REGISTRATION

Overview

To add, drop, withdraw, or otherwise change course registration, students should refer to the self-registration website (https://www.bethel.edu/student-success/self-registration/) and to MyBethel. The student's unique Academic Plan and other resources for registration are located here. When taking any registration activity, students should refer to the CRNs (Course Registration Numbers) on their Academic Plan, to identify specific scheduled course sections and streamline self-registration. Regardless of the actual first day that a class "meets" face to face or online, most courses officially begin on a Monday.

Course registrations, and all registration changes are official on the date the student makes the change online or when written notice is received by the student success advisor. Specific add, drop and withdrawal deadlines are listed on the Office of the Registrar's website (https://www.bethel.edu/registrar/important-dates-schedules/). No registration activity is complete until the change is displayed through MyBethel.

Adding a Course

Students may register for an upcoming term starting on the following dates:

- Fall registration begins April 1
- Spring registration begins August 1
- Summer registration begins December 1

Once registration opens, students can self-register until two weeks before the course start date. After that date, students must work with their student success advisor to request approval for a late course registration.

The deadline for adding a late course registration depends on the length of the course and is as follows:

- For courses less than 5 weeks long, the late add deadline is the 3rd calendar day of the part of term in which the course occurs.
- For courses 5+ weeks long, the late add deadline is the 8th calendar day of the part of term in which the course occurs.

Dropping a Course

Students must drop a course soon after it begins in order to remove the course from their transcript and avoid charges. The exact number of days depends on the length of the class:

- For courses less than 5 weeks long, the drop deadline is the 3rd calendar day of the part of term in which the course occurs.
- For courses 5+ weeks long, the drop deadline is the 8th calendar day of the part of term in which the course occurs.

Withdrawing from a Course

A student may withdraw from a course starting the day after the drop deadline. Unlike dropping, a course withdrawal appears on the student's transcript with a grade of "W." Students may withdraw from a course until approximately 65% of it has been completed. Specific withdrawal deadlines can be found on the Office of the Registrar's website.

Students who withdraw may be eligible to receive a prorated refund, starting on the first day of the withdrawal period and ending at the 50% point of the course. After this they are no longer eligible for any refund, even if they are still eligible to withdraw and earn a W on their transcript without petitioning to do so. The refund schedule may be found on the Business Office website.

Students may not withdraw after the course withdrawal deadline, except by petition. They will receive the grade earned for the course.

Changing from Credit to Audit

A student may change their registration in a course taken for credit, to that of audit up until the withdrawal deadline for that course.

Charges Related to Registration Activities

The student is responsible for all charges incurred due to registration activity and for any loss of financial aid or change of loan deferment status as a result. Scheduled online sessions count as "class sessions" when determining tuition refunds and grades. Any refund due to a registration drop or withdrawal will be governed by the refund policy found in this catalog.

Exceptions to Registration Policies

Extenuating circumstances beyond the student's control may warrant exception to a registration policy. Such exceptions will be considered on a case-by-case basis and may require submitting a petition. Students should contact their student success advisor to discuss eligibility and initiate the petition process.