



**UT Health Science Center:  
AA105-H Course Numbering Policy – Academic Affairs**

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## **POLICY**

The University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC) relies on the colleges and academic programs to determine the appropriate nomenclature for courses. The program faculty are best positioned to identify course numbers based on the level of the student and the academic curriculum. Changes in the course numbering system for an individual program are the responsibility of the faculty in consultation with the Registrar.

## **PROCEDURE**

UTHSC courses are identified by an alphabetic subject area code (e.g., PHAR = Pharmacology) called the course code and a numeric code (e.g., 605) called the course number. The alphabetic course code identifies the subject area or college. A program may use several alphabetic codes for courses in the curriculum. For example, College of Dentistry may use the code ORTH for Orthodontics and DPHY for Physiology/Dental. The numeric code typically identifies the course level.

The course numbering systems for each College and/or program are listed below:

### **College of Dentistry**

#### **DOCTOR OF DENTAL SCIENCE**

100 Level: D1 Courses  
 200 Level: D2 Courses  
 300 Level: D3 Courses  
 400 Level: D4 Courses  
 500+ Levels: Elective Courses

#### **DENTAL HYGIENE**

400 Level: DH1 Courses  
 500 Level: DH2 Courses

## **College of Graduate Health Sciences**

600 Level:	Courses in Professional Colleges
700 Level:	Certificate or Non-Degree Courses
800 Level:	Master's or Doctoral Courses
900 Level:	Doctoral courses

## **College of Health Professions**

### **AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH PATHOLOGY PROGRAM**

300 Level:	Undergrad & First Year MS SLP Courses
400 Level:	Undergrad & First Year MS SLP Courses
500 Level:	Second & Third Year MS SLP & AuD Courses
600 Level:	AuD/PhD Courses primarily
900 Level:	PhD Courses

### **HIIM PROGRAM**

500 Level	Entry-level (only) Courses
600 Level:	Entry-level and Post-Graduate Courses

### **MLS PROGRAM**

400 Level:	First Year Bachelor of Science Courses
500 Level:	Second Year Bachelor of Science Courses
600 Level:	First Year Master of Science Courses
700 Level:	Second Year Master of Science Courses

### **MASTER OF CYTOPATHOLOGY PRACTICE PROGRAM**

400 Level:	First Year Courses
500 Level:	Second Year Courses

### **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROGRAM**

400 Level:	First Term Courses
500 Level:	Second Term Courses
600 Level:	Third Term Courses
700 Level:	II FW Courses

### **PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM**

500 Level:	First Year Courses
600 Level:	Second Year Courses
700 Level:	Third Year Courses
800 and 900 Levels:	Post-Professional Courses

## College of Medicine

### **DOCTOR OF MEDICINE PROGRAM**

10000 Level:	M1 Courses
20000 Level:	M2 Courses
30000 Level:	M3 or M4 Required Clerkship Courses
40000 Level:	Elective Courses

### **PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM**

500 Level:	Preclinical Courses
600 Level:	Clinical Courses

## College of Nursing

400 Level:	BSN Courses
500 Level:	Certificate Courses
600, 700, 800 & 900 Levels:	DNP Courses

## College of Pharmacy

1000 Level:	P1 Courses
2000 Level:	P2 Courses
3000 Level:	P3 Courses
4000 Level:	P3-P4 Courses or experiential courses (IPPE and APPE)
5000 level:	Electives

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