TO: New Perkins Students

FROM: Joe F. Monroy, Registrar and Director of Academic Services

SUBJECT: Registration for Fall 2023

DATE: April 12, 2023

Welcome! I'm glad you will be joining the Perkins Community and look forward to meeting you in August. Do not hesitate to call me at 214-768-2152 if you have registration questions. You may begin registering on June 1. NOTE: Houston enrollment deadline for fall is July 10. Students must enroll in Dallas courses not later than August 18.

Advising: You will be assigned a faculty advisor for the time that you are enrolled in Perkins. You will talk to this person each term during the advance registration period (April and November) and at other times as you both determine, either in person, by phone, or by email. However, if you need to speak to an advisor immediately, please contact Herbert Coleman, Director of Retention and Student Success, at hcoleman@smu.edu.

Degree Progress Sheets for Registration: Perkins students will utilize the Degree Progress Sheet for registration. These forms are on the Academic Services web page. These PDF forms are fillable and allow for a digital signature by students and their faculty advisors. Next to each course students should indicate in which semester the course will be completed (as best you can at this point). We ask that students be prepared to access the forms with a laptop computer, digitally sign it, and email it to the registrar at jmonroy@smu.edu. We hope this process will help students and advisors more effectively plan for course selections. The Degree Progress Sheets are available for students enrolled in the following degree plans: MAM, MTS, MSM, MDiv, and ThM. Only the students enrolled as non-degree seeking students should use the old Course Request Form, which is also available on the same web page.

Registration: The Fall schedule is also located on the Academic Services web page. The unique course numbers are listed in the fourth column. You should register yourself online at my.SMU.edu using the course numbers. For instructions, please see SMU’s instructions for enrolling in classes. For assistance with using the my.SMU system please go to http://www.smu.edu/BusinessFinance/OIT/Services/mySMU or call the help desk at 214-768-4357.

Enrollment Limits: Enrollment for course sections with posted limits will be in the system in the order in which they are completed in my.SMU.edu. You will be notified immediately if a course section is filled when you try to post your enrollment. Most courses have an online wait list. Please take advantage of that if you find a course you want filled. Do not approach a professor privately to ask about exceeding limits. As a new student, you will enroll in courses that have no prerequisites.

Guidelines for choosing courses: If you are in a degree program and intend to take only 3 hours, choose New Testament I or Old Testament I. If you will register for 6 hours, register for NT I or OT I plus Christian Heritage I. If you will take 9 hours in the Fall, register for NT I or OT I, plus Christian Heritage I, plus Interpretation of the Christian Message I*. If you will take 12 hours, register for NT I or OT I, plus Christian Heritage I, plus Interpretation of the Christian Message I*, plus either The Church in its Social Context or Interfaith Studies. MDiv and MAM students should also enroll in Spiritual Formation.

* MDiv students are encouraged to take Introduction to Theology now and take Interpretation of the Christian Message I during the second year, unless you already have a solid background in academic theology.

Cancellation: If you change your plans and will not be attending the Fall term, and you fail to notify us, you may be responsible for all or part of any tuition charges incurred by this contract. You must contact the Perkins Registrar to cancel enrollment before the Fall term begins August 21, 2023 in order not to owe any tuition charges.

Schedule Changes: Friday, August 25 is the last day to ADD courses and the last day to DROP courses without grade record or tuition billing. Courses dropped after this date will not be deleted from your bill. Schedule changes should be done online in my.SMU. Please notify me if you make a change by sending an email to jmonroy@smu.edu. Friday, September 1 is the last day to drop a course with no academic record, although tuition charges will be incurred for all drops after August 25.

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