

FALL 2020 Freshman Seminars



Small, discussion-based classes in which students have the opportunity to explore specific topics within or beyond a major.

Freshman seminars are 1.0 unit, and for the P/NP grading option only

*For date, time, section ID, and course description of each seminar, please visit: [HYPERLINK](#)

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Students who start at UCSD with 45 units or more (from AP, IB, cc courses, etc.) must [contact the department](#) hosting the freshman seminar for authorization to enroll. Once students have enrolled in classes they should contact the department through the VAC.

Department of Anthropology (ANTH 87)

- Beyond the Headlines: Analyzing Current Events (A00)

Division of Chemistry & Biochemistry (CHEM 87)

- Teaching Science: The Challenge (A00)

Department of Cognitive Science (COGS 87)

- How Minds and Groups Make Religion and Superstition (A00)
- The Mindful Life — discovering well-being and compassion (B00)

Department of Computer Science & Engineering (CSE 87)

- Errors and Failures: What went wrong? (A00)
- Neural Networks as Models of the Mind (B00)

Environmental Studies (ENVR 87)

- Nature and Well-Being (A00)

Film Studies (FILM 87)

- Banned Films (B00)
- Cult Films of 1950s-2000s (C00)
- Fantasy, Sci Fi, & Horror: The Last 60 Years (D00)
- What Film Could Teach Us About Life (A00)

Department of History (HITO 87)

- Pandemics, Panics, and Plagues (B00)
- What is Socialism (And What Isn't) (A00)

Department of Literature (LTCS 87)

- Digital Intimacies (A00)

Department of Physics (PHYS 87)

- From Quarks to Cosmos (A00)
- Physics on the Internet (B00)

Department of Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO 87)

- An Introduction to Volcanoes (C00)
- Drugs from the Sea, Fact or Fantasy? (A00)
- The microbiome in human and environmental health (B00)

Warren College (WARR 87)

- Translational Medicine: Human Disease-targeted Research (A00)