

APPLIED MATHEMATICS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

College of Letters & Science

Mathematics is the study of abstract structures, space, change, and the interrelations of these concepts. It also is the language of the exact sciences.

The Program

After completing basic introductory courses such as calculus and linear algebra, students plan an upper division program in consultation with a faculty advisor. Upper division courses include real analysis, probability, modern algebra, as well as a variety of other courses that allow students to further mathematical knowledge and skills that feature their research or career interests. This individualized program can lead to graduate study in pure or applied mathematics, elementary or secondary level teaching, or to other professional goals. It can also reflect a special interest such as computational and applied mathematics, computer science, or statistics, or may be combined with a major in some other field.

Career Alternatives

A degree in mathematics provides entry to many careers in industry in addition to teaching. For instance, operations research, data analysis, systems analysis, computing, actuarial work, insurance, and financial services are only a few such careers. Mathematics is also a sound basis for graduate work in a variety of fields, such as law, engineering, and economics.

Major Advisors

For a current list of faculty and staff advisors, see Math Department Advising or contact the Student Services office (studentservices@math.ucdavis.edu).

Mathematics Placement Requirement

Students who wish to enroll in MAT 012, MAT 017A, MAT 019A, MAT 021A, MAT 021AH, and MAT 021M must satisfy the mathematics placement requirement by taking an online exam. Students who do not satisfy the requirement will be administratively dropped from these courses. For more information, including preparation tips and how to access the online exam, please see Math Placement Requirement (MPR), well in advance of enrolling.

Department Honors

Students who meet the minimum GPA requirement for honors at graduation from the College of Letters & Science and who complete a senior project as part of MAT 194 or MAT 199 units in consultation with their faculty advisor may also be recommended by the department for graduation with High Honors or Highest Honors. Recommendations will be based on evaluations of students' academic achievements in their major and the quality of their senior project. For complete details, see Honors & Awards (<https://www.math.ucdavis.edu/research/honors/>).

Graduate Study

The Department offers programs of study and research leading to M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Mathematics. Information regarding graduate study may be obtained by consulting Graduate

Information (<https://www.math.ucdavis.edu/grad/>), and by email (studentservices@math.ucdavis.edu).

The major requirements below are in addition to meeting University Requirements (<https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate-education/university-degree-requirements/>) & College Requirements (<https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate-education/college-degree-requirements/>); unless otherwise noted. The minimum number of units required for the Applied Mathematics Bachelor of Science major is 91.

Code	Title	Units
Preparatory Subject Matter		
<i>Calculus</i>		
MAT 021A	Calculus	4
MAT 021B	Calculus	4
MAT 021C	Calculus	4
MAT 021D	Vector Analysis	4
<i>Linear Algebra & Proof-Writing</i>		
Choose one option:		4-8
(a)		
MAT 022A	Linear Algebra	
MAT 108 or MAT 108V	Introduction to Abstract Mathematics	
(b)		
MAT/BIS 027A	Linear Algebra with Applications to Biology	
MAT 108 or MAT 108V	Introduction to Abstract Mathematics	
(c)		
MAT 067	Modern Linear Algebra	
<i>MATLAB</i> ¹		
MAT 022AL	Linear Algebra Computer Laboratory	
Equivalent MATLAB knowledge.		
<i>Differential Equations</i>		
MAT/BIS 027B or MAT 022B	Differential Equations with Applications to Biology Differential Equations	3-4
<i>Programming</i>		
ECS 032A or ECS 032AV	Introduction to Programming	4
ENG 006	Engineering Problem Solving	4
Choose one two-quarter sequence:		8-10
<i>Biological Science</i>		
BIS 002A & BIS 002B	Introduction to Biology: Essentials of Life on Earth and Introduction to Biology: Principles of Ecology & Evolution	
<i>Chemistry</i>		
CHE 002A & CHE 002B	General Chemistry and General Chemistry	
<i>Economics</i>		
ECN 001A or ECN 001AV or ECN 001AY	Principles of Microeconomics Principles of Microeconomics Principles of Microeconomics	
AND		
ECN 001B	Principles of Macroeconomics	

