



MSJ Consortium Information

Contact: Advising@MSJ.edu for more information

Mount St. Joseph University is a member with two consortiums: The Greater Cincinnati Collegiate Connection (GC3) and Acadeum Consortiums. The purpose of a Consortium is to provide students with a means of taking courses not offered at their own institution.

Full-and part-time degree-seeking students, both undergraduate and graduate, are eligible to enroll in the Greater Cincinnati Collegiate Consortium cross-registration program and/or request approval to enroll in Acadeum Online Consortium courses. Enrollment in Consortium courses occurs concurrently with enrollment at the Mount.

Degree-seeking Mount students may enroll in a maximum of two courses or six semester hours in Consortium courses each academic year. Courses taken through the Consortiums may not exceed a total of eight courses or 24 semester hours in a student's total baccalaureate program. In an associate degree program, Consortium courses may not exceed four courses or 12 semester hours. A maximum of only two courses or six semester hours may be taken through the Consortiums during the student's final 30 hours of Mount residency. Graduate students cannot earn more than 25 percent of the credits required for the Master of Arts degree in off-campus courses taken either through the Consortium or in transfer from another institution.

Mount students are charged Mount tuition and \$10 per consortium credit hour processing fee when registering through the Consortiums. Credit hours earned by courses taken through a Consortium are treated as Mount residency hours. Consortium grades are calculated in the student's Mount grade point average. It is the student's responsibility to verify that all pre-requisites have been met before enrolling in a Consortium course.

Students registering for a Consortium course follow the academic calendar of the provider school. Tuition refund schedules do not follow the standard MSJ format. Students may be subject to an additional fee depending on the actual withdrawal date. If a change in enrollment status (add/drop) is made, the procedure **must be completed at both schools by the student**.

Extenuating circumstances may require an exception to the Consortium cross-registration policy. Appeals for exceptions are submitted in writing to the Provost, or designee. Approved University Study Abroad Programs are exempt from Consortium policies.

GC3 Consortium Cross-Registration

GC3 Cross-registration procedures are as follows:

1. Begin with emailing advising@msj.edu Mount St. Joseph University's Academic Advising Resource Center (AARC) to secure course and Consortium procedure information.
2. Developmental courses taken through the Consortium that are similar in content to those offered at Mount St. Joseph University will be accepted as general electives; however, those courses that are not applied toward a degree at a host institution will not be accepted.
3. Obtain a signature of approval from an academic advisor on a Mount registration or add form.
4. Complete the cross-registration form and Memorandum of Understanding for Mount St. Joseph University's Academic Advising Resource Center. The Mount's Consortium representative's signature on the Consortium form is required. The student may wish to call the host school's registration office to determine the availability of space.
5. Information about how to submit the cross registration form to the institution where the course will be taken can be found on the GC3 website or from the GC3 representative in the AARC.
6. If a change in enrollment status (add/drop) is made, the add/drop procedure must be completed at both schools by the student prior to the published registration/drop/withdrawal dates.
7. A per credit hour NON-REFUNDABLE fee is assessed for each course taken through the GC3 in addition to the current tuition. The student is responsible for the non-refundable fee even if the student drops or withdraws from the GC3 course.

The following schools are members of the GC3 Consortium: Art Academy of Cincinnati, The Athenaeum, Chatfield College, Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, Gateway Community and Technical College, God's Bible School and College; Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Miami University, Mount St. Joseph University, Northern Kentucky University, Thomas More College, Union Institute and University, University of Cincinnati (ROTC and band only), Wilmington College, and Xavier University.

Acadeum Consortium Registration

Acadeum registration processes are as follows:

1. Email advising@msj.edu Mount St. Joseph University's Acadeum Administrator to review a request to take an Acadeum course.
2. If the Administrator approves, the student, advisor, and Associate Director of Student Administrative Services are emailed a checklist and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) of Financial Responsibility and Confirmation page that must be signed and returned to the Administrator.
3. If the student has returned the confirmation to the Administrator, the Administrator sends information to the student about how to request the course in the Acadeum system. After the Administrator approves the request in the Acadeum system, the provider/host institution is alerted. The student and Administrator will receive information via email from the provider/host institution to confirm or deny enrollment for the course.
4. Student begins the course on its scheduled day. Part time Mount students who withdraw after the academic drop date listed in the MOU will receive NO refund for tuition per course. Full time students who withdraw from the Acadeum consortium course after the withdrawal date stated on the MOU, will be charged an enrollment fee per Acadeum course as stated on the MOU.

5. A student who enrolls in Acadeum coursework and has two attempts resulting in withdrawal or failure will no longer be eligible to participate in Acadeum consortium course offerings. Any appeal would be directed to the Provost or designee.

Students seeking accommodations for disabilities and who are interested in taking an Acadeum course should first contact the *Director of the Learning Center, Disability Services, and Project EXCEL* at 513-244-4623 to facilitate the process for obtaining services from the school offering the Acadeum course. Requests for accommodations should be received at least 2 weeks prior to the term start although 30 days is preferable as some services may take longer to provide. If the disabilities services provider schools are not notified in time to make the necessary arrangements, students may not have their accommodations in place for the course. In this case, students may want to take the course in a later term so that their accommodations are available.