

Before you register for the 2023 Winter Session (September 2023 to April 2024), learn more about:

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Your registration date and time

The registration period for Year 1 students runs from **Tuesday, June 20 to Thursday, June 22**. Your individual registration open date and time is ready to view on the [Student Service Centre \(SSC\)](#). We recommend that you check your registration date and time periodically before it opens to confirm that it has not changed; changes are sometimes necessary to ensure that registration access is distributed evenly for optimal performance of the system.

Your registration status will remain blocked until your registration opens. You must pay your [acceptance deposit](#) before you'll be able to register. Register for all of your courses in both Term 1 (September to December) and Term 2 (January to April) as soon as your registration opens as courses fill quickly.

Step-by-step registration

1. Register in a standard timetable (STT)

All new Year 1 students must register in an STT. Students within each STT will belong to a cohort of 25-30 students who share the same course schedule. Within these smaller groups, you'll have plenty of opportunities to form meaningful connections with other students in your cohort and collaborate on team-based coursework. Your STT will include nine of your ten first-year courses:

COMM 101	Business Fundamentals (includes lecture and tutorial)	3 credits
COMM 105	Values, Ethics, and Community (includes lecture and tutorial)	3 credits
COMM 190 ¹	Introduction to Quantitative Decision Making (includes lecture and lab)	3 credits
COMM 191 ¹	Application of Statistics in Business	3 credits
COMM 192	Management and Organizational Behaviour	3 credits
COMM 196 ²	Business Communications I	3 credits
ECON 101	Principles of Microeconomics (includes lecture and discussion)	3 credits
ECON 102	Principles of Macroeconomics (includes lecture and discussion)	3 credits
MATH 100	Differential Calculus with Applications to Commerce and Social Sciences (includes lecture and discussion)	3 credits

¹ Students starting Year 3 in 2024W or later will require a minimum grade of 67% in each of COMM 190 and COMM 191 to self-declare the Finance option. Students who do not achieve the required minimum grades can still be considered for the option by adding themselves to a waitlist.

² You must attain a minimum of 60% or a 'C' in COMM 196

You'll find the full list of available STTs on the [Student Service Centre course schedule website](#). **You cannot switch course sections or drop individual courses from your standard timetable.**

If you have received [advanced \(first-year\) credit](#) for any courses within your STT, you can submit a request to the Undergraduate Office (UGO) for assistance to drop those courses from your STT after you have registered using this form: <https://webforms.sauder.ubc.ca/request-to-drop-course-from-stt>. **Do not attempt to drop these courses yourself as you may accidentally drop your entire STT and lose your place in it.**

2. Register in a non-Commerce elective

Register in 3 credits of electives in Term 1 or Term 2 (likely the alternate term to your COMM 196 course unless you have advanced credit for any courses within your STT). It is recommended that you take a maximum of five courses per term. Choose non-Commerce electives that interest you or complement your career goals or work towards your program requirements. Keep in mind that the BCom program requires senior-level electives (courses numbered 3xx or 4xx) that you will take in Years 3 and 4 (or sooner). Some senior-level electives have prerequisites so plan your program accordingly (e.g., MATH 101 is a prerequisite for many senior-level ECON courses).

Your non-Commerce electives must include at least 3 credits in the humanities, and at least 3 credits in science or social science. These elective credits may be completed during **any year** of your program. Language courses are not eligible for the humanities requirement, but literature courses are. For a list of eligible courses, please visit mybcom.sauder.ubc.ca/elective-requirements.

Avoid taking non-Commerce electives that are not for credit in the BCom program. Confirm that the electives you have selected will count for credit in the BCom program by reviewing the [not-for-credit tables](#) on the bottom of the Electives page.

[Consult the program requirements on the myBCom website](#) by **selecting the tab with the year level and session that you entered the program** to familiarize yourself with all of your program requirements from Years 1 through 4. We've mapped them out over a four-year timeline, allocating a full course load of 30/31 credits in each year. Keep in mind that this is just a guide – you may want to join the Co-op program, take a term abroad on exchange, or participate in one of many other co-curricular opportunities – any of which could take you on a slightly different learning path. That's okay! Just be aware of course prerequisites, co-requisites and restrictions, as well as [continuation](#) and [promotion](#) requirements when planning your program. You can download a [BCom course planning worksheet](#) to track your degree requirements as you complete them. If you have any questions, please [contact the UGO](#).

