2022-2023 NU Bound Course Selection and Registration FAQ

Q. How do I know which courses I should select?
A. You should use the location-specific curriculum course maps and the course description guide available on the NU Bound Program website to help guide them. If you are still not sure which class(es) to select after reviewing these documents, you should go ahead and pick the courses that you feel best align with your academic needs and interests. Remember that you will have the chance to consult with your Northeastern University academic advising office to finalize your course selections before your program launches.

Q. Why are some or most of my classes already selected for me?
A. Many first-year programs of study have a fairly prescribed curriculum. The NU Bound Program works closely with the colleges and academic departments at Northeastern to ensure that first year requirements can be met. The classes you see that have been pre-selected for you are based on academic requirements for your major.

Q. What do I do if I have AP, IB, or other advanced or transfer credit for any courses I was pre-selected into?
A. Don’t worry! It is not uncommon for students to come in with advanced credits and pass out of certain academic program requirements. You should review your curriculum course map on our website to start thinking about alternative courses that you will need or want in lieu of those that you placed out of. You do not need to email your home college advising office now. Your home college advising office will be contacting you soon. You will discuss course alternatives and finalize these selections with your home college advising office this summer (June through July).

Q. Once I choose my courses in the system, are my selections final?
A. No. You will have the opportunity to work with your home college academic advising office to make adjustments to your course selections over the summer (June through July). You will be able to discuss your classes with an academic advisor, and any necessary adjustments will be made at that time.

Q. What is NUpath? How do I know which ones to pick in my NU Bound fall semester?
A. Here is more information on the NU Core Curriculum. You should choose an elective course that carries any NUPath attributes that are not otherwise fulfilled by major course requirements in their major. You will speak with your home college advising office this summer to provide guidance on your fall NU Bound courses.
Q. Will I be able to make any changes to my course selections and schedule once I arrive to my NU Bound Program location?  
A. Yes. Course changes during your host institution’s add/drop period are possible. Students can make changes to their schedules during their host institutions add/drop period, which typically runs the first week of class. However, while students can request a change, they are strongly discouraged from doing so. Your courses were carefully reviewed and confirmed with your NU academic advising office over the summer. Any changes once you arrive on site may impact your academic progress. Please also keep in mind that requests are not guaranteed. Factors such as capacity, timetabling, and add/drop deadlines may not allow for a change to be made.

Q. When do I get my schedule?  
A. Your final schedule will be shared by the NU Bound Program partner institution during on-site orientation. Dates, times, locations of classes, etc. will be shared by your NU Bound program institution once you arrive for the fall semester.

Q. When will I get to select my Spring 2022 courses?  
A. You will be able to discuss your NU Bound plan of study this summer with your academic advising office. There will also be an opportunity to finalize your spring course selections later this fall, in late October through the middle of November. NU advising will be available on-ground and remotely in the fall to help ensure your spring classes align with your academic needs and interests.