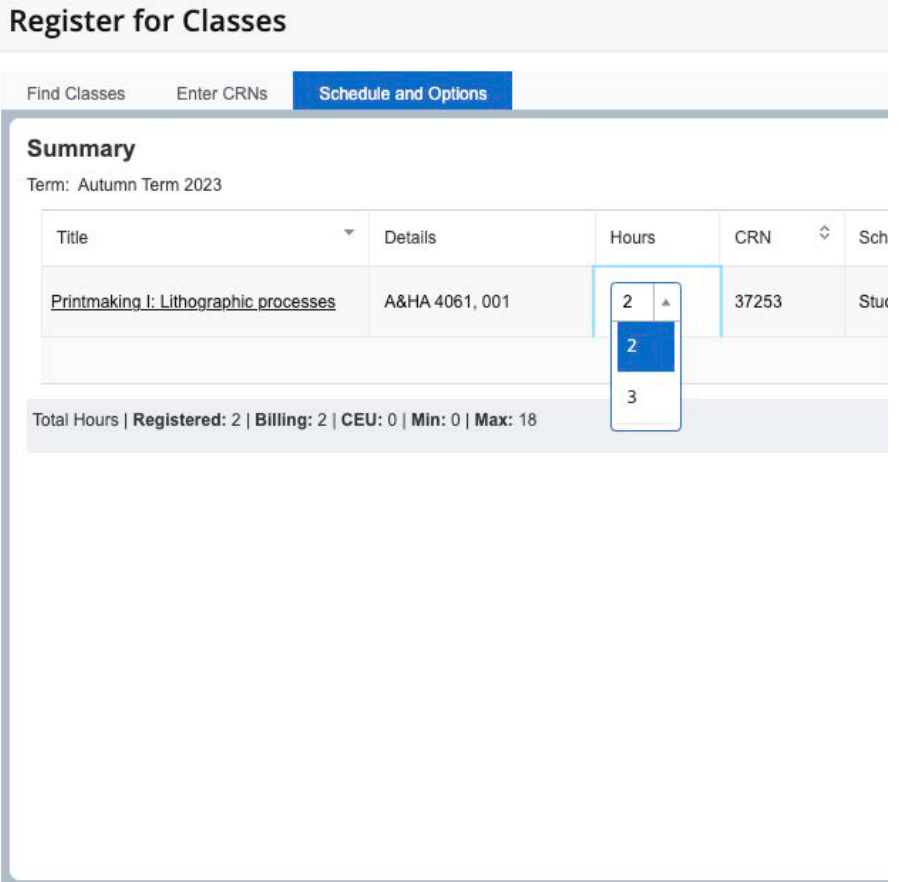
Register for Classes

Find Classes Enter CRNs **Schedule and Options**

Summary
Term: Autumn Term 2023

Title	Details	Hours	CRN	Sch
<u>Printmaking I: Lithographic processes</u>	A&HA 4061, 001	2	37253	Stur

Total Hours | Registered: 2 | Billing: 2 | CEU: 0 | Min: 0 | Max: 18

The screenshot shows a web interface for registering for classes. At the top, there are three tabs: 'Find Classes', 'Enter CRNs', and 'Schedule and Options', with the last one being active. Below the tabs is a 'Summary' section for the 'Autumn Term 2023'. It contains a table with columns for 'Title', 'Details', 'Hours', 'CRN', and 'Sch'. A single row is visible for the course 'Printmaking I: Lithographic processes' with details 'A&HA 4061, 001', '37253' CRN, and 'Stur' schedule. The 'Hours' column for this course has a dropdown menu open, showing the number '2' selected, with '3' also visible. At the bottom of the interface, there is a summary of the registration: 'Total Hours | Registered: 2 | Billing: 2 | CEU: 0 | Min: 0 | Max: 18'.

Quick Tips for Registration

- Always consult with your advisor or program for any support on making academic decisions regarding your schedule
- If you have any holds, you will be notified when you try to register for courses. For support on removing the holds please reach out to registrar@tc.Columbia.edu (this will automatically generate a case in the TC Student Portal) or call us at (212)678-4050.
- For any deadlines, please visit the academic calendar here: <https://www.tc.columbia.edu/academics/academic-calendar/2023-2024/>
- To see the progress, you have made every semester, access your degree audit through the TC Student Portal



Thank you!