Admission to Courses: Instructors are not required to hold spaces for students who do not attend the first class meeting and may refuse admittance to students who have not attended the first class meetings.

Course Program: The normal semester program for non-Ada Comstock Scholars is 16 credits, with a minimum of 12 credits required to remain enrolled at the college. Students may not register for more than 24 credits in any one semester.

Course Restrictions: Consult the instructor. If permission is granted, submit to the registrar's office an approved "Waiver of Restrictions" form (available online or at the registrar's office) within the first ten days of classes. Exceptions to class restrictions for seminars and special studies are by petition to the Administrative Board.

Five College Registration: Entering transfer students and Ada Comstock Scholars are eligible to enroll in Five College courses; first semester, first-year students must obtain the permission of the class dean. Interested students can find information and instructions at the registrar's office homepage.

Late Registration: It is important that all students register and make changes by the appropriate deadlines. Students who are not registered for any classes by the end of the first ten days of classes will be assessed a late fee. In addition, there is a late fee charged for any approved petition to add or drop a course after the final deadlines.

Language Credit: Policies concerning credit for introductory language courses are published in the catalogue at the beginning of each language department's course listings. If students are completing introductory language courses through the Five College Interchange, the credit policy of the comparable department at Smith applies. If there is no comparable language taught at Smith, students may receive credit for the first semester only, but distribution credit is only awarded upon completion of the full year.

Limited Enrollment Courses: Students must attend the first class meeting at the start of the semester in order to remain in or register for a limited enrollment course. If you do not attend the first class, the instructor may fill your space from the waitlist. If you are on the waitlist and are admitted or want to add a limited course, you must obtain the instructor's permission. If admitted, submit an approved "Waiver of Restrictions" form to the registrar's office.

Music Performance: Registration requires approval of the instructor. To complete registration, students must submit a completed and approved Music registration form to the registrar's office by the end of the add/drop period. Forms are available from the Music department office or the Registrar's office. For entering students, auditions for placement in instrument or voice lessons for credit are held before the first day of classes. Students may sign up for an audition time in the Music Office in Sage Hall.

Performance Courses: You may count only 4 ESS, 12 Dance Studio (20 for Dance majors), and 24 Music performance credits towards the degree. Courses completed beyond these limits will be listed on the transcript with a grade but will not count toward the degree.

Permission: Courses that require the instructor's permission are not available for online registration. If admitted, submit approved "Waiver of Restrictions" form to the registrar's office within the first ten days of classes. Instructors are not required to hold spaces for students who do not attend the first class meeting.
Prerequisites: A student who has not completed the prerequisite for a course may elect it only with the permission of the instructor and department chair. If eligible, submit an approved and signed “Waiver of Restrictions” form to the registrar’s office within the first ten days of classes.

Repeating Courses: Normally, courses may not be repeated for credit. In courses where the content varies from year to year exceptions to this rule may be made by the instructor and the chair of the department. A student who has failed a course may repeat it with the original grade remaining on the record. The second grade is also recorded. A student who wants to repeat a course she has not failed may do so for no credit. The second grade is recorded but does not count in the grade point average. Students intending to repeat a course for credit must file a signed “Waiver of Restrictions” form with the registrar’s office within the first ten days of classes.

Seminars: Open by permission to juniors and seniors only. If admitted, submit approved “Waiver of Restrictions” form to the registrar’s office to register within the first ten days of classes. First-year students and sophomores may not enroll except by permission of the Administrative Board.

Special Studies: Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors only. Submit an approved “Special Studies” form (available in the registrar’s office or online) to the registrar’s office to register.

S/U grading option: A student may elect the satisfactory/unsatisfactory grading option in a course with the permission of the instructor. Students must earn a grade of C- or better to be awarded a satisfactory grade and earn credit for the course. A maximum of 16 credits of S/U grades may be counted toward the degree. Satisfactory/unsatisfactory grades are not calculated in the grade point average. Students may declare the S/U grading option online at the time of registration. A change in grading option may be made through the end of the ninth week of classes. See the yearlong courses section below for further restrictions concerning the grading option.

Time Conflicts: Students may not register for courses that overlap in time. Consult the schedule book; it may be necessary for you to choose another course. Any exceptions are by petition to the Administrative Board.

Waitlists: If a course is closed, you may add your name to the waitlist when you register. You may not put your name on a waitlist during the add/drop period. See the Limited Enrollment Courses section above for more information and for instructions on completing registration.

Yearlong Courses: Students must register for and complete both semesters of a yearlong course (designated by a "D" or "Y" in the course number) before credit is granted. Any student not registered for the second half of a year course by the end of the spring registration period will forfeit credit for the first semester.

- In "D" courses, the first semester grade is temporary; the grade earned at the end of the second semester is the final grade and replaces the temporary grade of the first semester. The grading option must be consistent for both semesters and may not be changed after the fall S/U deadline. The grades for "D" courses completed in two different academic years are recorded separately.
- In "Y" courses, students receive a separate grade for each semester, but credit is not granted until successful completion of the full year course. Students may elect a separate grading option for each semester of a "Y" yearlong course.