

TEACHING & LEARNING PLAN: INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

INTRODUCTION TO GUIDE

We're so excited to be back! Fall 2021 and Winter 2022 will see a gradual return to a full complement of classes on campus. We are committed to a safe campus re-opening. The health and safety of our campus community continues to be our top priority. For the most up-to-date information, visit www.uregina.ca/term-updates.

THE BASICS

Fall 2021 is a transitional term. It is the possibility of vaccines that permits us to increase the presence of people on campus and to engage in a managed re-opening of the University.

Both in-person and remote teaching and learning for Fall 2021 will take place via numerous modalities that occur within a broad synchronous-asynchronous range (ie. from in-person or online at a scheduled time (zoom) to online anytime (web-based) or a mixed delivery).

Other student academic supports – tutoring, workshops, academic advising, and personal counselling, for example – will continue to be offered primarily via Zoom, but may be supplemented with some face-to-face opportunities.

FALL 2021 REMOTE TEACHING AND LEARNING

For the Fall 2021 term, many classes will still be conducted via “remote learning” methods, which will include a combination of virtual real-time class meetings via Zoom (synchronous) and web-based via UR Courses (asynchronous) delivery. The primary delivery method for each course will be posted in the visual schedule builder, and the scheduling code will also show up on your class schedule in UR Self-Service. Below is a description of what each scheduling code means:

PRIMARILY ZOOM-BASED (SYNCHRONOUS) TEACHING

RLDS [REMOTE LEARNING DELIVERY SPECIAL] SCHEDULING CODE

Synchronous courses enable virtual face-to-face approaches to teaching and learning. These classes are “live”; that is, faculty and students gather together virtually to teach and learn in Zoom classrooms. These courses are offered on specific days/times as listed in UR Self Service. Note: these dates and times have not changed since the registration period opened.

These courses may also include some web-based, asynchronous

components (delivered through UR Courses) and your instructor will post additional teaching materials and links to relevant online resources on their UR Courses page that you can access at any time. Course details will be provided in the course syllabus and/or UR Courses page. Note that non-participation in synchronous courses could be similar to skipping a face-to-face course. Such behaviour can be reflected in the individual's grades.

WEB-BASED OR UR COURSES-BASED (ASYNCHRONOUS) COURSES (UR COURSES-BASED)

RLWS [REMOTE LEARNING WEB SPECIAL] SCHEDULING CODE

UR Courses-based asynchronous courses are delivered in a way that you are able to manage them on your own schedule rather than attend class on a specific date/time. However, course instructors may also include some synchronous events as part of these courses. For example, they may want to include a class session on clarifying major course concepts or a class meeting to go over course assignment requirements. The synchronous sessions will be offered within the original scheduled class time as listed on UR Self-Service when you register(ed) for courses. The dates and times of these synchronous sessions will be listed in UR Self-Service and will be included in the course syllabus and/or the UR Courses page



WEB-DELIVERED & LIVE-STREAMED COURSES

There are two other types of remote delivery courses – WEB-delivered and LIVE-streamed. These types of courses are offered regularly and were designed to be delivered remotely. Courses scheduled for Winter 2021 as fully WEB-delivered or LIVE-streamed will remain as scheduled.

- WEB-delivered courses are UR Courses-based asynchronous courses. These courses were originally designed to be taught in a web-based format.
- Similar to RLDS courses, LIVE-streamed courses are streamed over the Internet, using Zoom or other similar platforms, and delivered in partnership with the Regional Colleges. These courses are regularly scheduled as LIVE-streamed.

Find resources to help you learn remotely at <https://www.uregina.ca/remote-learning/index.html>.

IN-PERSON & PRACTICA SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS

We are committed to ensuring the highest quality teaching and learning experience and have many supports available to help you succeed.

- The University Library will permit in-person services for Fall 2021 (including curb-side pick-up and drop-off of resource materials). The Library's plans for service may be found at <https://uregina.libguides.com/covid-19/students>.
- The Campus Store is open with a variety of in-person and online services. All information about the Campus Store is on their website: <https://www.bkstr.com/ureginastore/home>.
- Other student academic supports – tutoring, workshops, academic advising, and personal counselling, for example – will continue to be offered at a distance, primarily via Zoom but may be supplemented with some face-to-face opportunities.
- Housing Services remains committed to supporting students and our on-campus housing options remain open for the Fall 2021 semester. If you have specific questions about the possibility of living on-campus now or in the future, visit <https://www.uregina.ca/housing/FAQs.html> or email housing.services@uregina.ca.

IN-PERSON COURSES

The list of Fall 2021 courses to be held on campus can be found and Fall 2021 class schedule guide and other information about returning to campus (including access to building entrances, parking, public transit passes, residence, masks and safety guidelines, answers to frequently asked questions, and more) can be found here: <https://www.uregina.ca/term-updates/index.html>

STUDENT PRACTICA, CO-OP PLACEMENTS & FIELD-BASED LEARNING

Student practica, Co-operative Education placements and other field-based learning will take place in person both on- and off-campus. In all cases, students will be placed only with employers and other organizations that commit to following the applicable jurisdiction's COVID-19 health precautions. Individual field-based learning opportunities themselves may also be altered in light of COVID-19.

ON-CAMPUS HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Your safety and well-being are our top priority. We want you to feel confident that the University of Regina is ensuring that our campuses are safe and that we are following the proper health and safety protocols. Here are some of the specific things we are doing:

- Requiring students and instructors to carefully self-monitor their health throughout the term
- Determining what personal protective equipment or other COVID-19 health and safety measures will be required by students and instructors

- Ensuring, as much as possible, that proper physical distancing is maintained in classroom, laboratory and studio spaces
- Face masks are required in all indoor areas of campus facilities. Face masks are also required in outdoor campus areas where physical distancing is not possible. Please bring your own reusable non-medical mask whenever possible
- All handwashing and hand sanitizing stations are appropriately placed and marked
- Requiring students, faculty and staff to be fully vaccinated effective October 1, 2021. Those who are not fully vaccinated will be required to undergo regular, rapid antigen testing.

PLANNING AHEAD WINTER 2022

The University expects to resume normal or near-normal in-person/on-campus operations for the Winter 2022 term.

As we welcome the majority of students back to campus at that time, the University will require proof of vaccination for all registered students who had not previously submitted this information during the Fall term. This will enable them to make decisions about getting vaccinated or applying for an exemption prior to the start of the Winter term. Additional details will be provided in November 2021.



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