

FAQs on Pre-Allocation of Primary Major Gateway Courses for Incoming CHS Students

CHS will pre-allocate gateway courses to freshmen students in their **first semester** based on the **primary major** they have declared in the Academic Plan Declaration (APD) exercise. Students must have declared their primary major by the deadline stipulated in the mass email sent out to students to be eligible for the pre-allocation.

1. How will I be informed of the outcome?

You may check the outcome of your pre-allocated gateway course in the [Course Registration \(CourseReg\) System](#) in July.

For FASS primary majors, if the gateway course of your major is oversubscribed, we will pre-allocate the gateway course to you in your second semester of study.

Note: Psychology majors will be pre-allocated with either PL1101E or PL2131.

For most FoS primary majors, the gateway course of your major will only be pre-allocated in your first semester of study.

2. Will tutorial groups for the gateway courses be pre-allocated to me as well?

No, only lecture groups will be pre-allocated to you. Please register for your preferred tutorial groups during the Tutorial Registration exercise.

3. If the gateway course for my declared major is oversubscribed and will only be pre-allocated to me in my second semester, will my academic plan declaration be affected?

No. Students are allowed to declare a major before passing the respective gateway course.

4. I have already declared my major via the Academic Plan Declaration exercise but I have since changed my mind. Can I go back to amend my choices?

No. Unfortunately, the APD exercise can only be attempted once every semester, and no changes are allowed in that semester once submitted. Please declare your new major in the next APD exercise. Please note that you can only do so up to your 5th semester.

If you do not wish to read your pre-allocated gateway course, you may drop it on your own via the Course Registration System and register for another course.

5. Must I participate in this exercise if I am accepted into a structured programme (e.g. double degree, double major or major-minor programme)?

Yes, it is compulsory for all students to complete the APD exercise. For the pre-allocation of gateway courses, what you have declared as your primary major in the APD exercise will take precedence.

Example: you have accepted our Psychology-Management/Life Science-Management double major programme offer, but you have declared another CHS major as your primary major in the APD exercise. We will pre-allocate to you the gateway course of your declared major (provided

that it is not over-subscribed). Therefore, please consider your options carefully before completing the APD exercise.

If you still wish to pursue your second major in Management, please do not drop the Management second major as it cannot be added back until at the point of graduation when you have completed the Management requirements.

6. I have been accepted into the PPE-XDP via direct admission. Which gateway course will I be pre-allocated with?

If you have been accepted into the PPE programme at the point of admission, you will be pre-allocated the gateway course for Philosophy (GEX1015) in your first semester. Please register for the Political Science and Economics gateway courses via CourseReg if you also wish to read them in the same semester.

7. I am interested to major in English Language but I have to wait for the results of the Qualifying English Test. What should I declare as my major now?

You should still declare English Language as your major. The gateway course will be pre-allocated to you if you pass your Qualifying English Test.

8. Do I need to register for other courses to read during my first semester?

Yes, you still have to register for the remaining courses using the Course Registration (CourseReg) System to accumulate at least 18 Units of courses in a semester. Our recommendation is that you read 20 Units in your first semester of study.

You can register for any course provided that you meet the pre-requisites.

9. Can I read more than 5 courses each semester?

You can only read up to 23 Units of courses in your first semester. From your second semester onwards, you can read 6 courses per semester provided that your Grade Point Average (GPA) is above 2.0.

For further clarifications, please send your queries to askchs@nus.edu.sg.

Other useful links:

	FASS Primary Major Students	FoS Primary Major Students
Graduation Requirements (updated in mid-July)	FASS Modular System	Information for Freshman to Science majors
Information on Course Pre-allocation	FASS Pre-allocation guidelines	FoS Pre-allocation Table

The CHS curriculum is found at <https://chs.nus.edu.sg/programmes/>.