

FAQ for waitlisters

1. Will I be able to get into this class?

We don't know, it depends on how flexible you are. If you see a section open and no one is on the waitlist, grab it. On average 2 people drop from each section, but that means some sections get zero drops and some get four. If you are #4 on a waitlist, maybe find a section with no waitlist so you have a better chance. Quite often a space appears in a section with no one waiting, and the person who is watching the schedule closely is the one that gets it. THERE ARE NO GUARANTEES!

2. But as long as I am on the waitlist I will eventually get in?

A: Nope. If no one drops from a section, no one can be added. And you will still see your name on a wait list even after the add/drop period ends- that does not mean you still have a shot at getting in, only that the registrar does not zero out names.

3. Can you add me to the wait list?

No, you must add yourself

4. I really need this class, why can't you let me in?

We have a limit of 24 students per lab room per section. We can't exceed that.

5. Will it help if I email the lecture professor?

No, that email will simply get forwarded to the coordinator.

6. I have been waiting for this section since the first day, why can't I get in?

Someone needs to drop before we can let you in. If no one drops, no one is let in. time on wait list means nothing.

7. I talked to the registrars office and they said you could add me to the class.

True, we can if there is space. They might give the standard reply not knowing there is no space.

8. When will I know if I am in this class?

Well, there is always the add/drop deadline...Seriously, if we see a spot open, we fill it, so you will know as soon as we know.

9. I see a spot open, can I have it?

See #1 and #3.

10. I am a graduating senior and I really need this class, can I have priority?

A: The wait list takes units into account. You get a higher priority

with more units. I have no way of changing that. But seriously- if you really need this class and you see a lab spot open at 8 am - TAKE IT! Everyone hates 8 am labs, but it is better than not getting a spot.

11. I am already in a section, why can't I just switch to a different section?

If there is a spot open and no waitlist, you can. If there is a spot open and a waitlist, they get priority. If there is no spot open, be glad you are enrolled.

12. Can I enroll in one section and do the work in a different one?

No.

13. I am #3 on the waitlist and three people did not show up to lab, can I get in?

Not until they drop. Because we allow people to miss one lab for any reason, just because they did not show up does not mean they don't still want the class.

14. It is 8 weeks in the semester, will I ever get in? I am still on the waitlist.

If you are not admitted by add/drop deadline, you will not get in. You will remain on waitlist, but that does not mean anything. You should NOT check into a locker if you are only on the waitlist.

15. I missed a lab while waiting for this class, can I make it up?

You can do the labs while on the waitlist, you can do the HW while on the waitlist, you have textbook access while on the waitlist. But YOU need to reach out to US to get signed up for Book and HW-waitlist is anonymous, we do not know who you are so we can't reach out to YOU.

No makeups. But we do drop one lab and one quiz for any reason, so this will be your dropped lab.

16. I don't want to buy the lab material in case I don't get in. What should I do?

Make a friend, copy their lab manual until you get in. Borrow goggles and an apron. But you will need everything a regular student has if you expect credit for the lab.

Please go to <http://www.chemistry.sdsu.edu/courses/CHEM100/>

This site has first week lecture and lab materials. During the first week of lab, make a friend and copy week 2 material from manual if needed.