Vergil Course Search
Mailman School of Public Health

The [Vergil Course Search](#) allows students and school community members to find all current and active courses for past and upcoming semesters.

Vergil offers a variety of filters and in-directory tools to help users navigate and locate their preferred courses.
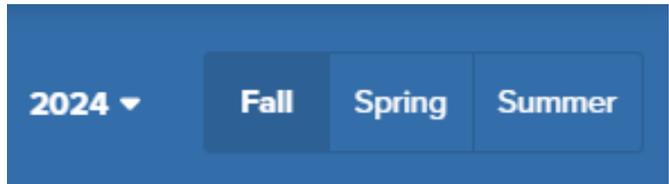
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Locating Mailman School courses

Once logged in with a UNI account, Vergil (https://vergil.columbia.edu/vergil/) will prompt a course search for the most current semester. To change the semester you are viewing, select the year and semester on the upper right-hand side of the screen.

To narrow your search to Mailman courses only, type or search for *The Joseph L. Mailman School of Public Health* in the "School(s)" field.

Vergil will then populate all activated courses for the selected semester.

One filter, "Only show courses with sections", will automatically populate – this filter must remain to view active courses.

Now, you can specify your search further by using the "Departments", "Subjects", or "Subterms" fields. (Something to note: typically, Mailman School courses are more readily found by using "Subjects" rather than "Departments")

Select "Search" to view your filtered search results.

Widely used subject codes

Pictured are some of the most widely used "Subjects" codes for Mailman School courses. To view a full school course listing, leave the "Subjects" code blank and enter *The Joseph L. Mailman School of Public Health* in the "School(s)" field.

Keywords
Course Title or Keyword

School(s)
Search for schools

Department(s)
Search for departments

Subject(s)
BIST - BIOSTATISTICS ⊗
EHSC - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES ⊗
EPID - EPIDEMIOLOGY ⊗
HPMN - HEALTH POLICY & MANAGEMENT ⊗
POPF - POPULATION & FAMILY HEALTH ⊗
PUBH - PUBLIC HEALTH ⊗
SOSC - SOCIOMEDICAL SCIENCES ⊗
Search for subjects

Subterm(s)

Common "Subjects"

Biostatistics	BIST
Environmental Health Sciences	EHSC
Epidemiology	EPID
Health Policy and Management	HPMN
Population and Family Health	POPF
Sociomedical Sciences	SOSC
Public Health	PUBH

Course search filters

Filtering

Vergil allows users to further narrow their search using any of these additional filters:

- Keywords (can look up a course by title or course code)
- Call number (a course's unique ID number, primarily used for class registration)
- Instructor
- Day
- Time
- Credits
- Course level (typically, Mailman School course levels are denoted as either 6000, 8000, or 9000)
- Method of instruction (listed as either hybrid, in-person, or on-line only)

Select "Reset" or "Search" to delete any previously selected filters, or search for the filters of interest.

Note: Vergil will default to showing only 10 courses per page. To view more courses at a quicker glance, scroll down and select more "Items per page" using the drop-down menu.

Course details

What's available

The below screenshot samples the course details provided once you input your search. Once your search results are populated, to view additional details you must click or select the class you'd like to view.

This will make available all relevant course details, including course description, the section code, title, call number, class type, instructor, meeting times, classroom assignment, method of instruction, grading mode, credit amount, and enrollment.

For some courses the "Notes" section may include details related to permissions, priorities, and/or meeting exceptions (please note it is limited to 150 characters).

Multiple sections

Courses with more than one section can be viewed under the same course number. Section details can be further expanded by clicking the specific section (such as "001" or "002").

Associated courses

Vergil allows users to review any associated courses, such as pre-requisites and co-requisites. You can also select each noted course to see further information such as credits and descriptions.

Class rules and "Open to"

To view class rules (who is permitted to register for the class), select "Open to". Importantly, Vergil only lists which schools the class is open to and hides specific programs. Most commonly, Mailman School courses are open to Mailman School PhD programs (BIST, EHSC, EPID, and SOSC) through the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, and all other Mailman School students. Certain exceptions are made on an individual program basis depending on details provided by academic departments. If students have permission to enroll in a course, they may be able to register for them or add themselves to the waitlist. If they experience restricted access, it is likely because the select course is not available to them.

