

## Things You Need to Know for Spring Semester 2024

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In this video, we will give you an overview of the things you need to know about Spring Semester 2024.



In this semester's update, we will cover:

- The Spring 2024 registration, drop and deferral dates
- 2024 MTC-B Ministerial Intensive
- Writing for Social Media – ENGL 1275
- *NEW* Group Study options and courses
- Mercury Writers' Guild Update

You can follow along with this video using the **Spring Semester 2024 Update PDF** located below this video or in the **Program Information folder** on the **SU Student Portal Dashboard**.

## SPRING 2024 REGISTRATION:

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Spring 2024 Registration	
Classes	When to Register
Session 1 and 3-credit classes	November 20 to December 22
Late Registration (Session 1 and 3-credit classes)	December 23 to December 29
Session 2 classes	January 23 to February 26

**Registration for Spring Semester 2024 Session 1, 2-credit and 3-credit classes will take place November 20 through December 22.** That may sound like a long time, but we encourage you to register early and buy your textbooks to avoid late fees and not having your textbooks by the time classes start. Late registration closes on December 29 and Spring Semester classes begin on January 9, 2024. Session 2 registration opens on January 23.

**Register early!** And remember to purchase your textbooks so you'll have them when classes start on January 10.

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Deferring Courses Policy	
Week of Class	Options
<b>During Week 1</b>	Drop classes <i>No financial/transcript penalties</i>
<b>Weeks 2-4</b>	Defer classes <i>\$50 deferral fee, no transcript penalty</i>
<b>Weeks 5-8/17</b>	Two Options: 1) Incomplete – <i>Can petition under certain circumstances</i> 2) Withdrawal – <i>Forfeit tuition/fees, permanent "W" on transcript</i>

**As a reminder, you can DROP a class without penalty during Week 1 of the class.** After the first week, there are financial and/or transcript penalties for deferring or withdrawing from a class. Should you need to leave a class part way through the semester, your options depend on how far into the class you are.

**During Weeks 2-4, you can DEFER your class,** meaning that you will be charged a \$50 deferral fee, but your tuition and fees for the class will be credited to your account and you will not see the class appear on your transcript for that semester.

**If you wait until Week 5 to leave a class, you can petition for an INCOMPLETE or WITHDRAW from the class.** In order to petition for an Incomplete, a student must have completed at least 75 percent of their work for the class and demonstrate a hardship that prevents the completion of the class on time.

Instructors will review petitions on a case-by-case basis. If granted, the student receives a new date to complete the remaining portion of his or her class work.

**If you are not eligible for an Incomplete, or your petition is denied, you can Withdraw from the class, receive a “W” on your transcript and re-take the class in a future semester, forfeiting your tuition and fees for the class.**

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Spring 2024 Drop, Deferral and I/W Periods		
Week of Class	Session 1, 2- and 3-credit classes	Session 2 classes
Week 1: <i>Drop Period</i>	Jan. 9 to Jan. 15	Mar. 12 to Mar. 18
Weeks 2-4: <i>Deferral Period</i>	Jan. 16 – Feb. 5	Mar. 19 to Apr. 8
Weeks 5-8/17: <i>I/W Period</i>	Begins Feb. 6	Begins April 9

**This chart shows these important dates for Spring Semester 2024.** As you can see, **the dates for each period depend on when the class begins.** It is important to be mindful of these dates as you begin your courses. **Should you need to drop, defer or withdraw from a course, contact the Registrar immediately for assistance** so that you don’t miss an important timeline.

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Spring Semester 2024	
January 9 – May 6, 2024	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Session 1: January 9 – March 4</li><li>• Spring Break Week: March 5 – 13</li><li>• Session 2: March 12 – May 6</li></ul>	

**Spring Semester 2024 begins on January 9 and runs through May 6.** Our Spring Break Week is scheduled for March 5 through March 13 and Session 2 will begin on March 12.

## SPRING 2024 COURSE OFFERINGS:

And here's a look at the Spring Semester 2024 Course Offerings. We're excited to offer ENGL 1275 Writing for Social Media (1 credit) for students interested in learning how to write for social media outreach to share the teachings of the ascended masters. I'll be sharing more about this course in a moment.

