Q. I want to get into an economics class but it says it’s “Waitlisted.” What do I do?

A. Get on the waitlist immediately! To do this, attempt to add the class via the online registration system. It will say the add was unsuccessful but should give you the option to add yourself on the waitlist. You may also select a ‘swap’ class if needed.

**Important Tip**- Be sure to read the waitlist directions provided to you and monitor “My Waitlists” on the Registrar website for updates on your status. This will inform you of common pitfalls that may prevent you from being added to the class (going over maximum hours, time conflict, etc). Those who don’t run the risk of being skipped over by others on the waitlist or being removed from the waitlist altogether.

Q. If a class is waitlisted do I stand a chance of getting added?

A. Yes! It is not hopeless to get into a “waitlisted” class. Here’s why:
- If the waitlist system is turned on for a class, it will say “waitlisted” as soon as it is full, even if no one is on the waitlist yet. So you could be the first person on the list.
- It is common to have several people drop during the add/drop periods. If you are in the first five or so on the waitlist, your chances are usually pretty good.

Q. What if I can’t get on the waitlist?

A. If you have recently declared your major as economics, your major code may not have changed yet. Or, if you are doing a minor in Economics, your major code does not reflect this. Without an eco major code, the online system will not allow you access to waitlists for “restricted” economics classes. We suggest you add an open section, if possible, and check with our office to see if you have any other options. (See next question, also.)

Q. Is there any other way to add the class?…with instructor permission?

A. No. You must utilize the waitlist system. However, the online waitlists shut down after the 4th class day (2nd class day for summer sessions). On the 5th class day (3rd class day for summer sessions), our internal paper waitlist will open in BRB 1.114 for certain economics courses which is a fresh waitlist that is first come first served. Both economics majors and non-economics majors can utilize the paper waitlist.

Q. What if the class is listed as “Closed” instead of “Waitlisted?”

A. A “closed” economics course typically means that the waitlist is full. Keep checking through the 4th class day (2nd for summer sessions) to see if the course becomes “open” or “waitlisted” as people add and drop.

Q. I want to add a class in another department that is listed as “Closed” or “Restricted.” What do I do?

A. The possibility of and procedures for adding a closed or restricted class varies by department. You would need to contact the advising/undergraduate office of the department offering the course to see what must be done. Their contact info can be found at: [http://www.utexas.edu/academic/advising/](http://www.utexas.edu/academic/advising/)