

Spring Courses and Student Options

John Carroll University will be offering a number of different types of courses this spring and the option for students to elect to be a **remote student** for a particular course, a set of courses, or for all of your courses.

Spring Courses: Web/Online

What is a Web/Online course?

A course with the schedule type or campus code of *Web/Online* never meets on campus. If it has no scheduled time, it is a course that is mostly asynchronous: you will log in and complete work in the course at your own pace within the deadlines set by the instructor. Any “live” group Zoom sessions will be scheduled by the instructor well in advance in connection with the students’ schedules. A *Web/Online* course with a scheduled time will hold “live” Zoom sessions at that time, and you should plan to be available to log in at that time.



Why is my class Web/Online?

Some courses would have been assigned this type even if there were not a pandemic. (Offering a course this way can provide schedule flexibility for undergraduate students, while certain graduate programs, particularly those designed for working professionals, have long made extensive use of Web/Online courses.) Some courses are newly designated as Web/Online for a number of reasons:

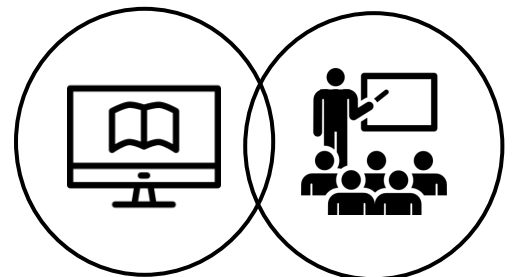
- the faculty have decided that this modality is the best way to deliver the course,
- the course’s department or program has decided to expand its online offerings to reach new audiences, or
- the course was moved online to protect the health and safety of an instructor or a group of students in the course who fall into high risk categories.

Students in a Web/Online course are automatically considered **remote students** for that course.

Spring Courses: Hybrid

What is a Hybrid course?

A course with the schedule type of *Hybrid* will have some in-person meetings scheduled (but not as many as a normal class would have). *Hybrid* courses will have rooms and times assigned to them; you should be available at that time and watch for instructions from your instructor about who should attend when.



Why is my class Hybrid?

The only courses with this schedule type would have had this designation even if there were not a pandemic. *Hybrid* courses provide a middle-ground between Web/Online and in-person courses, and so provide some of the benefits of Online without giving up valuable in-person time.

Remote students in *Hybrid* courses will be expected to join remotely during the course’s scheduled time and should keep that time otherwise free in their schedule.

Spring Courses: HyFlex [Lecture, Lab, Seminar]

What is a HyFlex course?

Historically, in-person courses been the most common type of course offered at John Carroll with scheduled times in specific classrooms where students are expected to attend. A three-credit hour lecture course usually meets for 3 hours a week. This spring, all in-person courses are being offered in a HyFlex format



How will HyFlex differ from the traditional lectures and labs?

Many of the specifics may differ from class to class, but some general guidelines are in place. Unless the classroom is large enough to hold the entire class, instructors will likely assign you a specific day/time to attend classes in person and ask you to attend remotely on other days (via Zoom). All *HyFlex* classes will also include a substantial level of online content. Students attending in person will wear face coverings at all times during class. There may also be additional changes, such as plexiglass barriers or assigned seats. You may attend *in-person* only on your scheduled days!

It is possible that a few *HyFlex* courses may be taught by remote instructors (for example, if an instructor needs to be in quarantine or isolation because of exposure or a diagnosis). Your instructor will communicate with the class about how things will work in such a case, should the need arise.

Remote students in *HyFlex* courses will be expected to join remotely during the course's scheduled time and should keep that time otherwise free in their schedule.

Spring Courses: Other Types

If you are taking a course with one of the less common types, such as *Activity*, *Experiential*, *Independent Study*, *Research*, *Studio/Performance* or *Workshop*, please watch for information from your instructor during the week before classes begin.



Questions



How Can I Know What My Courses Are?

To view the most accurate and up-to-date schedule information for the spring, visit <https://banner.jcu.edu/registration> and click *View Registration Information*. Select the *Spring 2021* term and then select the *Active Registrations* tab. Changes to course locations will be listed there. Any courses listed as *Web/Online* will not meet in-person.

What Might Change Between Now and mid-January?

Some classes that are currently *HyFlex* might become *Web/Online* as faculty continue their preparations (and *vice versa*). The Registrar's office is currently working with faculty to ensure each course is in the largest room possible, so your course may change its classroom assignment in the coming weeks. You can keep an eye on your schedule in Banner (see above), and department chairs and program directors will notify you about major changes like cancellations or a course moving from *HyFlex* to online.