# HOW TO SEARCH FOR COURSES IN YCS

There are multiple ways to search for courses in Yale Course Search:

- Basic Search
- Advanced Search, which includes searching by school, department, meeting time, etc
- · Searching by department attributes

#### BASIC SEARCH OPTIONS

- Keyword box The search will look for the keyword you enter in the keyword field in course codes, course titles, and course descriptions. You can also search by instructor name.
- Term/year menu Select the desired term (Fall, Spring, Summer) and year. Available options include the current academic year and up to ten years in the past.
- Search button Perform the search with the chosen criteria.

Note: The Search button always remains visible at the top, even while scrolling down.

### Perform a Basic Search

- 1. Enter a search keyword.
- 2. Select a term/year from the menu.
- 3. Click Search. Results appear in a new section.
- 4. To clear the search results and original search criteria, click Reset Search.

#### ADVANCED SEARCH OPTIONS

Multiple boxes and menus allow searching with greater detail. The advanced search uses the basic search boxes as a starting point, and then applies the selected advanced options to filter the results.

# Perform an Advanced Search

- 1. Enter criteria in the basic search boxes.
- 2. Enter/select the desired combination of keywords and options in the advanced search section.
- 3. Click the Search button.
  - Click the Reset Search link at the top of the search results to clear all keywords, options, filters, and search results.
  - Try searching by clearing the Keyword field and only use the advanced options to broaden the search results.

# PERFORM A SEARCH WITH "ANY COURSE INFORMATION ATTRIBUTES"

**Any Course Attributes** feature the opportunity to search by school, departmental, and certificate attributes. Attributes are used to attach a searchable label of sorts, to a course.

Course attributes are used by departments to:

- indicate to students which courses, primary in a different department, count toward their degree requirements
- indicate courses that count toward a concentration or area of study within their own department

Course attributes are used by Degree Audit to:

· track fulfillment of major, concentration, and certificate requirements

Course attributes are used by Certificates to:

· label courses that count toward certain certificate requirements

# Perform an Advanced Search with Attributes

- 1. Enter/select the desired combination of keywords and options criteria in the basic and/or advanced search boxes.
- 2. Scroll through the alphabetical list of attributes in "Any Course Information Attribute."
- 3. Click on the attribute that applies to the type of course you are looking for.
- 4. Click the Search bar. It will open a list of courses that fulfill all your criteria indicated in the search
- 5. Be sure to "Reset" after every search.