

# Your D-Plan

HOW WILL YOU ARRANGE YOUR REMAINING TERMS AT DARTMOUTH?

## Definition of "D-Plan" = A Student's Enrollment Pattern

- Terms enrolled on campus
- Term(s) enrolled off campus
- Leave terms

Your D-Plan is an agreement with the College and confirmation of where you intend to be each term.

It is important that your enrollment pattern accurately reflects your current plans at least two terms in advance.

## Deadline

for submitting your D-Plan is  
**4:00 p.m. on  
April 14, 2022.**

**Begin Thinking Now** about your D-Plan and make appointments to meet with your Undergraduate Dean and/or Faculty Advisor well in advance of the deadline.

## Details:

- The D-Plan you submit will consist of twelve "R" terms and three "L" terms.
- You may have at the most, seven fall or spring "R" terms, therefore your plan will include at least one "L" term in the fall or spring of sophomore, junior, or senior year.
- You are expected to be in residence (R) during the summer term that immediately follows your sophomore year. You may substitute any other summer term in residence instead of sophomore summer.

## Factors to Consider When Exploring D-Plan Options:

- Intended major and/or minor
- Courses that are only offered in specific terms
- Off-campus programs of interest
- Internships or research opportunities
- Extracurricular activities
- Preferred spacing of vacations
- Family resources
- Students typically graduate in twelve terms.

**Your D-Plan should be the product of careful thinking and reflection: use this process to clarify your goals and the steps you will take to achieve them.**

The only two letters you need to know are "R" and "L". BUT WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

## R = Residence

[In residence taking courses or studying for Dartmouth credit on an off-campus or exchange program]

You are **REQUIRED** to be "IN RESIDENCE" for one summer term\* **AND** all three terms of your first year as well as two terms of your senior year.

As you think about which other RESIDENCE terms to select, you will want to consider both academic and non-academic factors.

When you submit your D-Plan choices in April, the Registrar will ask you to enter "R" for any term you are enrolled and taking classes, participating in a Dartmouth Off-Campus Program ("O"), or on a Dartmouth Exchange Program ("X").

\* See the ORC for information regarding the "sophomore summer" requirement.

## L = Leave

[Away from campus for employment, time off, internship, transfer term]

On the D-Plan you submit, you are **REQUIRED** to take **THREE** leave terms. **ONE** leave term must be in the **FALL** or **SPRING** of either sophomore, junior, or senior year.

Please note: While Dartmouth does not give academic credit for internships, an internship during a leave term can help you gain skills and experience, as well as explore careers.

See <https://students.dartmouth.edu/undergraduate-deans/students/academic-advising/d-plan> for more information.

# R.L.O.X.T. ■ WHAT DO THESE LETTERS REPRESENT?

# R

**“In Residence”**  
[In residence taking courses, or studying for Dartmouth credit on an off-campus or exchange program]

When you submit your D-Plan, if you plan to take an “O” (Off-Campus Program) term and/or an “X” (Dartmouth Exchange Program) term, enter them as “R” terms. Once your “O” and “X” programs have been approved, the Registrar will update your D-Plan with those designations.

**O = “Off-Campus Program”** [Dartmouth off-campus, credit-carrying programs: LSA, LSA+, FSP]

- The “OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAM TERM” represents one of Dartmouth’s unique opportunities; during their first year, students should think about the possibilities for their off-campus program terms.
- **Once students have completed their first-year requirements**, they may participate in a Dartmouth-sponsored OFF-CAMPUS program in the United States or abroad and earn a term of academic credit.
- If you qualify for financial aid, that aid can be applied to an OFF-CAMPUS program.
- **Please be advised: you are limited to participating in THREE (3) OFF-CAMPUS programs.**
- For more information, see the **Frank J. Guarini Institute website**: <https://guarini.dartmouth.edu/>.

**X = “Exchange”** [academic term on a Dartmouth Exchange Program]

Dartmouth offers special “Exchange Programs” at 30 institutions worldwide. For more information contact:

- **The Frank J. Guarini Institute for International Education** → <https://guarini.dartmouth.edu/> → 603.646.1202 → 44 North College Street;
- **Office of the Registrar** → [www.dartmouth.edu/reg/enrollment/studyaway/index.html](http://www.dartmouth.edu/reg/enrollment/studyaway/index.html) → 603.646.2246 → 105 McNutt.
- **Be advised:** Exchange Credit **REQUIRES** prior approval from the Dartmouth academic department/program and the Registrar.

# L

**“Leave”**  
[Away from campus for employment, time off, internship, or transfer term]

When you submit your D-Plan, you will list a “T” term (Transfer) as an “L” term, as well as those terms on “Leave,” when you are away from campus for employment, internship, or time off.

**REMINDER** → On the D-Plan you submit, you are required to take **THREE** leave terms. On **ONE** of your submitted D-Plans, **ONE** leave term must be in the **FALL or SPRING** of either **sophomore, junior, or senior** year.

**T = “Transfer”** [Transfer credits from another institution]

It is possible to enroll in courses at another accredited four-year liberal arts institution for Dartmouth credit.

- **MUST READ** information from the **Office of the Registrar** → [www.dartmouth.edu/reg/enrollment/studyaway/index.html](http://www.dartmouth.edu/reg/enrollment/studyaway/index.html)
- See your Undergraduate Dean about how your **Transfer Credit** plans **align with your academic goals and program**.
- **Be advised:** Transfer Credit **REQUIRES** review and approval by a sub-committee of the Committee on Instruction, the Registrar, and the Departments/Programs accepting transfer of the courses.

Check out the sample D-Plan below.

↕↕ (Bold = required RESIDENCE terms) ↕↕

Year	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
2020-22	<b>R (in residence)</b>	<b>R (in residence)</b>	<b>R (in residence)</b>	L (leave)
2022-23	R (in residence)	R (off-campus program “O”)	R (in residence)	<b>R (in residence)</b>
2023-24	L (leave)	R (exchange program “X”)	R (in residence)	L (leave)
2024-25	R (in residence)	R (in residence)	R (in residence)	

## Essential Resources for Planning

- **Your Undergraduate Dean** → [undergraduate.deans.office@dartmouth.edu](mailto:undergraduate.deans.office@dartmouth.edu), 603.646.2243, Carson Suite 125: Student Academic Support Services Center
- **Your Faculty Advisor**
- **Health Professions Program/Pre-Health Advising** → [www.dartmouth.edu/prehealth/](http://www.dartmouth.edu/prehealth/), Room 103, Parker House
- **Assistant AD for DP2/Academics (for student-athletes)** → <https://dartmouthsports.com/sports/peakperformance>
- **Office of the Registrar** → [www.dartmouth.edu/reg/](http://www.dartmouth.edu/reg/), 603.646.2246, 105 McNutt
- Your **DartWorks Degree Audit** in DartHub will help you track progress towards completing degree requirements.