

STUDENT FAQ'S FOR MATH COREQUISITE COURSES (PHASE II)

Q: What is the purpose of a corequisite course?

A: A corequisite course is a support course attached to some math courses (called target courses). The corequisite course provides support for essential prerequisite skills and the more difficult topics in the target course. The goal of a corequisite course is to provide students just-in-time support to facilitate success in the target course.

Q: Which Math courses have a corequisite support option?

A: Math 51, Math 71, Math 110, Math 130, Math 140, Math 150, Math 160, and Math 180 all have corequisite support options. The corequisite options are Math 51 + Math 5, Math 71+ Math 7, Math 130 + Math 13, Math 140 + Math 14, Math 150 + Math 15, Math 160 + Math 16, and Math 180 + Math 18.

Q: How many units are corequisite courses and how am I graded?

A: Each corequisite course is 2 units. Corequisite courses use a "Pass/No Pass" grading system.

Q: Can I drop a corequisite or target course?

A: Corequisite courses are hard-linked to the target course. This means that if you want to drop a corequisite course, you will also have to drop the target course. Also, if you want to drop a target course, you will have to drop the corequisite course.

Q: If I fail the corequisite course, do I automatically fail the target course? Or, if I fail the target course, do I automatically fail the corequisite course?

A: No. Corequisite courses and target courses are separate courses with separate grades.

Q: What happens if I fail the corequisite course, but pass the target course?

A: You will be eligible for the next level math course.

Q: What happens if I fail both the corequisite course and the target course?

A: You will be eligible to retake the target course and the corequisite course.

Q: What happens if I pass the corequisite course, but fail the target course?

A: You will be eligible to retake the target course, but you won't be able to retake the corequisite course.

Q: Will I have the same instructor for both the target course and the corequisite course?

A: Yes. All students in the target course will also be in the corequisite course taught by the same instructor.

Q: Will I be required to purchase an additional textbook for the corequisite course?

A: No. Just-in-time support materials will be provided.

Q: Will there be separate final exams for the target course and the corequisite course?

A: Yes. Although both courses have final exams, only the target class meets during finals week.

Q: Can I transfer from a traditional course (ex: Math 71) to a corequisite option (ex: Math 71+ Math 7)?

A: Yes, during the first 5 weeks of the semester, you can transfer from a traditional course to a corequisite option. It is preferred that all transfers take place during the first 3 weeks.

Q: I am passing my current math class with a “C” but don’t feel like I understood the material as well as my classmates who are getting an “A” or “B” grade. Should I consider taking my next math class with a corequisite for extra support?

A: Yes. Students who barely pass their current math class are encouraged to take their next math course with corequisite support.

Q: It’s been many years since I have taken an algebra course of any kind. Should I consider enrolling in a course with corequisite support?

A: Yes. Students who have not taken an algebra course recently are encouraged to take their math course with corequisite support.

Q: I have taken the latest AQ and am being told I am eligible to take a transfer-level math class. I am concerned that I may not be ready for a transfer-level math class. Do I have to start with a transfer-level math class?

A: No. You may start at any level you feel comfortable. There are sample problems for each math course on our department website to help you decide what level math course might be right for you.

Q: I just finished taking a math class, but did not receive a passing grade (“C” or better). The material in the class was a bit overwhelming for me. Would a corequisite package be a better option for me at this point?

A: Yes. Now that you’ve seen the material once, it will be more familiar when you retake your math class. A corequisite package would be a much better option as it has the just-in-time support you may need to help you to be successful in your 2nd attempt.