



FAQs About Caps on Online Classes

Why are their caps (student maximum enrollment) for online classes?

There are several reasons class caps are vital to the online learning experience.

- First and foremost, online class quality and integrity are closely-monitored by the State of California for the purpose of accreditation standards.
- Online classes are not "static." Students don't just view classes. They email their instructors with questions, requests, clarifications, etc. and the instructors email them back. The more students enrolled in a class, the more email communication time is required of an instructor.
- Instructors' time must be a balance of research, creation of class content, class preparation, teaching the class, maintaining email communications with students, as well as a large number of administrative duties. Thus, class caps are necessary to maintain the quality and integrity of all classes, including online classes.
- Class caps for online classes are essential in providing enrolled students the first-rate learning experience that the Emeritus Institute delivers.

Are there any options if a class I want is full?

Yes! If the class has a Waitlist, you can place yourself on it. You will see that option pop-up on your screen when you're informed that the class is full. For more information, see the "Waitlist & Mobile Registration Guide" on the Emeritus website or in one of our monthly Emeritus eNewsletters.