

Key to Columbia Course Listings

(Example: *ECON W1105 001 Principles of Economics, 4 pts*)

	Example	Description																
Call # (5 digit number)	<i>16238</i>	This 5 digit code is assigned to individual courses and is specific to each semester.																
Department Code (4 letter code)	<i>ECON</i>	This 4 letter code represents the Academic Department that manages the course.																
Course Number (1 <u>capital letter</u> followed by 4 <u>digit code</u>)	<i>W</i>	<p>The <i>capital letters</i> indicate the instructor teaching the course and their affiliation with a division, school or affiliate of the University.</p> <p>Unless otherwise noted, courses numbers beginning with the following letters are generally open to CC/SEAS undergraduate students:</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>BC</td><td>Barnard College</td></tr> <tr><td>C</td><td>Columbia College</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td><td>Engineering and Applied Science</td></tr> <tr><td>F</td><td>General Studies</td></tr> <tr><td>G</td><td>Graduate School of Arts and Sciences</td></tr> <tr><td>V</td><td>Interschool course with Barnard</td></tr> <tr><td>W</td><td>Interfaculty course</td></tr> <tr><td>X</td><td>Barnard College</td></tr> </table>	BC	Barnard College	C	Columbia College	E	Engineering and Applied Science	F	General Studies	G	Graduate School of Arts and Sciences	V	Interschool course with Barnard	W	Interfaculty course	X	Barnard College
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Course Section	<i>001</i>	Based on course demand, some academic departments offer the same course during 2 or more different time slots. Each time slot is assigned a different section number.																
Points/Credits	<i>4</i>	The term “points” and “credits” are often used interchangeably and is generally related to the number of classroom contact hours.																

University Course Number Codes

<i>A</i>	<i>Architecture, Planning, and Preservation*</i>
<i>B</i>	<i>Business*</i>
BC	Barnard College
C	Columbia College
<i>D</i>	<i>Dentistry**</i>
E	Engineering and Applied Science
F	General Studies
G	Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
<i>H</i>	<i>Reid Hall, Paris**</i>
<i>I</i>	<i>Berlin Consortium Program**</i>
<i>J</i>	<i>Journalism*</i>
<i>K</i>	<i>Continuing Education**</i>
<i>L</i>	<i>Law**</i>
<i>M</i>	<i>Medicine**</i>
<i>N</i>	<i>Nursing**</i>
<i>O</i>	<i>Union Theological**</i>
<i>P</i>	<i>School of Public Health*</i>
<i>R</i>	<i>School of the Arts*</i>
S	Summer Session
<i>T</i>	<i>Social Work*</i>
<i>TA-TZ</i>	<i>Teachers College*</i>
<i>U</i>	<i>International and Public Affairs*</i>
V	Interschool course with Barnard
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<i>Z</i>	<i>American Language Program(no credit)**</i>

*These courses are not generally open to undergraduate students via SSOL registration. However, they may be available to upper-class students with special permission or cross registration procedures established by the host school (see [taking courses in other divisions of the University](#)).

**These courses are generally not available to Visiting and Exchange Students.