

ACCELERATED SCIENCES ONLINE INSTRUCTION FAQs

SCUHS has suspended classes on campus until April 5 in consideration of COVID-19. During this time, Accelerated Sciences classes will take place as scheduled online.

1. What technology requirements do I need to participate in online lectures and labs?

A computer

A WebCam

Reliable internet connection

A microphone

Zoom program (you can download from a link through your class's Canvas page)

2. I do not have the proper technology at home to participate in online instruction. What should I do?

Please feel free to utilize the computer labs in the Learning Resource Center on campus. The LRC will remain open during class suspension.

3. What are the online lectures going to be like?

Your instructors will give you more information about how they will run their lectures online. Generally, you'll have pre-recorded videos that you can watch in your own time accompanied by an hour of videoconference discussions scheduled during regular class time. Or, instructors may conduct all lectures through videoconference during regular class times. **Plan to be "in class" through your computer at home during regularly scheduled class times.**

4. What are the online labs going to be like?

We have a variety of good resources that provide virtual labs. In Biology classes, labs involve simulations of the human body, cell plates and experiments. In Chemistry classes, you'll watch videos of lab processes and be given data to do your own calculations and write your report.

5. Will the move to an online platform impact how the course shows up on my transcript?

All SCU courses show up the same way on your transcript (the online vs. in-person is not indicated), so moving to online instruction does not impact how the course shows up on your transcript.

6. The graduate program I am applying to requires in-person labs. What should I do?

The Department of Education has asked all schools to take into consideration these emergency circumstances related to COVID-19 and online instruction.

It's worth contacting graduate schools' admissions offices at this point to see how they are treating online instruction.

If you do know for sure that your school will not accept online instruction of labs, please refer to our website to see when the next session of on-ground labs will take place. You can choose to attend only the lab portion of our usual 4 to 5-week long classes or you can enroll in our intensive week-long lab sessions.

Please refer to the schedule of your specific class here:

<https://www.scuhs.edu/academics/sps/accelerated-science-courses/>

Postponing completion of your labs means that you will get a grade of "Incomplete" until you complete the lab requirements. Refer to Question #6 below.

7. I am not comfortable with online instruction/I will need to postpone my labs to take them in-person. What should I do?

Yes. Please do the following:

- Email registrar@scuhs.edu with your name, your SCUHS ID number, the class you're enrolled in and the name of your instructor to request an incomplete (a simple "I would like to request an incomplete to do the suspension of classes on-campus" is sufficient).
- Please include the class that you want to enroll in in order to resume your instruction. Refer to our upcoming class schedule on our website: <https://www.scuhs.edu/academics/sps/accelerated-science-courses/>

8. How does getting an "Incomplete" affect my ability to apply to graduate school?

An "Incomplete" indicates that you have postponed completing the requirements of a class. Generally, a graduate school may ask you to address an "Incomplete" grade by a certain deadline before you can submit your application.

Please refer to our website to see offerings of upcoming on-ground classes (including our week-long intensives labs) and plan accordingly: <https://www.scuhs.edu/academics/sps/accelerated-science-courses/>

In general, we have the following "blocks" coming up:

Summer schedule:

April 30 to May 27
May 28 to June 24
June 25 to July 29
July 30 to August 26

Tentative Fall schedule:

September 7 to October 11
October 12 to November 15
November 16 to December 22

When in doubt, it is always good to reach out to the graduate school of your choice for guidance. **SCUHS is not responsible for credit transfer policies at other graduate schools.**

9. I am not comfortable with online instruction/I do not wish to continue this class at SCUHS. What happens if I drop the class now?

Our current policies are as follows:

- The deadline to drop a class with a W is by Day 14 of your class. If you drop your class after this deadline, you will receive a WF on your transcript.
- The deadline to drop a class for a 25% refund is Day 9 of your class. There are no refunds for drops after this date.

However, if you have extenuating circumstances, please contact undergraduatestudies@scuhs.edu.

10. How will I take my proctored exams during online instruction?

Your instructor will give you more information. Please make sure you are checking your Canvas messages and/or SCUHS email. For now, please be ready to take your exams as scheduled, even if they have been postponed.

11. When will your Fall 2020 course schedule be up so that I can plan in advance?

The Fall 2020 course schedule will be available at the end of May 2020.

If you have questions that are not answered here, please contact undergraduatestudies@scuhs.edu.

Stay safe and healthy! We'll see you back on campus soon.