Meetings and room assignments for select dates

Day, time, location, and instructor information are available under course details. Select dates and room location exceptions may also be communicated using the "Notes" section for further clarification.

Select meeting dates

Select dates can be communicated using meeting patterns (see image to the right).

Room assignments

Room assignments are located below the meeting times. For now, only one room or commonly joined rooms (ARB 532A/B, VEC joining rooms, etc.) can be represented here. Classes with multiple rooms for breakout sessions will be provided to academic departments directly and communicated to students by the department or faculty.
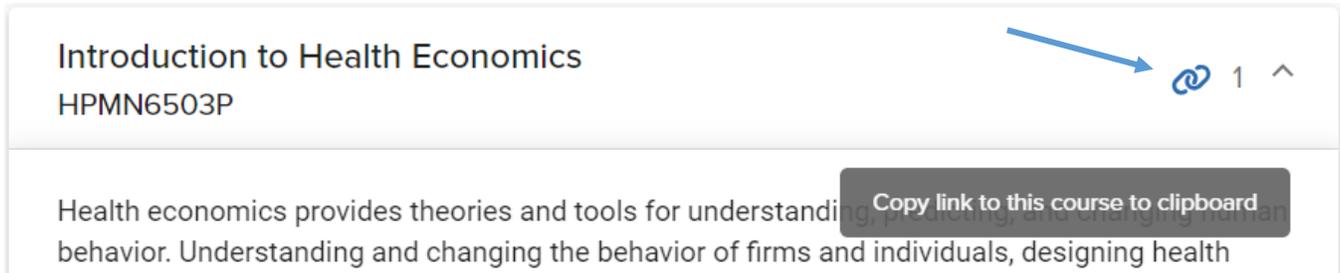
Section	Title	Call Number	Class Type	Day, Time, Location & Instructor
∧ 001	Current Work in Injury Control and Prevention Seminar	15693	LECTURE	**Mo** 1:00pm - 2:20pm 322 HAMMER HLTH SCIENCES CENTER Mielenz, Thelma (tjm2141) 9/22/24 – 9/28/24 **Mo** 1:00pm - 2:20pm 322 HAMMER HLTH SCIENCES CENTER 10/20/24 – 10/26/24 **Mo** 1:00pm - 2:20pm 322 HAMMER HLTH SCIENCES CENTER 11/17/24 – 11/23/24 **Mo** 1:00pm - 2:20pm 322 HAMMER HLTH SCIENCES CENTER 12/1/24 – 12/7/24

Additional features

Sharing searches and linking courses

To share your Vergil Course Search results, copy and paste the URL directly from your browser. This copied URL will maintain any filters used in your search.

To share a specific course, hover over the section code and copy to your clipboard – this will only send course information related to that specific course.

Doctoral registration

Doctoral students – DrPH and PhD – are expected to maintain continuous enrollment until their expected graduation. Information on the continuous registration policy can be found in the Student Handbook. For helpful information on RESI and MTFC courses, visit the GSAS website.

PhD candidates continue their registration by enrolling in either a Residency Unit, Matriculation and Facilities, or an Extended Residency.

- To find call numbers for Matriculation and Facilities, users should search for *MTFC – Matriculation and Facilities* using the "Subject(s)" filter. Course information will include:
  - o Title: F/T Matriculation Health Sciences
  - o Course Number: MTFC0003G
- To find call numbers for Residency Units and Extended Residency, users should search for *RESI – Residence Unit* using the "Subject(s)" filter. Course information will include:
  - o Title: 1-RESIDENCE UNIT-HLTH SCIENCE
  - o Course Number: RESI0006G

DrPH Candidates continue their registration by enrolling in coursework or through Doctoral Research Registration. For helpful information on RSRH courses, visit the Registration page on the Mailman School website.

- To find call numbers for Doctoral Research Registration, users should search for RSRH – Research using the "Subject(s)" filter. Course information will include:
  - o Title: Doctoral Continuous Registration
  - o Course Number: RSRH0001P or RSRH0003P or RSRH0004P

Questions?

Questions regarding the Vergil Course Search can be directed to the Enrollment Services team at msph-enrollment@cumc.columbia.edu.