NEUROSCIENCE (BA & BS)  
FIRST SEMESTER COURSE OPTIONS

IMPORTANT: The schedule you create now through PIER is a first draft. Advisors will help you finalize your schedule when you attend New Student Orientation this summer. Schedule changes can be made now through the first week of the fall semester. Courses fill up quickly, so begin registering for classes as soon as possible. If you wait until New Student Orientation, your course options will be limited.

If you are bringing in transfer credits (e.g. EARLY COLLEGE or DUAL ENROLLMENT credits) you must submit a FINAL OFFICIAL transcript from your community college/university in addition to your official high school transcripts to the ECU Undergraduate Admissions Office. ECU can NOT accept college credits from your high school transcripts. Please bring a second copy of your COLLEGE (not high school) transcripts to New Student Orientation for your advisor.

CHOOSE YOUR FALL COURSES: To stay on track to graduate in four years, plan to register for a 15-16 semester hour schedule every fall and spring semester. To be full-time for tuition purposes, register for at least 12 semester hours.

Step 1: Click HERE to open a step-by-step, screenshot tutorial on how to register for classes in Banner Self Service.

Step 2: Register for PRIORITY course(s) in your major. If courses are full, please move on to Step 3 and continue registering for courses. You can continue to check for open seats in your priority course(s) up until the first week of the fall semester.

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<td>Psychology</td>
<td>It is critical you register for these course(s) as soon as possible. Seats may be limited if you wait until orientation.</td>
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<td>PSYC 1000: Introductory Psychology</td>
<td>It is recommended that you take this course in your first semester because it is a prerequisite course for other required psychology courses in the neuroscience curriculum.</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>Ideally, you should be registered for a math course.</td>
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<td>Click HERE for math placement information. Students can register for the highest-level course their test scores allow but may choose to start in a lower level (MATH 1065 or 1083) course if they wish. DO NOT TAKE MATH 1050.</td>
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<td>AP CREDIT for Calculus</td>
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<td>If you scored a 3, 4, or 5 on the Calculus AB or BC Test, you will receive credit for either MATH 2171 or both MATH 2171 and MATH 2172; HOWEVER, we will not receive AP scores until mid-July. Therefore, we ask that you use the SAT or ACT criteria above to register for the appropriate math class just as a placeholder. This is important because you may need a math on your schedule in order to register for CHEM 1150/1151. See chemistry section below for more info. For a list of all AP scores and ECU credits see Placement Credit.</td>
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<td>TRANSFER CREDIT</td>
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<td>If you are bringing in transfer credit (example: from a community college) for college algebra or calculus, do not worry about adding a math to your schedule. You can discuss this with your advisor during New Student Orientation.</td>
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<td>Natural Science</td>
<td>It is strongly recommended that you take either a BIOLOGY or CHEMISTRY course with lab your first semester. Below are suggestions for neuroscience majors:</td>
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<td>BIOL 1100 &amp; 1101: Principles of Biology I with Lab</td>
<td>Registration Instructions:</td>
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<td>Certain Biology sections have been reserved for Biology/Biochemistry majors (you’ll see it in the course title) so you will not be able to take these sections. Register for a section that does not have that specification. You may take any BIOLOGY 1101 or 1201 lab.</td>
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Good math skills are required to succeed in chemistry. Review the SAT Math and ACT Math scores below to determine how you should proceed in registering for CHEM 1150 & 1151.

**SAT Math**
- **Prior to March 2016:**
  - 540 – 570 = Must register for MATH 1065 first, then add CHEM 1150 and 1151 after math is on your schedule
  - 580 or higher = Able to register for CHEM 1150 and 1151 without having a math course on your schedule

- **Beginning March 2016:**
  - 570 – 590 = Must register for MATH 1065 first, then add CHEM 1150 and 1151 after math is on your schedule
  - 600 or higher = Able to register for CHEM 1150 and 1151 without having a math course on your schedule

**ACT Math**
- 23 – 24 = Must register for MATH 1065 first, then add CHEM 1150 and 1151 after math is on your schedule
- 25 or higher = Able to register for CHEM 1150 and 1151 without having a math course on your schedule

**Registration Instructions:**
Because you must take CHEM 1150 & 1151 together, you must also register for them together in Banner. To do this, identify the CRN (5 digit blue number) of your desired CHEM 1150 lecture and CHEM 1151 lab sections. Enter both CRNs in the bottom boxes on “Add or Drop Classes” screen in Banner Self-Service and click “Submit.” Failure to follow these instructions will result in an error, and you will be unable to register for the classes. We know this is confusing, and we are happy to help you during New Student Orientation.

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It is recommended that you start your foreign language study in the first or second year. You must take four levels of the same foreign language. Foreign language options are French, German, Greek, Japanese, Latin, Russian, and Spanish.

An online placement test for Spanish is mandatory—even for those who wish to enroll in level 1001. The test can be found here. Click on the “Spanish Placement Test” to create an account and start the test.

An online placement test for French and German is optional and can be found here. Click on the "French" or "German Placement Test". Students with previous experience should take the test in order to start at a higher level. Level 1001 is for students who have never had the language.

Students who wish to take Japanese, Latin, Greek, and Russian who have no previous experience with the language can start with level 1001 (no test required). There is no online test for these languages. If you have previous experience in any of these languages, you can work with faculty on placement. Please visit this link to contact appropriate faculty.

Students who take the placement test receive bypass credit without a grade, only upon successful completion of the course into which they place, as follows:
- Upon passing 1002, students receive bypass credit for 1001.
- Upon passing 2003, students receive bypass credit for 1001, 1002.

**Note:** Do not attempt to register for a language class immediately after taking the Placement Test. If you take a Placement Test, you will have to wait for an email confirming your test score being recorded with ECU before you can register for a foreign language course. It takes approximately 3 business days to enter placement test scores into the university database.

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**Step 3:** In addition to the courses listed in Step 2, complete your schedule by registering for additional courses from the options below. Remember to register for at least 12 semester hours of courses for tuition and financial aid purposes.
NEED HELP?

- **Looking for your registration PIN?** Your registration PIN is listed under [Port 2](#) of the PIER website.
- **General Education Course Options:** Click [HERE](#)
- **Math Course Placement Information:** Click [HERE](#)
- **Registration Errors Explained:** Click [HERE](#)
- **Don’t see what you need? Contact Us:** Click [HERE](#) to submit your questions online and an Advisor will respond to your ECU student email within two business days to help!