How to Petition for a Gen Ed Course Despite an Immunization Hold

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Good news! Even if you have an immunization hold on your account, you can still petition for a Gen Ed course and participate in the coordinated, ranked-choice Gen Ed lottery. Here’s a how-to:

1. If you have an immunization hold, you’ll see a red exclamation point in your Crimson Cart that identifies the hold (see below):

   ![Crimson Cart](image1)

2. But as you’ll see below, the course with a cap (in this case, GENED 1004) doesn’t just note the hold – it clarifies that permission to enroll in the class is required. The “Hold on record” just means that you’re not able to complete enrollment at this time – **not** that you can’t petition or apply for courses.

   ![Crimson Cart](image2)

3. **To proceed, validate your Crimson Cart** (look for the “Enroll/Validate/Delete” red button at the bottom of their Crimson Cart and click it).

   ![Validate Crimson Cart](image3)

4. When the Crimson Cart is validated, it should pop up with a “Submit” button next to the course under the “Permission” column (as you can see above). Click the “Submit” button to submit a petition. (Note that a blank box with a cursor will pop up; **you don’t need to put anything in the box at all**, as it doesn’t make a difference in the lottery.)

5. Once the petition is submitted, you should be eligible for the lottery as usual and should follow all the steps for the lottery.

   Questions? Write **gend_enrollment@fas.harvard.edu**.