Enrollment Options for Spring and Summer

**Take Classes Full Time**

Students can enroll in courses and access campus resources whether living at Stanford or taking courses remotely. Tuition will be charged at the full-time flat rate for the quarter. There is no per unit tuition billing in any of the four quarters. Students who are authorized to do so may live on campus. No student is required to live on campus to be enrolled, however.

**Take a Flex Term**

During a Flex Term, students can enroll in up to five units. Students can also participate in student activities, such as student organizations, and use many of the associated university resources. Students can take one Flex Term in any one of the four quarters of this year. Tuition isn’t charged for the Flex Term, though there are still student fees.

- **Five free units during a Flex Term.** Undergraduates and coterm students in the undergraduate tuition group are eligible to take up to five free units during their Flex Term. The units will appear on the student’s transcript and be subject to the same grading policy as all other course units in 2020-2021. No tuition will be charged for these units.

- **Experiential learning opportunities.** Students can use their Flex Term for full-time Stanford-funded experiential learning opportunities (ELOs)—such as undergraduate research, Cardinal Quarter, or other experiential opportunities—though only after completing two enrolled quarters in the current academic year (2020–21); therefore, these full-time programs are only available in spring and summer quarters. Students may also participate in part-time ELOs, like working as a research assistant. But note that part-time ELOs don’t make students eligible to live on campus.

- **Living on campus.** Students can live on campus during their Flex Term only if (1) their cohort has been invited back to campus for that quarter or if they have been approved through the special circumstances process and (2) they are participating in a full-time Stanford-funded spring or summer ELO like those described above. **NOTE:** there will not be a special academic circumstances option for frosh/sophomores in Spring Quarter.

**Take a Leave of Absence**

Any student who wants to take time away from formal coursework and the university this year can take a Leave of Absence (LoA). Students on an LOA cannot live on campus.
Eligibility for Flex Term housing and in-person activities

**Spring**

**Spring Flex Term Housing**
*Juniors and seniors whose cohort is already assigned to live on campus in Spring 2021 may live on campus during their Flex Term while participating in an approved full-time ELO (minimum six weeks duration).*

* Students must apply for housing separately from their ELO application, and should do so if they may participate even if they have not yet received notification of an ELO award.

* In general, first-year and sophomore students are not eligible to be on campus in Spring Quarter. Those who have special circumstances and have been granted an exception to stay on campus, however, may use their Flex Term and engage in a full-time ELO (minimum six weeks duration).

**Spring In-Person Activities**
With limited exceptions for open campus buildings, all Stanford-funded ELOs should remain remote opportunities only. Undergraduates who are living on campus or locally may be permitted to engage in in-person research activities in open campus buildings such as labs, studios, or libraries with the approval of the relevant PI and dean’s office. In-person activities at off-campus locations are currently not permitted. Stanford-sponsored travel for undergraduates also remains prohibited.

**Summer**

**Summer Flex Term Housing**
*First-year students and sophomores will be invited back to campus for the summer quarter and may take their Flex Term while living on campus if they are participating in an approved summer activity or program.*

*Health conditions (including state, county, and campus guidelines) and space permitting, juniors and seniors will be permitted to live on campus either while enrolled or during their Flex Term while engaged in approved summer activities. More information about eligibility for summer campus housing will be communicated to students as soon as available.*

**Summer In-Person Activities**
Because we cannot predict with certainty whether health conditions will permit in-person activities this summer, Stanford-funded ELOs should be designed so that they can be performed remotely, though in-person restrictions may be relaxed as conditions allow.

Have questions about academic planning? Please be in touch with your academic advisor. Visit advising.stanford.edu for additional resources.

For questions about housing, please be in touch with a residence dean by contacting undergraduatesupport@stanford.edu.

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