

# About the UCI General Catalogue

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## Additional Catalogue Information

Because the *UCI General Catalogue* must be prepared well in advance of the year it covers, changes in some programs and courses inevitably will occur. The selection of courses to be offered each quarter is subject to change without notice, and some courses are not offered each year. The *Schedule of Classes*, available on the University Registrar's website (<http://www.reg.uci.edu/>) at shortly before registration begins each quarter, provides current information about course offerings, instructors, hours, and more. Students should consult the appropriate academic unit for even more up-to-date information. (Admission to UCI does not guarantee enrollment in any particular course.)

## Course Listings

Undergraduate courses are classified as lower-division (numbered 1–99) and upper-division (numbered 100–199). Courses numbered 200 and above are graduate or professional courses. Lower-division usually refers to freshman-sophomore courses, upper-division to junior-senior courses. However, junior and senior students may take lower-division courses, and freshmen and sophomores may normally take upper-division courses when upper-division standing is not a prerequisite and when any other prerequisites have been met. A course has no prerequisites unless indicated.

Some courses are structured as three-quarter sequences, such as 1A-1B-1C; *except as noted, each course in a sequence is prerequisite to the one following*. The letter L following a number usually designates a laboratory course. The letter H preceding a number designates an honors course.

The '4 Units' designation following the course title indicates the quarter unit credits toward graduation. Some courses give other than four units of credit; for example, two, five, or a range from one to 12.

When a course is approved for satisfaction of the UCI general education (GE) requirement, the general education category is indicated by a Roman numeral in parentheses at the end of the description. Courses approved to fulfill the upper-division writing requirement are designated with the letter W following the course number and the GE symbol (**Ib**) following the course description.

## Course Terms Definitions

**Concurrent Courses** - Concurrent courses are those that are offered at the same time and place, with the same instructor, but credit is given at two levels: graduate and undergraduate. In the Catalogue, concurrent courses can be found under the course description of the course. For example, PHYSICS 100 is concurrent with PHYSICS 229A. Under the course description for PHYSICS 100, it states the following: "Concurrent with PHYSICS 229A."

**Overlaps** – When a course includes a substantial amount of material that is also covered in a different UCI course, the courses will be considered "overlaps" of one another. When a course is identified as overlapping with another, students may not receive credit for both courses. Therefore, students who earn a passing grade in one course will not receive credit if they later take the overlapping course, and students who earn a non-passing grade in a course with an overlap should not repeat that course with the overlapping course. In the Catalogue, an overlapping course appears under the course description of the course. For example, EARTHSS 17 overlaps with PUBHLTH 90. Under the course description for EARTHSS 17, it states the following: "Overlaps with PUBHLTH 90."

**"Same as" or Cross-Listed Courses** - A cross-listed course is one course that is offered at the same time and place with the same instructor, and appears under more than one department name. In the Catalogue, a cross-listed course appears as "Same as" under the course description. For example, BIO SCI 14 is cross-listed with PHY SCI 5. Under the course description for BIO SCI 14, it states the following: "Same as PHY SCI 5."

One course can be cross-listed up to three times, which in total would be four department names for one course.

## Where to Find:

### Courses

View all of the University's course offerings, organized by subject matter, here (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/allcourses/>).

To view courses offered by a particular School, Department, or Program, select a School or Program here (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/schoolsandprograms/>). Then, click on the tab labeled “Courses” at the top of the page, under the banner image.

### **Admissions Information**

For information for prospective students, including undergraduate and graduate admissions, transfer student services, financial aid, tuition, and more, visit the Information for Prospective Students (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/informationforprospectivestudents/>) section.

### **Information on a Specific Degree, Major, or Minor**

View Undergraduate Degrees (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/undergraduatedegrees/>) and/or Graduate Degrees (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/graduatedegrees/>). Or, view a page with all degrees in one table (<http://catalogue.uci.edu/informationforprospectivestudents/undergraduatandgraduatedegrees/>).

You can also search by the degree or program name via the search bar on any Catalogue page.

### **A Previous Edition of the *General Catalogue***

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