Get Started Online Module 3
Course Planning Process

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The third module will help you to plan your course schedule. Please make that you watch the first and second modules before watching this module.

Slide 2
Now let’s talk about course selection. For this you will need your offer of admission, UTSC calendar, course time table, and the course planner. You can click on these items on the slide to bring up the information on your computer. If you don’t have a copy of your offer of admission, click on the offer of admission on this slide to open up the join U of T website and you will find a copy of the letter.

Slide 3
Download the Get started planner by clicking on the link on the previous slide and follow these 9 easy steps to schedule your fall and winter semesters.

First, read your admission letter and write down your admission category in box number 1

Next, you need to determine if you were admitted into a program or a category of programs. Refer to the next slide for more information.

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As you can see here, there are 3 different types of admission categories. You can find your admission category in the offer of admission letter.

Direct Admission into Programs
If you see you’re your admission category in the first column, you were directly admitted into a specific program. This means that you don’t have to enroll in programs at the end of your first year. You can use the program requirement listed in the 2014 calendar year or any subsequent years.

Also, check on ROSI to see if you have been pre-loaded into courses for your program before enrolling in courses. For more information regarding your program, click on the program title.
Admission into Co-op
If you have been admitted into the co-op category, you need to enroll in eligible co-op programs once you complete 4 credits. This is usually at the end of the first year. This means that you can follow the program requirements in the calendar of the year you add the program or you can follow requirements in subsequent years.
If you click on the co-op admission categories, this will open up the Guide to program where you can look up which programs offered as co-op options. Please remember that you can either do one specialist or two majors if you are in co-op. You can’t complete one major and two minors.
If you were admitted into the Co-op Arts: Humanities, Social Sciences category, you can complete a specialist or a major program in the Departments of Historical and Cultural Studies, Anthropology, Human Geography, English, French and Linguistics, Philosophy, and Political Science. Programs in Visual and Performing Arts and in International Development Studies are not eligible for the Humanities and Social Sciences Co-op Programs.
If you were admitted into the Co-op Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics, you can complete a specialist or a major program in the department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences.
If you were admitted into the Co-op Life Sciences, you can complete a specialist or a major program in the Departments of Biology, Neuroscience or Psychology.
If you were admitted into the Co-op Physical and Environmental Sciences, you can complete a specialist or a major program in the Departments of Physical and Environmental Sciences.

Admission into Collection of Programs
If you have been admitted into a collection of programs, you need to enroll in programs after you complete 4.0 credits. This means that you can use the program requirements listed in the calendar of the year you add the program or subsequent calendar years.

Look at the list of programs in the calendar and see which programs you want to enrol in or apply to at the end of your first year. You can choose to enroll in programs related to the admission category you were admitted into or you can choose to enroll in programs in other subject areas.
If you have been admitted into to the pre-management category, you can apply to the Management program at the end of the first year. Consider choosing your electives in an alternative program areas that you want to study as well.
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If you have been directly admitted into a program write this down in box number 3.
If you have been admitted into a co-op or collection of programs, take a look at the list of programs in the calendar and write down the names of programs you want to study in box #4. Remember, you can complete 1 specialist, 2 majors, or 1 major & 2 minors if you are non co-op. If you are in co-op you need to choose 1 specialist or 2 majors.

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Next, look up the first year courses for the programs you want to complete in the calendar. You can find this by clicking on the program title in the calendar and looking for the A level courses. To apply to limited programs, you need to take prerequisite courses.

Once you know which courses are required for the program, you can use the Course Timetable to find out the time and day of the lecture. If there is a tutorial and practical available, you need to enroll in these as well. If you were admitted into a co-op program, you need to enroll in the coop work term prep course.

If you have room to add electives, choose courses in areas that you are interested. You can also choose courses that fulfill your breadth requirements and the courses that help you to take upper year courses.

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To select your courses and programs take a look at the calendar. Go to the Registrar’s website and click on the word “calendar” on the green menu bar. You can also find the Registration guide which contains information about deadlines and tips on how you can enroll in courses and programs. The course timetable will tell you when the courses are offered. On the grey menu bar to the left, you will find the list of programs, courses, and degree requirements.

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When you open the course timetable, you may find information regarding the courses under the restrictions and instruction column. When you click on the “I”, this will give you additional information about a course. “W” indicates that the course offers a waitlist feature. You can click on “C” to check course restrictions and instructions before you enroll in the course.
UTSC academic year has 3 semesters. The fall semester starts in September and ends in December. The winter semester starts in the following year in January and ends in April. The summer semester starts in May and ends in August.

The course selection for fall and winter semester happens in July of each year and you should plan to register for both semesters. You have an option of taking courses in the summer and if you plan to do so, you can register in these courses in April of each year.

Generally, students take about 5 courses per semester. Most of the courses at UTSC are half credits. For example, if you take 5 half credit courses in the fall and 5 in the winter, you would be enrolled in 5 credits worth of courses between the two semesters.

You should also keep in mind that as long as you take at least 1.5 credits per semester, you are considered a full-time student. If you are an international student or if you are applying for OSAP, you could consult with the International student centre or the financial aid regarding your course load.

You can use the back of the course planner to map out your courses. This will give you an overview of your class schedule for the week.

Here are a couple of quick reminders.

Course selection starts on July 14th. Before this date, you can log into ROSI to view the registration time for your course enrolment. If you have questions about course selection, we will be holding a course selection blitz in AC213 during July and August. The dates and times will be posted on the Get started website.

Don’t forget, you can purchase your books and pay or defer your fees in August. And finally, the student orientation and residence move-in happens at the end of August and beginning of September.

Thank you for watching the module. Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you soon.