Enrolling in Courses from Other Academic Departments

SPD’s matriculated or non-matriculated (GSP) students may be able to take courses from other academic departments on campus. This document lists the participating departments and the protocol that students should follow to enroll. If a department is not listed here, the student should contact the departmental office directly to inquire about enrollment.

Anthropology

The department offers two programs in the study of Anthropology: a master’s (MA) program in Anthropology and a doctoral (Ph.D.) program in Anthropoligical Sciences (IDPAS).

Courses in the doctoral program are designated by “DPA” in the catalog and “ANT” designates master’s courses.

GSPs may not take any DPA courses. GSPs may enroll in all ANT courses (co-taught with DPA courses) with departmental permission.

Students can find the ANT enrollment permission form on the Anthropology department website: [www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/anthropology/graduate/masters.html](http://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/anthropology/graduate/masters.html).

GSPs should contact either:

David Hicks
Director, Anthropology MA Program
[David.Hicks@stonybrook.edu](mailto:David.Hicks@stonybrook.edu)
631-632-7617

Or

Tara Powers, Academic Programs Coordinator for both the IDPAS and the Anthropology MA Program
[Tara.Powers@stonybrook.edu](mailto:Tara.Powers@stonybrook.edu)
631-632-7620

Biochemistry and Structural Biology

With consent, GSPs can take any course except for the following: lab courses, seminars, student seminars, journal clubs. BSB 509, 510, 532, 581, 599, 601, 602, 604, 699, 700, 701

To obtain consent, a GSP student should first contact the professor and if he or she agrees, then they can contact the Program Coordinator, Ms. Joann Delucia-Conlon at [mcb_bsb_grad_programs@stonybrook.edu](mailto:mcb_bsb_grad_programs@stonybrook.edu) and ask to be added to the enrolled students list.

Website: [www.stonybrook.edu/bsb/](http://www.stonybrook.edu/bsb/)

Biomedical Informatics

GSPs may take ALL courses without consent.
Note: The graduate program in Biomedical Informatics has been approved for the 2016-2017 academic year. More information will be available on the department’s website soon.

For more information, contact:

Ann M. Gardner
Administrator, Biomedical Informatics Department
HSC L3-043
Stony Brook University
Stony Brook, NY 11794-8322
631-444-8459
Ann.Gardner@stonybrook.edu
bmi.stonybrookmedicine.edu/

Center for Medical Humanities, Compassionate Care and Bioethics

GSPs may take any course with instructor consent.

Email instructor and copy Graduate Program Coordinator Michael Ortega at michael.ortega@stonybrookmedicine.edu

Website: www.stonybrook.edu/bioethics/masters.shtml

Online Application (for matriculated status): https://app.applyyourself.com/?id=sunysb-gs

College of Business

All MBA, ACC, BUS, FIN and MKT courses are reserved for matriculated MBA or MBX students and are not open to GSP students.

GSP students would need to contact the CoB to request permission to enroll in one of our courses. They can contact OSS@stonybrook.edu or 631-632-7171

Note: our policy has been to not allow GSPs to take MBA courses except in very rare circumstances (ex. the student receives prior approval from our department because they need one or two accounting courses to sit for the CPA exam, they are an MBA Alumni who would like to take an additional course for enrichment, they are enrolled in an MBA program at another university and will be transferring credit to their home program, etc.)

Contact for information for GSPs:

Joyce Gibson, MBA Advisor & Recruiter
Joyce.Gibson@stonybrook.edu
631-632-7171

For more information:

Call 631-632-7171, email oss@stonybrook.edu or review the admission FAQs for the MBA program at www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/business/mba/admissions.html.
Computer Science

GSPs can take any course with consent. To get consent, fill out the Permission to Enroll form available with the Graduate Secretary.

Contact the Graduate Secretary at:
631-632-4147
graduate@cs.stonybrook.edu

For more information, contact:
IV Ramakrishnan, Professor and Graduate Program Director
631-632-8451
ram@cs.stonybrook.edu

Or
Samir R Das, Professor and Graduate Advisor, 631-632-1807, samir@cs.stonybrook.edu

Or
Review the Graduate Program Handbook at www.cs.stonybrook.edu/students/Graduate-Studies

Creative Writing

With consent, GSPs may take all courses except the Thesis course, CWL 599.

To obtain consent:

1. Email julie.sheehan@stonybrook.edu with name of course of interest and 10-15 page writing sample attached as Word or PDF.
2. Once approved by instructor, apply as a GSP through SPD.

For more information, contact:

Julie Sheehan
Director, MFA in Creative Writing
julie.sheehan@stonybrook.edu
631-632-5030
www.stonybrook.edu/southampton/mfa/admissions/visiting_students.html

Economics

All courses in the MA and PhD Program need departmental permission.

