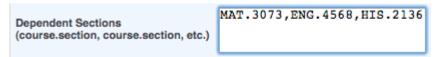
## How it Works: Dependent Sections

The dependent sections function is an optional feature on the Edit Sections page. Dependent sections are used to associate one section with another, requiring students to enroll in both; i.e. one section is "dependent" on the other. For example, students may be required to enroll in Reading Comprehension if they are enrolled in Writing Comprehension. Enter dependent sections in the course.section format, comma separated.

The function is often used by elementary schools when students take a set of classes. If a student is enrolled in 1 of a set of 5 classes, the administrator can enter the 4 additional sections in the dependent sections field, so that when the student is registered for the first class, he or she is also registered for the other classes. If a dependent section conflicts with another class, manually drop the student from the class and add him or her to another section.

This function does not affect prerequisites or graduation requirements.



## Note:

When creating dependent sections, if the sections are copied from a Microsoft Office product, such as Word, the sections will not populate. This issue is caused by formatting within Microsoft Office products that is not visible, but can impact objects that read plain text.

**Solution:** Use a "plain text editor" to copy and paste the information, rather than Microsoft Word or Excel. The alternative solution is to create the dependent sections by manually entering them.