2022–2023 Graduate Catalog

The Graduate Catalog is a record of the 2022–2023 academic years. It is for informational purposes only and does not constitute a contract. Faculty assignments and programs listed are subject to change. Courses are not necessarily offered each term or each year. Individual departments or units should be consulted for current information regarding programs, faculty, and regularity of course offerings.

The online catalog is updated as degree programs, courses, and requirements change.

The catalog is an academic planning tool for graduate students and is divided into five major sections. In addition, the catalog provides a listing of the graduate faculty and links to the Graduate College website and catalog archive.

- The University
- Graduate Study at UIC
- Degree Programs
- Colleges & Schools
- Graduate Course Descriptions

Each section of the online catalog, described below, provides information necessary for the academic planning process.

The University
The University section provides an overview of the University of Illinois Chicago.

Graduate Study at UIC
The Graduate Study at UIC section outlines admissions, application, degree requirement, and university information pertinent to all Graduate College students.

Degree Programs
The Degree Programs section lists all graduate and professional degree programs and certificate programs available at UIC. It also provides a list of program updates and changes.

Colleges & Schools
The Colleges & Schools section describes graduate degree programs and their requirements in detail. Students use this section of the catalog to ensure that they understand and meet all requirements for their degree program.

Graduate Course Descriptions
The Graduate Course Descriptions section lists all the graduate courses at UIC. The course descriptions are arranged alphabetically by subject area. Each course description includes a rubric (subject area abbreviation), course number, course title, semester hours, prerequisites (if any), and course content. A list of rubrics may be found at the beginning of the Graduate Course Descriptions section.

The online catalog includes all courses at UIC. However, not all courses are offered during a given semester. Students will find current course offerings in the Schedule of Classes, which is published online before registration begins.

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Nondiscrimination Statement
The commitment of the University of Illinois System to the most fundamental principles of academic freedom, equality of opportunity, and human dignity requires that decisions involving students and employees be based on individual merit and be free from invidious discrimination in all its forms.

The University of Illinois System will not engage in discrimination or harassment against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, genetic information, disability, pregnancy, sexual orientation including gender identity, unfavorable discharge from the military or status as a protected veteran and will comply with all federal and state nondiscrimination, equal opportunity and affirmative action laws, orders and regulations. This nondiscrimination policy applies to admissions, employment, access to and treatment in the programs and activities of the University of Illinois System.

Complaint and grievance procedures provide employees and students with the means for the resolution of complaints that allege a violation of this Statement. Members of the public should direct their inquiries or complaints to the appropriate equal opportunity office.

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Chancellor’s Statement of Commitment to Persons with Disabilities
Guided by the belief that people with disabilities are assets to the University, UIC is committed to full inclusion and participation of people with disabilities in all aspects of University life. We seek to provide an academic, social, and physical environment that makes disabled people integral to the diversity of perspectives that is vital to an academic community. UIC supports the principles of universally accessible design, alternative communication formats, and the expression of disability community and pride. At all levels of the University, UIC promotes equal opportunity, fair treatment, and the elimination of barriers for qualified individuals with disabilities.

Office for Access and Equity
UIC is committed to providing and preserving an educational and work environment free from all forms of sex discrimination, sexual harassment and other sexual misconduct (collectively referred to as “sexual misconduct”). UIC prohibits and will not tolerate sexual misconduct of or by students, employees, patients, applicants for enrollment or employment, or others in its education programs or activities.

Please visit the UIC Sexual Misconduct website for more information on the policy statement, the sexual misconduct grievance process, and how to report an incident.

To report sexual misconduct to the University or for additional information or assistance with the equal opportunity, affirmative action, and
harassment policies and procedures of the University of Illinois Chicago, please contact:

Office for Access and Equity
Title IX Coordinator, titleix@uic.edu
ADA Coordinator, oaeada@uic.edu (titleix@uic.edu)
717 Marshfield Building (MC 602)
809 South Marshfield Avenue
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http://oae.uic.edu
(312) 996-8670 Fax (312) 413-0055

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Office for Access and Equity (MC 602)
Access and Equity can be contacted at the address below:

C. Grievance Officer: The assigned investigator of the UIC Office for
Grievance Procedures.

B. Grievant: Any member of the public who submits a Grievance.

A. Grievance: A written statement submitted by a Grievant identifying
the activity, policy, rule, standard, or method of administration that is related to the operation of University’s programs.

