

# General Information for Professional Applied & Continuing Education (PACE) Part-Time Students

http://pace.uwinnipegcourses.ca/

# 1. Part-time Program Admission

All students pursuing a Certificate or Diploma program must be formally admitted into their program of choice in order to be eligible for graduation. Application for Admission forms must be accompanied by original transcripts from all post-secondary and high school educational institutions that the student has attended. Internationally educated applicants must submit an English Language test score. See <a href="http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/international-engprofrqmts">http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/international-engprofrqmts</a> for English Language requirements. A one-time admission fee of \$50.00 must accompany the admission application.

Application forms are available online, by visiting <u>pace.uwinnipeg.ca</u> and each respective program, or in the Registration Office at the Professional, Applied & Continuing Education office, located at the Buhler Centre (460 Portage Avenue, corner of Portage Ave and Memorial Blvd).

Professional Studies programs have open enrollment, meaning students can take classes without being admitted into a program. But since program requirements may change over time, the University advises that students apply to the desired program near to the beginning of their studies to ensure that they are locked in to the program requirements.

Part-time students have five years, from the date of admission, to complete their program of choice. After completion of all required courses, students must apply for graduation by submitting an Application for Graduation form to Professional, Applied & Continuing Education.

Students who require academic advising, assistance with course planning, or who have questions regarding transfer credits should contact Ashlie Wilson (Manager, Part-time Programs) at <u>a.wilson@uwinnipeg.ca</u> or 204-982-1179.

# 2. Online Course Outlines & Course Delivery Options

All part-time evening course outlines will be posted on the PACE website under the course name and number. Please click on the course to view the outline. Outlines can be obtained approximately two weeks prior to the course start date. It is recommended students print and take a copy of the course outline to class each week. Please visit: http://pace.uwinnipegcourses.ca/timetable

#### **Online Course Options**

PACE is very excited to have launched their first fully online program (the Management Certificate). Many of these online courses have fit into other program areas so please check under the timetable option of online learning to check and see if there are any online courses options in your program.

Please also see this link for more information on how PACE online courses work: <u>http://pace.uwinnipegcourses.ca/online-learning</u>

# 3. Textbooks, Pre-Reading & Course Requirements

Information regarding textbooks, pre-reading and course requirements is posted on the PACE website (pace.uwinnipeg.ca), approximately one month before the start of courses. It is important to check both the **course and section numbers** to ensure the correct textbook is purchased. Students are encouraged to purchase the textbook and complete the assigned pre-reading before the beginning of the course.

#### University of Winnipeg Bookstore

Students may purchase their textbooks at the UW Bookstore located at The AnX building at 471 Portage Avenue, Unit 1

#### Hours of Operation

The University of Winnipeg Bookstore operates Monday to Friday from 8:30am - 5:00pm, Saturday 10:00am – 4:00pm and may offer extended hours at peaks times of the year. Please call 204-258-2909 or email <u>universityofwinnipeg@bkstr.com</u> for more information.

#### **On-line Bookstore**

If you prefer to have your textbook shipped to your residence or work, you may wish to consider ordering your textbook online by visiting the UW <u>Bookstore website</u> and then selecting Textbooks to get to the order screen.

To order, please have your credit card ready and complete the following steps:

- > Ensure that the "Select Your Program" tab is set to "University of Winnipeg"
- Set the "Select Your Term" tab (For example, fall 2013)
- Set the "Select Your Department" tab to "DPS" using the drop down menu to scroll down to the area department code
- > Drop down the menu in "Select Your Course" to scroll down to the course number
- > Drop down the menu in "Select Your Section to scroll down to the specific section
- > Click on "Add to Cart and go to Cart" to finalize the purchase and shipment arrangements
- Set your textbook preference in the "textbook new/used preference" tab and click on "checkout" to proceed to enter your customer account information
- Click on the "Register" button in the New User" to create a user name and password for your customer account, or log in if you have an existing account
- Finalize your order

Please note that there is a shipping fee of up to \$10.00 when ordering textbooks online. As well, students purchasing textbooks online should allow 5-10 business days for delivery.