Course mode of delivery and attendance

Review the *Mode of Delivery*, *Course Requires In-Person Attendance*, and *Section Comments* fields in the course schedule on the Student Service Centre and carefully read your course syllabi when you receive them at the start of term. Regardless of mode of delivery, regular attendance is expected, and standard academic policies and course withdrawal deadlines apply. In some instances, your assessments (e.g., midterm and final exams) in online courses may still require your attendance on campus. You will be expected to complete all assessments at the scheduled time and place.

Make-up Monday

Since many statutory holidays fall on Mondays, the number of Mondays available for classes in Winter Term 1 is not equal to the other weekdays. As a result, **Thursday, October 12, 2023** has been designated as “Make-up Monday”. Thursday, October 12 classes are cancelled and replaced by classes typically scheduled on a Monday, meaning you’ll be attending your Monday classes on that date.

Your course timetable will not reflect this one-day change, so please plan accordingly. You'll receive reminders about Make-up Monday at the start of Winter Term 1 and again in early October.

Advanced (first-year) credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and A-Levels

If your high school studies included Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), or British-patterned education (A-Levels), you may be eligible to receive transfer credit that you can use toward your BCom degree requirements. Review the [first-year credits you may be eligible to receive](#) from your secondary school curriculum and which credits will apply toward [specific requirements in the BCom program](#). Transfer credit will be applied toward your degree requirements automatically once it has been granted. You don't need to do anything to activate or use it.

Maximum credits for registration

You can register in a maximum of 32 credits in Year 1. It's recommended that you set up your timetable so that your courses are evenly balanced over Terms 1 and 2 (i.e., do not register in more than five courses per term).

Minimum credits to maintain student loan eligibility

Government loans, grants, and interest-free status all require students to be enrolled in at least 60% (80% for Newfoundland loans) of a full-time course load in each term. The full course load for students in Year 1 of the BCom program is 30 credits. Therefore, the minimum 60% is 18 credits (at least 9 credits per term). If you have a documented permanent disability, you may be eligible to study at a reduced course load. Consult the [course load guide at students.ubc.ca](#) to learn more.

Note that credit minima may differ for other considerations, such as eligibility to receive and retain scholarships, to live in UBC residence, or to apply for a post-graduation work permit. Carefully review any conditions relevant to your personal circumstances to ensure your continued eligibility. Learn more:

mybcom.sauder.ubc.ca/registration/#courseload.

Courses taken for Credit/D/Fail

Credit/D/Fail grading allows you to take an eligible course for a Credit, D, or Fail standing instead of a percentage grade. If you register in a course for "Credit/D/Fail", you'll still complete all coursework and earn a percentage grade, but only a standing of "Cr," "D," or "F" will be displayed on your grades summary and academic transcript. You can take a maximum of 6 credits of Credit/D/Fail graded courses per winter or summer session, to a maximum of 12 credits of Credit/D/Fail graded courses toward your total degree requirements.

You **cannot** take any of the following courses for Credit/D/Fail:

- First-year non-Commerce requirements (i.e., MATH 100 or equivalent, and ECON 101 and ECON 102 or equivalents)
- Commerce core requirements (e.g., COMM 190, COMM 191, etc.)
- Combined Major in Business and Computer Science program requirements

You are permitted to take **only eligible elective courses** for Credit/D/Fail, provided they are **not** fulfilling requirements toward an option, a minor, or a concentration.

Courses taken for Credit/D/Fail are not counted toward the calculation of your GPA or credits taken to be eligible for [Dean's Honour Roll or a Degree with Honours standing](#); only percentage-graded courses are used to determine eligibility. Also note, you must be registered in a minimum number of percentage-graded courses to be eligible to receive and retain most scholarships and distinctions.

Learn more: students.ubc.ca/enrolment/courses/credिटdfail-grading

Continuation in the BCom program

A winter session average of 60% or greater based on all courses attempted from September to April is required to continue in the program. This is a [weighted average](#), taking course credit values into consideration, and does include any failing grades.

If your winter session average falls below 60%, you will be considered to have failed the year and will be required to discontinue your studies at UBC for a period of at least one year. Decimals are not rounded (i.e., a winter session average of 59.9% would be a failed year). Courses taken during the summer session (May to August) are not included in the winter session average.

Promotion to Year 2

You will be promoted to Year 2 once you have met all of the following requirements:

- successful completion of a minimum of 24 credits including:
 - all of COMM 101, COMM 105, ECON 101, ECON 102, MATH 100
 - at least two¹ of COMM 190, COMM 191, COMM 192, COMM 196²

¹ While a minimum of two of COMM 190, COMM 191, COMM 192, COMM 196 are required for promotion to Year 2, all four courses must be completed to be eligible for promotion to Year 3. All courses must eventually be completed to fulfill BCom degree requirements.

