FAQ's for Ready, Set, Go! March 2021
(as of 2/24/21)

**Registration**

**When is the first day of registration for Fall 2021?**
Please check [www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/registration](http://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/registration) for the most up to date information.

**When does class availability go up so that I can start putting classes in my shopping cart in STAR?**
Monday, March 15, 2021. Please check [www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/registration](http://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/registration) for the most up to date information.

**How do I register for classes?**
Go to STAR [www.star.hawaii.edu](http://www.star.hawaii.edu) and log-in. The recommended courses should be in your Fall semester box in your GPS Registration tab. Click on “register add/drop courses”. If you are needing help with selection of courses, please contact academic counseling at (808) 845-9162 or schedule an appointment via STAR Balance at [www.star.hawaii.edu/appointment/](http://www.star.hawaii.edu/appointment/).

**What can prevent me from registering for classes?**
An academic, health or financial hold can prevent you from registering for classes. A link that says “View Hold” will appear on your STAR GPS registration page. Click on the link to find out which department to contact to clear your hold.

**What if the course I registered for says “NOT IN PLAN?”**
Courses that say “NOT IN PLAN” are not required for your program. Therefore, if you are using financial aid or veteran benefits, it will NOT be covered or paid for.

If you think a course “NOT IN PLAN” should be required for your program, please contact your academic counselor.

**What if I get registration errors, what do they mean?**
**Prerequisite error:** You will receive this error if you do not meet course/test score requirements

**Corequisite error:** You will receive this error if you are not enrolled in another specific class at the same time
**Major Restriction error:** You will receive this error if you try to register for a course that is not in your major but restricted to a particular major.

**Time Ticket Restriction error:** You will receive this error if you try to register before your registration time.

**Instructor Approval Error:** You will receive this error if you try to register for a course that requires instructor approval. You will need to email the instructor requesting approval in order to register for this course.

*Note: You can always contact your academic counselor if you receive an error and still need further clarification.*

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**Tuition**

**What are two different ways you can pay for your tuition?**

1. Online via STAR
   a. Go to the GPS Registration tab on your STAR
   b. Click the register add/drop courses button
   c. Click the view/pay button
2. Cashiers office in Bldg. 6, 1st Floor 845-9102 (cash, check, and debit)

**When is the tuition deadline for Fall semester?** For the most updated information see the registration guide that can be viewed on [www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/registration](http://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/registration)

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**Academic Counseling Information**

**Where is the academic counseling office located and what are the hours?**

- Location: Building 5, first floor
- Go to [www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/counseling](http://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/counseling) for the most current hours

**What are ways I can contact the academic counseling office?**

1. Phone: (808) 845-9162
2. Email: honcouns@hawaii.edu
3. Scheduling an appointment via STAR Balance

**What are some reasons to see your academic counselor?**

- Program Information / Advising
- Transfer Information
• Probation “Back on Track” plans / Petition to return from suspension/dismissal
• Navigating STAR features and registration assistance (errors, discrepancies)
• Course Selection for registration
• Mapping out Course Plan from start to finish
• Placement Test Results
• Change of Major / Major Confirmation
• Graduation Check
• Course Substitutions / Waivers
• Financial Aid Forms: Satisfactory Academic Progress Certification / Appeal (academic plan), Dual Enrollment
• Veteran Certification Form

Who is my program counselor?
To see who your program counselor is, please visit https://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/counseling and scroll to the bottom of the page or click on Counseling Program Sheet under additional links.

We highly recommend seeing your program counselor at least once per semester for correct program information/advising.

*Note: If your program counselor is not available, you can see any other counselor. For more information see below.

Appointment Types

Same Day/Express Appointment

• 15 minute appointments that can be scheduled the same day (first come first serve; may not be with your program counselor)
• Reasons:
  ○ Veteran’s Benefit Certification
  ○ Financial Aid Dual Enrollment
  ○ Change of Major (if certain)
  ○ Financial Aid Certification
  ○ Registration Errors & Holds
  ○ Placement referral form

Regular Appointments

• 30 minute appointments
- **Reasons:**
  - Financial Aid Appeal/Satisfactory Academic Progress Certification
  - Transfer Advising
  - Change of Major
  - Placement (review of unofficial transcripts)
  - Review Degree requirements
  - Probation
  - Readmission following Academic Suspension/Dismissal
  - Registration

*Note: During peak periods we have Express appointments (15 minutes).

**How can I schedule an appointment with an academic counselor?**
Please go to STAR Balance to schedule an appointment. For directions on how to schedule on STAR Balance, please go to https://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/academic-counseling/scheduling-an-appointment-via-star-balance/

*Note: If you are still unable to schedule an online appointment, please contact the academic counseling office at (808) 845-9162.

**Graduation**

**How do I apply for graduation?**
You can pick up the application in the Records Office (building 6 first floor) or online. For more information please visit the graduation application website at https://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/sites/www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/files/records-graduation-application.pdf

**When is the graduation application deadline for graduation?**
- If you are graduating in the Spring, the deadline is March 15th.
- If you are graduating in the Fall, the deadline is November 15th.

**Where do I submit the graduation application?**
You can submit the graduation application online via File Drop to the Records office (recipient is honrec@hawaii.edu).

**Is there a fee for the graduation application?**
Yes, there is a $15 fee for each graduation application submitted.

**Transfer**

Where can I go to find out what it would look like if I changed my major or transferred to another college within the UH system?

“What if Journey” tab on STAR

*Note: this is only a tool to use for exploration and NOT an official change to your academic record. If you would like more information, please see an academic counselor.

Who can help me with transfer information and deadlines?

Academic Counselors can help you, please schedule an appointment via STAR Balance. For additional information on transfer, you can also visit: https://www.honolulu.hawaii.edu/transfer

**Veteran Students**

If I am a VA student and I have not been paid, what should I do?

A. Have you certified your courses with a counselor?
   a. Yes
      i. If yes, did you get an email from the school explaining that your certification has been transmitted to the VA in Oklahoma.
      ii. If yes, have you given the VA at least five days to process the certification.
      iii. If yes, have you contacted the VA to check status by calling 1-888-442-4551
   b. No - If no, you will need to fill out a VA certification with an academic counselor.