For Faculty and Staff

WSU WAITLIST TUTORIAL
What is Waitlisting?

• Waitlisting is an option for students who encounter classes that are full but may still want to try to register, if a seat opens up again.

• The Department just adds the waitlist maximum amount of 100 on each class as they set them up for the semester.

• UPDATE: All classes will have a waitlist amount of 100 as of Spring 2018 except for the following exceptions: Courses that have a max enrollment of one or none AND courses with many lectures linked to many labs.
How does Waitlisting work?

- Students who attempt to register for a class that is full or ‘closed’ may put themselves on a waiting list.
- The waitlist queue works on a first-come, first-served basis.
- When a seat becomes available, an email will be sent to the student at the top of the waiting list via their Wildcat email.
- The student will have 24 hours from the delivery, not the receipt, of the email to add the class.
- All Holds and Registration Restrictions will still apply to be eligible to waitlist a class.
Advantages of Waitlisting

- Students will automatically be notified by the student email system when a seat becomes available if they have put themselves on a waitlist for a specific class. Emails go to the student’s weber account.
- Students will have 24 hours to register for the class. If they drop or decide not to add, the class will become available for the next student on the waitlist.
- Administrators can track the demand for courses by utilizing waitlisting data. See the Waitlisting Argos Report in the Student Campus Access folder.
Procedural Instructions

- Instructors and departments can see waitlisted students on their class rolls and other forms in Banner and their Faculty Dashboard.
- If a student wants to get into a waitlisted class, instructors, advisors, and staff need to direct the student to sign up for the waitlist.
- Waitlisting eliminates the need to use capacity overrides or permission forms to enroll student. In order for the system to work correctly, **capacity overrides and permission forms cannot be used.**
- Instructors and departments will still be able to override other restrictions such as prerequisites, corequisites, duplicates, etc.
- Students should be encouraged to drop waitlisted sections if they are no longer wanted. This enables other students to move up more quickly on the waitlist.
Setting up a class for a Wait List

- When entering the information for the Class Schedule each semester, go to SSASECT, Section Enrollment Information tab, and add the **Waitlist Maximum** count.

- **NEW:** The default waitlist maximum should be set to 100 on all reasonable courses. There are some exceptions to this rule. For example: courses such as Directed Readings or linked Lec/Labs.

- Departments will be able to use waitlisting as a method to track course demand, determine if new sections are needed, and collect data.
Using SFASLST or SFAALST in Banner, you can pull up a Class Roll and also view the students that are still registered as WL (waitlisted).

Or, you can view it in your class roll (see next slide).
Log into your eWeber portal.
Click on the Faculty Dashboard app.
Choose a class and click on the Class List icon which is the Summary Class Roll.
Click on the blue Wait List header to see a list of the Waitlisted students.

**TIP!!**
Instructors: Click on the blue Wait List to see your waitlisted students and their position on the waitlist. You can email those students who may or may not have a chance of getting into the class. Remember that registration runs through the Friday of the first week of school, so permission forms on waitlisted classes will not be accepted until the second week of school.
Verifying student email notification

In Banner, go to SFIWLNT and put in a CRN to see a list of students who have been notified by email of an open seat. You can also view their waitlist priority and status.

When a seat in a class becomes available, the next student in the queue will be notified via their Wildcat email account. They have 24 hours from the time the email was sent to add the course. If they don’t add the class within that window, the slot will be given to the next student in line.
Purging Waitlist Data

- Registration, online overrides, and waitlisting will end on the Friday of the first week of school at midnight (except for Block 2 classes that run the second half of the semester).

- At the beginning of the second week of school, data reports will be collected, and a purge will be run to remove all expired and pending waitlisted classes on the student’s registration schedule.
Summary

- Waitlisting will remove the need for instructors to manually sign students into a class, unless the add takes place after the first week of the semester.
- Faculty can view their waitlists through Banner or their weber portal.
- Faculty and Departments will not have to sign students into class until the waitlist period has ended.
- Waitlisting will help track course demand and enables better management of our curriculum offerings.
- Run the Wait List Argos report in the Student-Campus Access folder for waitlisting data for each semester.
Please be sure that all your faculty & staff have read the waitlist tutorials so correct information is given.

Instructors may utilize the Waitlist Rolls to view a student’s waitlist position to determine if or when they may expect to get into the class.

To be on a Waitlist is NEVER A GUARANTEE that enough students will drop the closed class to let all waitlisted students in!!!! The class is already full and it is not possible to predict how many students will drop.

If more spaces are added to the max enrollment, emails will automatically be sent out to the students on the waitlist for their 24-hour opportunity. The class will not be open to students not on the waitlist until the waitlist is empty.

Permission forms or emails from departments (or instructors) will not be allowed on classes that have students on a waitlist until the second week of the semester when registration and waitlisting has ended.

If students report that they did not receive their waitlist email, direct them to Computing Support, 7777, Lampros Hall, room 218, or have them check out the Waitlist Tutorial for Students or the Wildcat Email site. Students are responsible for their own email account.