GSPs are not permitted to take any courses in the department.

Inquiries should be referred to the Director of Graduate Studies.

Website: www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/economics/
**Genetics**

GSPs may take without consent: BGE 510

GSPs may not take these courses:

BGE 530  
BBE 531  
BGE 691  
BGE 599  
BGE 699  
BGE 800

For more information, contact:
Martha Furie  
Director, Graduate Program in Genetics  
Martha.Furie@stonybrook.edu  
631-632-4232  
www.stonybrook.edu/gradgenetics

**Graduate Nutrition**

HFN 502 and HFN 503 have no prerequisites. All other courses in the program require a student have taken at least an undergraduate course in physiology. Many also require that they have taken an undergraduate nutrition course or HFN 500. They would need to complete the program’s non-matriculated application.

For more information, contact:
Sharon Schmidt  
Staff Associate, Graduate Nutrition Program  
631-638-2132  
sharon.schmidt@stonybrookmedicine.edu  
https://medicine.stonybrookmedicine.edu/gradnutrition

**Health Care Management**

Current GSPs may take any course with instructor or department consent.

To take courses, GSPs should contact Fran Shaw at frances.shaw@stonybrook.edu with their name, their Stony Brook ID and the course they are interested in taking. IF there is room they will be given permission to enroll and will then be informed that they have permission.

To get more information, students should either send email to frances.shaw@stonybrook.edu or call Fran Shaw at 631-444-3240. If they wish, they could also visit in the Health Sciences Center, Level 2 School of Health Technology and Management.
The School of Health Technology and Management offers an 18-credit advanced certificate in Health Care Management, with courses offered online and on campus, which the student is given up to three years to complete. Admission into this program requires a bachelor's degree with a 2.8 GPA or better.

For more information, contact:

Fran Shaw
Secretary
frances.shaw@stonybrook.edu
631-444-3240
healthtechnology.stonybrookmedicine.edu/programs/hcpm

Mathematics (see also Science and Mathematics Education)

This department would likely let students take any course they are academically qualified for. Discussion with the instructor would be advisable for any graduate course, including MAT 529, 530, 531, 534, 535, 542, 544, 551. A Ph.D. level math course would generally not be accessible to someone without a very strong and comprehensive undergraduate major.

Courses numbered higher than MAT 530, other than those specifically listed above, are completely off-limits for GSP students. An exception could only be made for students who have taken all the courses listed above (or acceptable equivalents taken at an acceptable peer institution) and made a grade of B or better in all of them.

To get into a math course as a GSP student: A letter of recommendation from a faculty member to the Graduate Program Director is required. Such letters will be carefully evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

CONTACT INFORMATION

GSP and other SPD matriculated students, and those students interested in the PhD program:

Prof. Claude LeBrun
Graduate Program Director
Claude@math.sunysb.edu

For the professional-option master’s inquiries:
Marco Martens at marco@math.sunysb.edu

Regarding master’s programs for teachers:
Lisa Berger at lisa.berger@stonybrook.edu or
Oleg Viro at oleg@math.sunysb.edu

Website: www.math.stonybrook.edu/description-mathematics-department-graduate-programs

Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

This course available without consent: HBM 503 Molecular Genetics
These courses available with consent:

- HBM 692 Experimental Methods in Molecular Genetics & Microbiology
- HBM 640 Molecular Mechanisms of Microbial Pathogenesis
- HBM 522 Biology of Cancer

These courses are not available to GSPs:

- HBM 509 Experimental Molecular Genetics & Microbiology
- HBM 510 Experimental Molecular Genetics & Microbiology
- HBM 690 Molecular Genetics & Microbiology Seminar
- HBM 691 Readings in Molecular Genetics & Microbiology
- HBM 693 Research Proposal Preparation in Molecular Genetics & Microbiology
- HBM 599 Graduate Research
- HBM 699 Dissertation Research

Contact the course director by email or phone to request permission to enroll in the course.

For more information, contact:

Janet Hearing
Graduate Program Director
PhD Program in Molecular Genetics & Microbiology
Janet.Hearing@stonybrook.edu
631-632-8778
www.mgm.stonybrook.edu/graduate/index.shtml

**Neurobiology and Behavior**

This course does not require consent for GSPs: BNB 697 Neuroscience Seminar

These courses require consent:

- BNB 561 Cellular and Molecular Neuroscience
- BNB 562 Systems Neuroscience
- BNB 560 Neuroanatomy
- BNB 563 Advanced Topics in Neuroscience
- BNB 564 Advanced Topics in Neuroscience
- BNB 551 Writing in Neuroscience
- BNB 565 Developmental Neuroscience
- BNB 597 Neuroscience Seminar Theme
- BNB 566 Neuroscience Seminar Neurobiology of Disease

These courses are not available to GSPs:

- BNB 555 Lab Rotation
- BNB 599 Dissertation Research
- BNB 699 Dissertation Research

To obtain consent, students should contact PiN Program Coordinator, Ms. Odalis Hernandez at 631-444-3050 or Odalis.Hernandez@stonybrook.edu.

