

Inter-institutional Course Registration for Predocs – Fall 2020

Overview:

Under an agreement among the GCC member institution, graduate students are able to take courses at other institutions that are necessary for completion of your degree (for you, that means for completion of your fellowship).

You may only take a total of 12 credit hours combined from all other institutions during your graduate studies. Most of those 12 credit hours are often used up on NLM required/elective coursework; you must hold your credit hours available for them. Therefore, if you intend to take a course at another institution that is not already in your curriculum, you must contact me so that you do not exceed your 12 hours before you complete your NLM courses.

Under this agreement, students from MDA-UTH / UH / UTMB pay tuition to their home institution for the number of credit hours you'll be taking elsewhere (you do not pay any tuition to the institution you will be attending). Students from all NLM institutions must pay fees (if any) to the institution they are attending.

You may use the Inter-Institutional Course Registration Form on the Rice website (below) for all institutions (they agree on it).

Those paying out of pocket for tuition/fees for courses elsewhere may submit receipts for reimbursement of tuition and any fees after the end of the second week of classes; you do not have to wait until later. Your department will reimburse you from the tuition/fees funds included in the subcontract that also pays your stipend and health insurance. If your department has any questions, please have them contact me glueck@rice.edu.

Attending courses at Rice:

Check the course schedule for the class you need: <https://courses.rice.edu/courses/!SWKSCAT.cat>.

Start at the [Rice Visiting Students page](#), and click on Inter-Institutional Graduate Students.

You need to fill out Inter-Institutional Course Registration Form. You need to get a long list of signatures (advisor etc), signed in order. You then submit the fully signed version to your own Registrar; make sure you scan/keep a copy of the fully signed form for yourself. The contact person in the Registrar's Office for each institution is listed on the form; contact them with any questions.

In Fall 2020, Marci Wilson at the Rice Registrar (responsible for this form; 713-348-8032) told me that all electronic signatures are acceptable this semester (the printed ones, you don't need to physically sign and scan). She said to check with your home registrar to make sure that's ok with them, although I can't imagine that any institution can require physical signatures right now. Many offices are not even open, and faculty are not on campus. But of course check anyway.

The Rice academic calendar for deadlines and course dates is here: <https://registrar.rice.edu/calendars>. Note that this semester, Rice will still start on Aug. 24 but will end a week early on Nov. 20, the Friday before Thanksgiving (to avoid Thanksgiving travel/COVID...). Classes are longer to make up the time. All exams this Fall will be online.

Some courses require instructor permission; you can find the name and email in the Rice directory (www.rice.edu) to contact them.

COMP 543 Data Science in Fall 2020: please contact Dr. Chris Jermaine Christopher.M.Jermaine@rice.edu. Please note in your email that you are an NLM predoc, because there are course restrictions but you guys get in. ☺ The course will be fully online, including labs. There are no course fees for this class.

Attending courses at UTH School of Biomedical Informatics:

On the [main webpage](#), click on Current Students at the top for the [academic calendar](#), and [current course offerings](#).

Please ensure that you enroll in BMI 5310W for the fully-online version. Others taking it have told me you can watch the lectures any time.

Registration at UTH goes through August 21, but please submit your forms much earlier. Classes begin on August 31.

Attending courses at the MD Anderson / UTHealth Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences:

This page has links to the academic calendar, course catalog, current course offerings, and how to order transcripts.

Courses, current courses offered, and registration information may be found [here](#). To register, you go to [myUTH](#).

Classes begin on August 31.

Attending courses at Baylor College of Medicine:

For Fall 2020: please check about whether there are any restrictions on non-BCM students on campus.

The Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences academic calendar is [here](#). Baylor has 5 shorter terms rather than 3 semesters per year. Therefore the credit hours are usually half of those at semester institutions.

The course catalogs are on the left of the same page as the academic calendars.

In Fall 2020, classes for the first term begin on August 3, second term on October 12.