Welcome!

You are about to begin your studies with us as a new UTM student. We recognize that you have department specific questions and so we deliver this week a special edition just for students aiming for the Commerce track: welcome to NEXT STOP: Commerce @ UTM. In this issue, we address some of the most frequently asked student questions regarding course registration, introduce you to your department advisors, and deliver valuable Commerce specific content. Also, you won’t want to miss the inspiring welcome from UTM’s Principal!

We are excited to have you join us here at UTM and are eager to help you succeed! Stick with us over the summer and we’ll help you get to your NEXT STOP!

-The Department of Management, the Office of the Registrar, and the Office of Student Transition

Getting Prepared: Orientation & LAUNCH

At the Department of Management, we want to encourage you to participate in two opportunities created specifically for YOU: Commerce Orientation @ O-Week, and LAUNCH! We have seen how these programs have benefited our students in the past and cannot recommend them more. Be sure to enrol soon to reserve your spots.
Commerce Orientation @ O-Week:

Date: Wednesday, August 31
Time: 9 am – 11 am
Room: IB 110
Register: uoft.me/O-Week

Join our first year faculty members and a panel of student leaders to answer your questions. You will receive tips on how to succeed and how to make a smooth transition into university. You will interact with our student leaders who will share their experiences in and outside of the classroom. There will also be a review of our Professional Skills Development Program.

Registration is not required, but guarantees your spot in other Orientation Week events with limited space.

utm101H5F LAUNCH: Business, Commerce and Management

Date: Weekly during the Fall term
Time and room: There are 8 sections to choose from!
Register: Register for utm101H5F on ACORN.

Did you know that there is a hanging speech bubble at UTM? Do you know how to study effectively? Did you know that you can use up to 6GB of internet bandwidth per day while on campus?

Whenever starting a new journey, there are always tips and tricks to making that journey easier and more fun. Who’s better at providing these tips and tricks than someone who has already been through the entire experience?

LAUNCH pairs you with a successful upper-year mentor in your academic discipline to assist you in transitioning successfully to UTM.

Here’s how LAUNCH can help you as a Commerce student:

- Are you interested in networking with people in your field?
- Do you want to develop your critical and creative thinking?
- Would you like to learn how to be academically successful?
- Do you want to find out about campus resources available to students?
- Do you want make friends and learn about ways to relax and have fun on campus?

LAUNCH is not-for-credit - there is no homework, assignments, or tests! Instead, earn a notation on your Co-Curricular Record (CCR) for completing, in addition to learning some valuable skills, making friends, and having a good time!

Don’t miss out on all the fun! LAUNCH into your UTM experience with us!
What Courses to Take: Core, Required, Pre-/Co-Requisite Courses

- MGM101H5F  (0.5 credit, Fall term)
- ECO100Y5Y   (1.0 credit, offered over the entire year)
- MAT133Y5    (1.0 credit, offered over the entire year)
- 1.0 or 2.0 elective credits of your choice.

When choosing your electives, you may want to explore the academic calendar to see which programs you are interested in pursuing alongside your Major or Specialist. An academic advisor at the Office of the Registrar can help you with this planning. Keep in mind that you will need to have completed a minimum of 4.0 credits before you can apply for your program during the program selection period near the end of the academic year. See the Eagle Questions section for more info.

Choosing Programs: Program Entry Requirements

We offer four Commerce Specialist programs and one Major program. Enrolment in all programs is limited to students who meet the following criteria:

- Prerequisite Courses: ECO100Y5 (63%); MGM101H5 (63%); MGT120H5 (63%); MAT133Y5/MAT135Y5 or equivalent (50%) in a minimum of 4.0 credits.

- Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA): Each year the Management Department sets a minimum required CGPA. This will vary from year to year and is based, in part, on supply and demand.

Courses with a grade of CR/NCR will not count as part of the 4.0 credits required for program entry.

Application to program takes place in March/April each year.

For more detailed information please check the UTM Academic Calendar at: https://student.utm.utoronto.ca/calendar//program_group.pl?Group_Id=61
Program Advising: Department Contact Information

Help is available. Please feel free to contact Mary Wellman, Academic Advisor at: mary.wellman@utoronto.ca with your commerce-specific questions. You can also visit her office, Room KN 2270, no appointment necessary.

Welcome to UTM!
On behalf of everyone at UTM and the University as a whole, Dr. Ulli Krull, your Vice-President and Principal, would like to welcome you to the UTM family. In this week's special edition of NEXT STOP, we look to inspire you with Dr. Krull's useful tips and insightful comparisons about getting the most out of your university education.

Click here to watch!
What should I do if the course I want is full?

If a course is full, put yourself on the wait list. Make sure you select other courses as a Plan B or Plan C, while you wait for movement in wait lists (as students add and drop courses or as class sizes potentially get adjusted). Be a little flexible in building an alternate timetable. Think about other courses that you can take this year.

I have a course conflict, what should I do?

It is the responsibility of the student to resolve a conflict by finding another section or course option. If you are finding it difficult to build a conflict-free timetable, come speak with an Academic Advisor at the Office of the Registrar.

How many courses should I take in my first year?

3.0 credits or more categorizes you a full time student. Note that you need to complete at least 4.0 credits to be considered for entry into Program(s) of Study. You also need to consider taking on average 5.0 credits per year to complete your degree in 4 years.

Why can’t I add a course listed on the timetable?

You may not be able to add a course due to enrolment controls. Please check the timetable: [https://student.utm.utoronto.ca/timetable/](https://student.utm.utoronto.ca/timetable/) for more details.

What if my tutorial or practical is closed? Are they required?

Tutorials and practicals are required. If you are unable to get into a corresponding tutorial or practical, please speak with your Department Advisor.

How do I select my Program of Study (POSt)?

Students request their programs at the end of their first year, as all UofT students are admitted to a general first year program (such as Life Sciences or Humanities). You need to complete a minimum of 4.0 credits as well as any other program enrollment criteria (such as CGPA) before you can be considered for entry into a program. Please refer to the Subject POSt Guide for more information.
The Li Koon Chun Finance Learning Centre and Printing of Marketing Materials

The Li Koon Chun Finance Learning Centre (FLC) is a hub for students, faculty, and staff who are interested in finance, investing, and business to access online resources, specialized information services, and expertise in the areas of management, finance, accounting, economics, and business. The FLC has a work space for business and management students that create an environment where the worlds of investing, finance, and business intersect. They also partner with other UTM organizations to host the Annual IMI Finance Competition, which is UTM’s only stock competition. You can visit the FLC in the lower level of the Innovation Complex in Room L1245.

Being a part of the Undergraduate Commerce Society (UCS) gives you access to even more perks, like access to competitions and conferences at a discounted price, networking sessions, and connections to many important companies. UCS also offers business card and nametag printing services for its members. For more info, go to the UCS website at: http://www.utmucs.ca/