# 4. University of Winnipeg Policies - Refund & Voluntary Withdrawal, Attendance Requirements, Grading Options

**Refund Policy** 

Courses: the full tuition fee will be reimbursed up to one week prior to the start of a course. The tuition fee, less an administrative fee of 25%, will be reimbursed prior to the start of the second class. No refunds will be granted after this point.

Seminars/Workshops: the full tuition fee will be reimbursed up to one week prior to the start of the seminar/workshop. No refunds will be granted after this point.

#### Voluntary Withdrawal

Students may voluntarily withdraw from a course up to the 75% point in the class without academic penalty. After this point students will receive an F if they do not continue in the class or meet the passing criteria.

## Minimum Grade Requirement

Students must receive a minimum grade of "C" or better in all required courses in order to be eligible to graduate.

## **Grading Options**

Letter grade: Students who are pursuing a Diploma or Certificate program must receive a letter grade (in courses) in order to receive credit toward completion of their program. Students must attend 75% of classes to qualify for a letter grade.

Non-graded: Students who wish not be to graded can opt to receive a CP (Certification of Participation, also known as an audit) if they attend 75% of the course. A CP is acknowledgement that the student has attended the course; however, it *does not* count as credit toward completion of a program. Students must make the request to audit/opt for a CP to the instructor *and* the program area at the beginning of the course. Students can change from graded to non-graded status, up to the 75% completion point of the course.

No Credit (NC): Students who decide not to be graded in a course and have not met the 75% attendance requirement, will receive a grade of NC.

# Seminar Grading Scheme

Students who require credit toward a Diploma or Certificate will be given two weeks from the date of the seminar to submit a completed assignment to the instructor for grading. This assignment is mandatory for all Certificate and Diploma students. All assignments will be marked on a pass/fail basis. Upon submission of the assignment to the instructor, it is important that the student look for confirmation of receipt from the instructor to ensure that the instructor has received the assignment.

# 5. Student Contact Information

Professional, Applied and Continuing Education maintains regular contact with students regarding course information, course cancellations or changes, and academic issues. Therefore, it is important that students provide notice of any changes to their contact information. The University is moving towards primarily using email correspondence and students are asked to provide the Registration Office or the Program Area with a current email address.

# 6. User Name and Password to access My UWinnipeg Student Accounts & Web Advisor, Photocopying

All part-time students are assigned a user name and password. This provides access to Webmail (UWinnipeg student email), WebAdvisor, Library info, etc. Letters containing user names and passwords take a few weeks to be processed and are mailed to students after their initial registration process. Students who have not received a letter containing a user name and password should contact the registration office at 204-982-6633.

Students can visit WebAdvisor to:

- Check course section offerings
- View their profile
- View their current schedule
- Check grades
- View tuition and other fees
- Print off T2202A tax forms
- \*Make online payments

\*Students who have a pre-existing payment plan should contact Registration Services (204-982-6633) for details.

All students are provided with their own University email account. Students should ensure that this email account is maintained and that messages are retrieved regularly. As the University is moving towards email communication with students, students are asked to notify the Registration Office of their primary email address to ensure that they receive all communication from the University.

#### **Grade Access**

All students are now required to check their grades online and therefore will not receive grade reports in the mail. This grade access process has been implemented to improve the efficiency of the grade process, as well as assisting the University in its commitment to sustainability. If students require a grade on official UW letterhead for reimbursement purposes, they should call the program area at 204-982-1705 and this will be sent out.

#### **Photocopier Access**

All students have access to the photocopiers on campus, which are labelled for student use. Students will receive an email to their UW email address (accessible through Webmail), with a User ID and a PIN code. This information is necessary to both load funds onto a photocopy account (through the photocopy pay station) and to make photocopies. The UWPACE student photocopier and pay station is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Buhler Centre. Copies cost \$0.15 each; however, an account must carry a minimum balance of \$1.00 in order for the system to allow copies to be made. Each copy is deducted from the account balance.

