Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

I would like to take (Math 100/190/150/151/154/157) but I am unable to register in this course or not sure if I have the prerequisites. I previously attended high school outside of BC or attended another post-secondary institution before starting at SFU? What can I do?

Please bring or fax a copy of your (high school/college) transcripts to the Mathematics Advisor (SC K10508; fax number: 778.782.4947). Clearly state your name and SFU student number, the course for which you wish permission to register, and include any relevant course outlines that you have for Math 11 or Math 12 equivalent courses you have taken elsewhere. You will be notified by email as to whether you will be given permission to register.

I need to take FAN X99 Foundations of Analytical and Quantitative Reasoning, but I am unable to register. What should I do?

Students requiring assistance to register for FAN X99 should see the Mathematics Advisor during her office hours (SC K10508; math advice@sfu.ca) or contact her for assistance.

I would like to apply to the PDP Program in the Faculty of Education and would like to take Math 190 *Principles of Mathematics for Teachers*, however, I already have credit for a calculus course. What can I do?

If you have completed most of the requirements required for your PDP application as noted under Admissions Criteria, Faculty of Education < http://www.educ.sfu.ca/pdp/admissions/criteria.html>, see the Mathematics Advisor (SC K10508; email: math-advice@sfu.ca) during her advising hours or contact her to seek permission to enroll in Math 190.

I would like to apply to the PDP Program in the Faculty of Education and would like to take Math 190 *Principles of Mathematics for Teachers*, however, my situation is one of the following:

I have not taken a math course in several years;

I do not have the required prerequisite BC Principles of Math 11 (or equivalent) with a grade of at least 68%;

I have been admitted to SFU but do not meet the prerequisites to take a Q (quantitative) course. What can I do?

Students who have been outside the mathematics classroom for at least five years are strongly recommended to take FAN X99 *Foundations of Analytical and Quantitative Reasoning* prior to Math 190.

Students who do not have the required prerequisite BC Principles of Math 11 (or equivalent) with a grade of at least 68% must either pass the Quantitative Placement Test, details available at

http://www.math.sfu.ca/ugrad/qtest/ or complete the course FAN X99 *Foundations of Analytic and Quantitative Reasoning* with a minimum grade of C before you will be permitted to register for Q courses.

I would like to take a non-entry level course for which I do not have the prerequisites. What should I do?

All students requesting permission to take non-entry level courses for which they do not have the prerequisites are required to see the Mathematics Advisor during her office hours (SC K 10508; math_advice@sfu.ca).

I would like to take a non-entry level course for which I am unsure as to whether I have the prerequisites. I transferred from another post-secondary institution. What should I do?

If you wish to apply for transfer credit for the courses you have taken, you must request this from Admissions, Student Services. This process takes time, however, and you may be able to receive permission to register in

advance of receiving credit by bringing us an unofficial copy of your transcript from the sending institution accompanied by any course outline(s) that are relevant to the prerequisites of the course(s) that you wish to take. See the Mathematics Advisor (SC K10508; math_advice@sfu.ca) during her office hours or contact her for assistance.

I would like to check my progress towards graduation. What can I do?

Students who would like to review graduation requirements should see the Mathematics Advisor during her office hours, or by appointment (SC K10508; math_advice@sfu.ca).

How do I apply for a mathematics or applied mathematics major/honors/minor program.

Please see the Mathematics Advisor during her advising hours, or by appointment (SC K10508; math-advice@sfu.ca). CGPA, UDGPA, and subject GPA must be greater than or equal to 2.0 to declare a major and graduate. Note that all Math majors or honors applicants are generally required to complete Math 242 with a minimum grade of C- before their programs can be approved.

I would like to take a Math or MACM (200 – 400 level) course for a third time. What should I do?

All students requesting permission to take a Math (100 – 400 level) or MACM (200 – 400 level) course for the third time are required to meet with the Mathematics Advisor during her advising hours, by appointment only. Contact the advisor at (math_advice@sfu.ca) to arrange an appointment. A completed form Application for Permission to Take a Course for the Third Time is required, accompanied by a copy of the student's advising transcript.

Students requesting permission to take a Calculus I course (Math 150/151/154/157) for the third time are first required to write the Calculus Readiness Test http://www.math.sfu.ca/ugrad/calctest/ prior to meeting with the advisor.

I would like to request permission to register in a course which is a 6^{th} or subsequent duplicate course. What should I do?

Requests for sixth or subsequent duplicates are reviewed by the Faculty where the student's program is administered, e.g. Computing Science majors must apply to the Faculty of Applied Science.

I am a second degree student who would like to enrol in a Math or MACM course on the basis of course work taken in my previous degree, which I feel are equivalent to the prerequisite(s). What should I do? If you wish to have your coursework from a previous degree assessed so that you may be given a registration clearance, you will need to submit transcripts in English from the previous institution accompanied by any course outline(s) or calendar description(s) relevant to the course prerequisites. Students can meet initially with the Mathematics Advisor (SC K10508; math_advice@sfu.ca). You will be notified if a registration clearance will be granted.

I am a second degree student completing a program in another department and I wish to have some of the Math or MACM course requirements for the program in the other department waived. How do I do this?

If you wish to have your courses from a previous degree assessed so that you may have your current program requirements for Math or MACM courses waived, you will need to submit transcripts in English from the previous institution, along with any course outline(s) or calendar description(s) relevant to the course material that you wish us to specify you have already taken.

If it is felt that your previous degree courses are equivalent to your current program requirements for the Math or MACM courses you have specified, "we" can write a note to your department **suggesting** that it waive these Math or MACM course requirements in your current program. **Note** that we can only suggest a waiver; it is up to the home department to actually grant the waiver. Students should contact the Mathematics Advisor to discuss their request (SC K10508; <a href="mathematics-mathema