

Freshman Registration FAQs

We recommend that you review these frequently asked questions before contacting us.

Q: Why am I registered for classes that have nothing to do with my major?

A: All CLU students must complete the general education requirements or CORE 21. All of the courses you are registered for will meet at least one of your CORE and/or Major requirement. To view the courses that meet each CORE requirement, visit the link below.

http://www.callutheran.edu/registrar/documents/CORE21-updated4-15-11_000.pdf

Some majors do not have any courses that must be taken during the first year. Space permitting, you will be registered for any freshman level courses required for your declared major. You will be able to discuss any questions about your major with your faculty advisor or a faculty member from that major during orientation.

Q: What if two of my classes are back to back?

A: This should not be an issue. Just be sure to mention to each professor when you meet them that you have a class immediately before or after. Professors are usually very understanding about this. CLU is a small campus so it shouldn't take more than a few minutes to get to your classes.

Q: What do I do if I have classes scheduled on a day or time that is not convenient for me?

A: The University believes very strongly that faculty advising is a very important part of your academic journey. You will have a chance to review your schedule with your faculty advisor during orientation and can attempt to make changes at that time. In most cases, you will need to wait until you have been advised by your faculty advisor to make changes. In the case of an extreme situation, we may be able to make limited adjustments before orientation. Courses can be added and dropped through Wednesday, September 14th. However, keep in mind that you need to stay in at least 12 credits to be full time and around 16 credits if you plan to graduate in four years.

Q: What if I have classes on only certain days?

A: Most classes meet either Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Tuesday, Thursday. Some students may be assigned classes that all meet on the same days. We recommend that you take advantage of any open or lighter days to study, get involved on campus, or fit in a part time job.

Q: Why is my faculty advisor from a different major than mine?

A: Not every department has faculty who participate in the Freshman Seminar program. In addition, there are not always enough faculty from certain departments to advise all of the freshman in those majors. Freshman Seminar groups are usually made up of students, faculty, and peer advisors from different majors. This group is formed to help you meet other students and get assimilated to CLU. If your faculty is not from your major area, they can put you in touch with someone from that department to help you plan for your major courses. Your freshman seminar advisor can guide you through CORE requirements.

Q: Why am I not registered for an English, Math, Science, History class, etc.?

A: Unlike in high school, at CLU you do not need to take these basic courses every year. We require all students to take English 111 (some may need to complete English 101 first) and Religion 100 during their freshman year. You should have been registered in one or both of these classes. All of the other CORE requirements can be

completed at any time. Some courses may overlap with your major requirements which will be completed in a future semester.