**Website:** medicine.stonybrookmedicine.edu/neurobiology
Physics

GSPs may take any course, but please consult with the instructor to determine whether the preparation is sufficient.

To be considered for admission to the Physics Graduate program, students need to have completed the junior level core physics courses, as well as the math background required for these courses.

For more information, contact:

Jacobus Verbaarschot, Graduate Program Director
jacobus.verbaarschot@gmail.com
631-632-8123
graduate.physics.sunysb.edu

Physiology and Biophysics

GSPs may take this course without consent: HBY 554

With consent, they may take these: HBY 590, HBY 350 and HBY 501

GSPs may not take this course: HBY 570

Email course director at Kelly.Warren@stonybrook.edu for permission or more information.

Psychology

Psychology department graduate courses require prerequisites and are often filled to capacity. It is possible that some courses could admit a Ph.D. student from outside the department's graduate programs if the student had the right qualifications (for instance, someone from a cooperating university that is part of the Inter-University Doctoral Consortium).

To get consent for a course, the GSP should write directly to the instructor, with a cc to the Graduate Program Coordinator (marilynn.wollmuth@stonybrook.edu) and the Graduate Director (susan.brennan@stonybrook.edu).

For more information, contact:
Marilynn Wollmuth, Graduate Program Coordinator
marilynn.wollmuth@stonybrook.edu

Public Health

All courses are permitted for non-matriculated students through HSC (GNM). GSPs, however, receive an academic career message. In most cases, though, the program allows students to take the following courses:
HPH 585
HPH 500
HPH 554

Review the HSC course listing for "Courses Open to West Campus Students" for more information.

If students are only interested in taking HSC courses, they should be instructed to become a non-matriculated student through the HSC program they are most interested in pursuing.

For more information, contact:
Joanie Maniaci, Sr. Academic Coordinator
joanmarie.maniaci@stonybrook.edu
631-444-2074
publichealth.stonybrookmedicine.edu/

Sustainability Studies Program

GSPs may take these courses without consent:

  GSS 509: Digital Cartography
  GSS 513: GIS Fundamentals I
  GSS 570: Geospatial Narratives: Deep Mapping for Humanities and Sciences
  GSS 523: Geodatabase and Design
  GSS 525: GIS Fundamentals II
  GSS 526: GIS Project Management
  GSS 550: Applied Spatial Analysis
  GSS 554: Geospatial Science for the Coastal Zone
  GSS 555: GIS and Remote Sensing

GSPs may take these courses with consent:

  GSS 575: Geospatial Teaching Practicum
  GSS 587: Geospatial Research
  GSS 588: GIS Internship

Students wanting to take research or internship credits should contact the program director with the request and provide the following: GIS background classes, description of the research or internship project, expected work, and anticipated final product.

Note: A maximum of 6 credits taken as an undeclared graduate student can be counted toward the Geospatial Certificate. The certificate does not require GRE scores.

For more information, contact:

Michael Sperazza, Director Geospatial Science
michael.sperazza@stonybrook.edu
631-632-1687
www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/gss/index.html

Science and Mathematics Education
The Center for Science and Mathematics Education the following courses:

Available to GSPs without consent:

CEB 546
CEB 547
CEB 551

Available to GSPs with consent:

CEB 548
CEB 549
CSM 600
CSM 610
CSM 620
CSM 630
CSM 650

Contact the instructor or Administrator Judy Nimmo at judith.nimmo@stonybrook.edu for consent.

For more information:

Doctoral students:
Keith Sheppard
Website: sciedphd.stonybrook.edu/
Email: sciedphd@stonybrook.edu
Telephone: 631-632-2989

MAT students:
Linda Padwa
Website: http://www.stonybrook.edu/cesame/students/prospective-teachers.shtml
Email: linda.padwa@stonybrook.edu
Telephone: 631-632-7075

TESOL

For information on registering for a TESOL course as a non-matriculated student or MALS student, please see the following website: linguistics.stonybrook.edu/programs/graduate/ma/tesol/faq

Once on the website, scroll down to see information specifically relevant to SPD students and non-matriculated students.