



Should I Drop this Course or Not? Making the Decision

- ◆ Acknowledge that an important decision needs to be made.
- ◆ This is an individual decision; you must do what is best for you based on your situation.
- ◆ The key to a good decision is gathering relevant knowledge around the decision that needs to be made and thoroughly assessing it
- ◆ Use the Should I Drop this Course or not Reflection Worksheet to further explore your situation.
- ◆ Make the decision and move forward.

Dropping courses

- ◆ If you decide to drop a course, do so on ROSI as soon as possible.
- ◆ You are responsible for any fees and academic penalties incurred if you do not drop courses by the appropriate deadlines, even if you have not attended the course.
- ◆ UofT Scarborough students must adhere to UofT Scarborough deadlines, regardless of which campus the course is held on.
- ◆ Be aware of Deadlines

Academic deadline

- ◆ The deadline to drop courses without academic penalty is listed under Sessional Dates in the Calendar.
- ◆ If you drop a course by this deadline, there will be no evidence on your transcript that you attempted the course.
- ◆ If you miss this deadline, you may request late withdrawal from the course - for information see below.

Financial Deadlines

- ◆ These are dates by which to drop courses, programs and cancel registrations and receive either a full or partial refund.
- ◆ Late drops will result in no fee refund.
- ◆ Visit the Student Accounts website for payment information and the refund schedule.

Declaring Late Withdrawal from a Course

- ◆ UTSC students, who miss the initial deadline to withdraw from courses without academic penalty and find they cannot complete the course, may submit a request on eService to withdraw late from the course.
- ◆ This process may be used to withdraw late from current session courses only, and not from previous sessions.
- ◆ Students are strongly encouraged to meet with an Academic Advisor for advice and read this information in its entirety before declaring intent to withdraw late from a course(s).

Restrictions to Late Withdrawal from a Course

Students may NOT use this process to request late withdrawal from a course if:

- ◆ they have already withdrawn late from the maximum permitted (3.0 credits as a UofT undergraduate student).
- ◆ they write or attempt to write the final examination in the course.
- ◆ Go to the Registrar's Office website for information on the process late withdrawal.

Should I Drop This Course or Not?

Yes

No

Decision must be made by: _____

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| Why am I considering dropping this course? | | |
| Am I having trouble understanding the material in this course? | | |
| What pro-active things have I done to seek help in improving my performance in this course? (Talked to TA or prof, gone to the Math Aid or Writing Centre, etc.) | | |
| If you have done some proactive things, have they helped? | | |
| Am I falling behind with the material being covered in this course? | | |
| Is it mathematically possible for me to pass this course given my grades up until this point and the weight associated with them? | | |
| Is this course taking up all my time, to the detriment of my other courses? | | |
| What affect will dropping a course have on my overall degree? | | |
| I want to go to Medical School; shouldn't I maintain a full course load? | | |
| I want to go to Law School; shouldn't I maintain a full course load? | | |
| Is the course I want to drop a Program Requirement or is it just an Elective? | | |
| Is the course that I want to drop a pre-requisite to a course that I need to take? | | |
| Is the course that I want to take a co-requisite to another course that I am currently enrolled in? | | |
| How will dropping this course affect my GPA? | | |
| How will dropping this course affect my Academic Status? | | |
| What are the financial implications of dropping this course? | | |
| How will dropping a course affect my OSAP? (if applicable) | | |
| Total | | |

For more information, please visit the Academic Advising & Career Centre, Room AC213

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