² If you have not successfully completed COMM 196 in Year 1, you must complete it in Year 2. A minimum grade of 60% in the course is required, however, a passing grade of 50% or greater can be used for the purpose of promotion to Year 2. In such cases, COMM 196 must be retaken to achieve a grade of 60% or greater.

Continuation in the BCom program without promotion

If you have not completed the minimum requirements for promotion to Year 2, you may still continue in the next winter session, remaining in Year 1, provided your winter session average is greater than or equal to 60% on all courses attempted from September to April. You must achieve the minimum 60% continuation requirement by the end of the current winter session in April.

Navigating the myBCom website

The myBCom website is a great online resource that contains all kinds of information for UBC Sauder BCom students. Whether you're planning degree requirements or looking for career opportunities, the myBCom website is an excellent place to start. If you're new to the myBCom website, [watch these how-to videos](#) to learn tips on how to best navigate the website to find answers to your questions online.

Orientation and transition supports

Coming to university for the first time can be as overwhelming as it is exciting. We have a series of summer prep courses and orientation programs designed to introduce you to your new community and give you a confident start to your studies. We recommend participating in as many as you can to set yourself up for continued success.

Academic Essentials is a free, online program running from **July 4 – August 11, 2023**, to help prepare you for academic success as you transition to university. You'll refresh and build your academic skills in math, reading, and writing; feel confident about your academic readiness; and have access to a library of learning and wellness resources to use in your first year. There are three courses you can choose, and each is self-paced and self-directed, with new content released weekly. You'll be guided by course facilitators who are current students from your campus, who know the UBC Vancouver student experience first-hand. **Register by July 16 at you.ubc.ca/academic-essentials.**

BCom Prep for Math Success is a new online offering from the UBC Sauder Undergraduate Office (UGO). We know MATH 100 is a difficult course for many BCom students and we want you to arrive prepared for success. You'll find step-by-step videos of introductory calculus concepts presented by a 2023 BCom grad, strategies for learning and studying in quantitative courses, and a hub of resources and supports to utilize once you arrive. We strongly recommend you complete this course and the **Academic Essentials course in Readiness for University Mathematics** to give yourself the best chance at successfully completing MATH 100.

Jump Start is a multi-day academic orientation designed to introduce you to the university, your professors, and your classmates. You'll spend time with senior peers and professors from Sauder, make your first friends, and become familiar with the UBC campus and services available to you, all before classes begin. Residence students will participate in this program from **August 28 to September 1, 2023**. Commuter students will participate from **August 30 to September 1, 2023**. **Register for Jump Start at jumpstart.ubc.ca by July 6.**

The Spark is our very own Sauder-specific orientation program to welcome students to the UBC Sauder community. Join us on **September 8 and 9** to build meaningful connections with your classmates and upper-year students through fun games and activities. Visit www.ubcsauderspark.com for more information – **registration opens early July!**

Imagine UBC is a UBC-wide orientation event held on **Tuesday, September 5** that replaces the first day of classes. At Imagine UBC, you will be officially welcomed to UBC Sauder by our Dean, participate in the UBC pep rally, and learn about clubs, resources, and involvement opportunities available across the university. You'll receive more information about Imagine UBC later this summer, and **no registration is required**.

Registration assistance

If you need assistance with Commerce course registration, you can **complete the Registration Assistance form** once your registration has opened. The UGO will only process forms for which you provide a **valid reason** for a registration request, as defined in the online instructions. Academic advisors will direct all registration requests to this form. Please allow for **at least five business days** for processing.

Academic advising

The [UBC Sauder Undergraduate Office \(UGO\)](#) is dedicated to ensuring that you have the assistance and ongoing support that you need throughout your studies in the BCom program. You'll find many of the answers to your questions about your program—as well as resources and services available to support you—at [mybcom.sauder.ubc.ca](#) and [students.ubc.ca](#). We encourage you to start by reviewing our [Frequently Asked Questions](#) page.

If you still have questions or concerns, please email bcomquestions@sauder.ubc.ca or visit the UGO in person or at the [virtual office](#). Academic advisors are available for advising appointments from Monday to Friday during business hours.

Please note, the UGO will be closed on Monday, July 3, 2023 for a statutory holiday and Thursday, July 20 for staff training.