II. Eligibility
These procedures may be used by any member of the public who alleges
age (Under the Age Discrimination Act) or disability (Under Title II of
the Americans with Disabilities Act) discrimination on the basis of class.
However, anyone who wishes to challenge a decision made about them
by an agent of the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) in the course of
their employment or enrollment at UIC must utilize the UIC Academic
Grievance Procedures.

III. Definitions
A. Grievance: A written statement submitted by a Grievant identifying
the activity, policy, rule, standard or method of administration he/she
claims to be discriminatory on the basis of age and/or disability and
explaining the manner in which that activity, policy, rule, standard,
or method of administration discriminates. All Grievances must be signed
by the Grievant and must outline the Grievant’s allegations in as much detail
as possible.

B. Grievant: Any member of the public who submits a Grievance.

C. Grievance Officer: The assigned investigator of the UIC Office for
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D. Appeals Officer: The Associate Chancellor for Access and Equity or
his/her designee.

E. Days: Any reference to “days” herein shall refer to business days
(excluding weekends and federal holidays).

F. Record: The complete record of a Grievance will consist of the original
Grievance and any supporting information or documentation submitted
with that Grievance, the Grievance Officer’s findings, the Appeal (if
any) and any additional information or documentation submitted with
the Appeal, the Appeal Officer’s findings, and any communications and
notices relative to the Grievance. The Record will be maintained for at
least five (5) years following the final decision.

IV. Grievance Process
Filing of the Grievance: The Grievant must file his/her Grievance
with the Grievance Officer no later than ten (10) days after he/she
becomes aware of the offending activity, policy, standard or method of
administration.

Investigation: The Grievance Officer shall conduct an appropriate
investigation of the issues raised in the Grievance. The Grievant shall
be given an opportunity to submit any relevant evidence he/she may
to support the Grievance. Within fourteen days (14) of submission
of the Grievance, the Grievance Officer shall issue his/her findings.
In the event the Grievance Officer finds evidence of discrimination in
the activity, policy, standard or method of administration, he/she shall
make recommendations for change(s) and shall coordinate the efforts
for change(s) with the department/unit/college whose activity, policy,
standard or method of administration is at issue. Furthermore, in the
event that the individual was adversely affected by a decision made
pursuant to a discriminatory process, policy, activity, standard or method
of administration, the individual will be given the opportunity for the
decision to be reconsidered according to the revised process, policy,
etc. In those cases where the Grievance Officer finds no evidence of
discrimination, he/she shall send written notice of that finding to the
Grievant within that 14-day time period. Said notice shall inform the
Grievant of his/her right to appeal the finding to the Appeals Officer within
five (5) days of receipt of the notice.

Appeal: An appeal of the Grievance Officer’s findings must be in writing
and must state the basis for the appeal, providing any additional evidence
or information that may support the Grievant’s claim of discrimination.
The Appeals Officer shall review the Grievance Officer’s record and any
information/evidence submitted with the Appeal and shall issue findings
within ten (10) days of receipt of the appeal. In the event the Appeals
Officer finds evidence of discrimination in the activity, policy, standard,
or method of administration, he/she shall make recommendations for
changes. In those cases where the Appeals Officer finds no evidence of
discrimination, he/she shall send written notice of that finding to the
Grievant within that 10-day time period. There shall be no further levels of
review or appeal beyond the Appeals Officer.

Deviation from the Process: Upon proof of extenuating circumstances,
the Chancellor and only the Chancellor may approve a deviation from
these procedures (e.g., extension of a deadline).

Effective date of policy is September 1, 2005.