If the User ID and PIN code have not been emailed to a student's UW email account, then Student Central, located at the UW Main Campus at 515 Portage Avenue (inside the Ellice Ave entrance), is also able to provide students with their PIN code (students must show their student cards as proof of ID).

#### T2202A tax forms

Students who are eligible to receive a T2202A for the school year will need to access this via WebAdvisor. T2202A will no longer be mailed out to students.

# 7. Student Cards & Access to Campus Services

All PACE students have the opportunity to obtain a student card from Main Campus and use campus services such as the library. Students interested in obtaining a student card must provide confirmation of registration, as well as a piece of photo identification to Student Central, which is located in Centennial Hall at Main Campus (515 Portage Avenue), inside the doors of the Ellice Street entrance.

# Student Central Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday (8:30am - 5:30pm) Friday (8:30am - 4:15pm)

# 8. Course Transfer between UWPACE Programs, Undergraduate Degrees at the University of Winnipeg & Course Transfer from a Different Educational Institution

#### Transfer of Credit Between Professional Studies Programs:

Students admitted to more than one Professional Studies Program may be eligible to receive credit for graded course work into another program. Students must complete a minimum number of unique courses to meet program residency. According to UWPACE residency requirements, a student may only transfer in up to a maximum of one-third of the courses required to complete a UWPACE program. For example, the Management Certificate program is 290 hours in total. 1/3 of 290 hrs = 96 hours, or 3 UWPACE courses. This means that a student may be eligible to transfer in credits up to the maximum equivalent of 3 UWPACE courses. For further details, please contact the Professional Studies program office.

# Articulation for Credit Towards a Degree:

The University of Winnipeg may recognize credit towards a degree for students who successfully complete a UWPACE certificate or diploma program. Some residency restrictions may apply.

#### Transfer of Credits:

Transfer of Credit from another accredited educational institution may be considered, if the following conditions have been met:

- ➤ Minimum grade of C+
- Courses completed in the past five years
- Course has similar course outcomes to UWPACE's course (course outline may need to be supplied to make this assessment)

A \$25.00 administrative fee per course is required if transfer credit is assessed after a student has been admitted into a program. Eligibility for transfer credit is conditional to program acceptance and program residency restrictions.

# 9. Graduation Process

Students must submit an Application for Graduation form upon completion of their program requirements. Professional, Applied and Continuing Education will process a certificate or diploma upon approval from The University of Winnipeg Senate Committee. There are three senate dates throughout the year. Please see the Application for Graduation form for the application deadline dates. Professional, Applied and Continuing Education will hold the annual graduation ceremony every October. Forms are available at the Registration Office or by visiting the UWPACE website.

# **10. Scholarship Opportunities**

UWPACE students who demonstrate financial need and academic achievement are encouraged to apply for scholarships, in order to pursue their studies at Professional, Applied and Continuing Education. Please see the website <u>http://pace.uwinnipegcourses.ca/funding</u> for information.

## 11. Required Professional Edge Seminar

UWPACE has developed a new seminar, "Writing at University," which is required for all certificate and diploma students who do not hold an undergraduate degree, or those who may need to further develop their academic writing skills. This seminar will help students understand the elements of academic writing and help students write an outline for a university paper and conduct research effectively. If you are required to take this seminar, **please do so at the front end of your course load**. See the timetable for the next available session. If you have any questions about this seminar requirement, please contact Ashlie Wilson, Manager of Part-time Programs, at 204-982-1179 or a.wilson@uwinnipeg.ca.

## **12. Academic Support**

The Professional Studies office is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Buhler Centre at 460 Portage Avenue.

*Office Hours:* Monday–Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

Please direct inquiries to: Ashlie Wilson, Manager of Part-time Programs 204-982-1179 or <u>a.wilson@uwinnipeg.ca</u>

Thank you for choosing the University of Winnipeg PACE for your studies!