

Southern Connecticut State University
Department of Sociology

Are You A Senior Interested in Taking Graduate Courses?

SCSU Graduate Catalog Statement on Graduate Courses for Undergraduate Students:

“A senior in good standing, with at least a 3.0 GPA, may take graduate courses for graduate credit to meet undergraduate requirements or to apply graduate courses to a master 's degree at a later time, with the presentation of a completed "Petition for Irregular Schedule." The petition must have the signature of the student's adviser before it is presented to the Dean of the School of Graduate and Professional Studies for approval. The petition must also be consistent with departmental stipulations regarding course eligibility. No more than nine semester hours in graduate courses may be earned by an undergraduate student toward a graduate degree at Southern. Graduate courses taken to meet undergraduate requirements may not be used as part of a future graduate program. Undergraduate students are limited to one graduate course per semester. Students in accelerated bachelor's to master's degree pathway programs may take up to two graduate courses per semester and may earn up to 12 graduate credits toward both degrees without a petition.”

(<https://catalog.southernct.edu/graduate/general-information/academic-standards.html>)

Students must complete the checklist below before they can register for graduate courses.

Registering for a Graduate Course as an Undergraduate Checklist:

- I am a Senior with a GPA of at least a 3.0.
 - I obtained a Petition for Irregular Schedule form (<https://inside.southernct.edu/sites/default/files/a/inside-southern/onestop/registrar/petition-for-irregular-schedule.pdf>).
 - The Petition for Irregular Schedule form has two options:
 - Option A: I will take a graduate course for undergraduate credit, OR
 - Option B: I will take a graduate course for graduate credit.
 - I consulted with my undergraduate advisor regarding which option best meets my needs based on my undergraduate degree requirements.
 - I *and* my advisor completed and signed my Petition for Irregular Schedule form.
 - I submitted my Petition for the Irregular Schedule form to the School of Graduate and Professional Studies (SGPS) at GPSinfo@southernct.edu for the Dean’s approval.
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