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	Cr	SESSION 1 January 9 – March 4	SPRING BREAK March 5-11	SESSION 2 March 12 – May 6
ENGL 1275	Writing for Social Media	1			
LEAD 2105	Practical Leadership Skills 2	1			
RELS 1080	Understanding the Teachings of the Ascended Masters	3			
MINS 1110	Homiletics 1	1			
MINS 1000	Mentoring Program	0			
MINS 2000	Mentoring Program	0			
MINS 2650	MTC-B Ministerial Intensive	1		March 5-8	
MINS 2380	The Universal Principles of Spiritual Community	1			(TBD)
MINS 2603	Foundations of Family Ministry	1			
MINS 3280	A Spiritual Perspective on the Issues of Our Time	1			
RELS 1180	The Science of the Spoken Word	1			
SOCW 2603	Basics of Senior Care	1			

SU reserves the right to cancel a class if the number of students enrolling is insufficient.

## MTC-B MINISTERIAL INTENSIVE UPDATE



**MTC-B Students – *plan ahead for 2024!***

- MINS 2650: *The Aquarian-Age Minister* will be held March 5-8, 2024, at the Inner Retreat in Corwin Springs, Montana.
- Prerequisites: MINS 2110, PSYS 2201, MINS 2610, MINS 2780, MINS 2770, and MINS 3280.


MTC-B ministerial studies students are encouraged to plan ahead to attend the **MTC-B Intensive: The Aquarian-Age Minister** which will be offered March 5-8, 2024 at the Inner Retreat in Corwin Springs, Montana.

Prerequisites include Homiletics 2, Pastoral Care, CUT Sacraments and Holy Orders, Spiritual Psychology 2, The Holy Spirit: Fire from Heaven, and A Spiritual Perspective on the Issues of Our Time. Students may be enrolled in a prerequisite during spring semester 2024 to attend (not including MINS 2110 or MINS 2780). MINS 2110 Homiletics 2 and MINS 2780 CUT Sacraments and Holy Orders must be completed prior to attending the intensive. Attendance at the MINS 2650 ministerial intensive is required to graduate from the MTC-B program. Further details and information will be sent to the MTC-B students.

## WRITING FOR SOCIAL MEDIA – ENGL 1275

Are you interested in learning how to write for social media to share the teachings of the ascended masters? SU is offering ENGL 1275 Writing for Social Media during Spring Semester 2024. This one-credit session 1 course will be held January 9 to March 4. Students will learn social media navigation and how to create quality platform-specific content to engage readers with the teachings of the ascended masters on social media.

This course includes detailed exercises to help students get comfortable with writing for the web. This is a great course for people who are new to social media, or those looking to hone their social media writing skills.

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**Writing for Social Media – January 2024**

- ENGL 1275 Writing for Social Media will be held during Session 1, Jan. 9 to March 4.
- Learn social media navigation.
- Practice creating quality platform-specific content.
- Study how to engage readers with the teachings of the ascended masters on social media.

## NEW GROUP STUDY OPTIONS AND COURSES

Did you know that Summit University offers group study options of self-study courses and group audits of academic courses? Group study can be a great way to deepen your understanding of the teachings while connecting with others in community.

*Looking for ideas for group study?* Our most recent SU online study group chose *Alchemy 1: The Secrets of Precipitation*. When asked why the group chose this course, they replied, “The group wanted an in-depth study and the course was highly recommended by others.”


Groups that enroll in the *Alchemy 1: The Secrets of Precipitation* self-study course use one group login. Students pay a reduced tuition of \$150 with a 6-month access to complete the course. The group facilitator arranges for registration and sets the study schedule with the group.

Interested in learning more about group study options? Contact the SU Registrar at [Registrar@summituniversity.org](mailto:Registrar@summituniversity.org).

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NEW Group Self-Study Course Options

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Alchemy 1:  
The Secrets of Precipitation  
ADEPTSHIP COURSE

Alchemy 1: The  
Secrets of  
Precipitation

- 6 recorded webinars, each about 80 minutes
- Meditations, worksheets and quizzes
- Group facilitator
- One login/50% discount
- 6 months course access

## ***ANNOUNCING A NEW GROUP SELF-STUDY COURSE***

SU is excited to share that a *NEW* Self-Study course is being released this November that is perfect for seeker-level Group Study! “Experience the Light Within” has 6 recorded webinars, each about 80 minutes, along with additional teachings from Elizabeth Clare Prophet. Students will love the chakra meditations and teachings for mastery of the 7 Color Rays. Included in the course are worksheets and quizzes for each unit.