or ECN 001BV	Principles of Macroeconomics		ECS 122A	Algorithm Design & Analysis
Physics			ECS 127	Cryptography
PHY 009A & PHY 009B	Classical Physics and Classical Physics		EME 115	Introduction to Numerical Analysis & Methods
Statistics			ESP 150A	Physical & Chemical Oceanography
STA 032 & STA 100	Gateway to Statistical Data Science and Applied Statistics for Biological Sciences		EVE 102	Population & Quantitative Genetics
or Other applied preparatory courses approved by your advisor.		40-47	GEL 150A	Physical & Chemical Oceanography
Preparatory Subject Matter Subtotal			LIN 177	Computational Linguistics
Depth Subject Matter			PHY 104A	Introduction to Mathematical Methods in Physics
A. Core Courses			PHY 104B	Computational Methods of Mathematical Physics
MAT 119A	Ordinary Differential Equations	4	PHY 104C	Intermediate Methods of Mathematical Physics
MAT 127A	Real Analysis	4	PHY 105A	Classical Mechanics
MAT 127B	Real Analysis	4	PHY 105B	Analytical Mechanics
MAT 127C	Real Analysis	4	PHY 108	Optics
MAT 135A	Probability	4	PHY 110A	Electricity & Magnetism
MAT 150A	Modern Algebra	4	PHY 110B	Electricity & Magnetism
MAT 185A	Complex Analysis	4	PHY 110C	Electricity & Magnetism
Choose two:		8	PHY 112	Thermodynamics & Statistical Mechanics
MAT 128A	Numerical Analysis		PHY 115A	Foundation of Quantum Mechanics
MAT 128B	Numerical Analysis in Solution of Equations		PHY 115B	Applications of Quantum Mechanics
MAT 128C	Numerical Analysis in Differential Equations		PHY 116A	Electronic Instrumentation
B. Enrichment Courses			PHY 116B	Electronic Instrumentation
1. Choose two:		8	PSC 103A	Statistical Analysis of Psychological Data
MAT 111-MAT 185B; excluding MAT 180, core courses, & courses being used as a capstone.			PSC 103B	Statistical Analysis of Psychological Data
2. Choose one approved upper division course outside the Department of Mathematics with extensive use of mathematics. Please consult with a math advisor before selecting a course.		4	STA 131B	Introduction to Mathematical Statistics
ATM 120	Atmospheric Thermodynamics & Cloud Physics		STA 131C	Introduction to Mathematical Statistics
ATM 121A	Atmospheric Dynamics		STA 141A	Fundamentals of Statistical Data Science
ATM 121B	Atmospheric Dynamics		STA 141B	Data & Web Technologies for Data Analysis
ATM 128	Atmospheric Radiation & Remote Sensing		STA 141C	Big Data & High Performance Statistical Computing
ARE 106	Econometric Theory & Applications		C. Capstone Courses	
CHE 110A	Physical Chemistry: Introduction to Quantum Mechanics		Choose one:	3-4
CHE 110B	Physical Chemistry: Properties of Atoms & Molecules		MAT 115B	Number Theory
CHE 110C	Physical Chemistry: Thermodynamics, Equilibria & Kinetics		MAT 118B	Partial Differential Equations: Eigenfunction Expansions
EEC 130A	Electromagnetics I		MAT 119B	Ordinary Differential Equations
EEC 130B	Introductory Electromagnetics II		MAT 135B	Stochastic Processes
ECH 140	Mathematical Methods in Biochemical & Chemical Engineering		MAT 146	Algebraic Combinatorics
ECI 114	Probabilistic Systems Analysis for Civil & Environmental Engineers		MAT 150B	Modern Algebra
ECI 153	Deterministic Optimization & Design		MAT 150C	Modern Algebra
ECN 122	Theory of Games & Strategic Behavior		MAT 180	Special Topics
ECN 140	Econometrics		MAT 185B	Complex Analysis
ECS 120	Theory of Computation		MAT 189	Advanced Problem Solving
Depth Subject Matter Subtotal			MAT 192	Internship in Applied Mathematics (Must take 3 units.)
Total Units			MAT 194	Undergraduate Thesis
				51-52
				91-99

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Note: Basic knowledge of MATLAB is required for both MAT 022A and MAT 067. Students can learn it on their own, enroll in ENG 006, or in the 1 unit course MAT 022AL (can be taken concurrently).