The course is already open for pre-registration and will be available on November 27. Contact the SU Registrar if you are interested in facilitating a group study of this course.

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Announcing a NEW Group Self-Study Course

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Experience the Light Within  
SELF-STUDY COURSE

META 0801: Experience  
the Light Within

- 6 recorded webinars, each about 80 minutes
- Chakra meditations & teachings for mastery of the 7 color rays
- Worksheets for each chakra
- 3 months course access
- Coming soon ...



## ***INTERESTED IN GROUP STUDY OPTIONS AND COURSES?***

For more information on group study options and courses, please go to the SU website at [www.SummitUniversity.org](http://www.SummitUniversity.org) and click on “Group Options” at the top for more information.

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*Interested in Group Study?*

- Go to [COURSES | Summit University](#) to explore available Self-Study courses.
- Read the section on group courses: [GROUP OPTIONS | Summit University](#)
- Contact the SU Registrar: [Registrar@summituniversity.org](mailto:Registrar@summituniversity.org) for more information.

## **THE CALL FROM ASCENDED MASTER HERMES TO SET FORTH THE MESSAGE!**

Hopefully by now you’ve heard about the Mercury Writers’ Guild and the dispensation from the ascended master Hermes for sponsorship. In a dictation published in *Pearls of Wisdom*, vol. 6, no. 42, he says:

*Set forth the message! Set forth the platform for its delivery in your area of expertise! And if you think you have no expertise, go out and get it, and study and prove yourself to be one who will make that statement and make that name, not only for yourself but for God and all the ascending ones. I AM Hermes and I say to you: I shall overshadow any of you, each and every one of you, who will learn these disciplines.”*

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— Hermes Trismegistus, *Pearls of Wisdom*® Vol. 36, No. 42

You can access the website at <https://mercurywritersguild.com>. You’re invited to read interesting articles posted on the Writers’ Guild blog and sign up for the monthly Mercury Writers’ Guild email.

## MERCURY WRITERS GUILD 2023 MEETING TOPICS AND VIDEO REPLAYS

In the field of publishing and social media, there is always something new to learn and share to help others. Here are a few of our 2023 Mercury Writers' Guild meeting topics and video replays that are available to members on the Mercury Writers' Guild website:

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**Mercury Writers' Guild Update**

*We've been busy at the Guild!* Here are some 2023 meeting topics and video replays:

- 2/16/23 *SEO Presentation* (Carla Groenewegen)
- 3/16/23 *Reach Children with Your Writing* (Janet Nordemann)
- 4/20/23 *SEO II* (Carla Groenewegen)
- 8/17/23 *Fulfilling Your Goals* (Valerie McBride)
- 9/21/23 *Tips for Getting Your Work Published* (Kirsten Moody)
- 10/19/23 *Writing with AI: Friend or Foe* (Carla Groenewegen)
- 11/16/23 *TSL Copyright Permission and Trademarks* (Gregory Bodwell and Jane Hohmann)

## INTERESTED IN JOINING THE GUILD COMMUNITY?

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***Interested in Joining the Guild?***

- Go to [www.mercurywritersguild.com](http://www.mercurywritersguild.com) and read the section on "How to join our Guild Community."
- Joining is easy. Please submit 3 writing samples that are at least 300 words to [writing@summituniversity.org](mailto:writing@summituniversity.org). Detailed instructions are posted on the website.

*Membership in the Guild is free!* Once you're joined you have access to the member area on the website with resources and video replays of monthly Guild meetings. Guild meetings are informative and interactive with author and member experts, content developer interviews and Guild member discussions.

To join the Mercury Writers' Guild, please go to <https://mercurywritersguild.com>. Scroll down to the "Community" section and read the instructions on "How to join our Guild community." If you have not taken the SU course ENGL 1281: Writers' Guild Training – Fundamentals, you'll be asked to submit 3 writing samples to the SU inbox at: [writing@summituniversity.org](mailto:writing@summituniversity.org).

Your samples may be older pieces or something you wrote specifically for your application to the Guild. If your work is published, you are welcome to send us a copy of the publication. A review committee will read your writing samples. Members will be accepted based on their writing abilities.



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And that's what you need to know about Spring Semester 2024!



From all of us at Summit University, we wish you a joyous Christmas season and a victorious New Year 2024. *Always Victory! The SU Team*