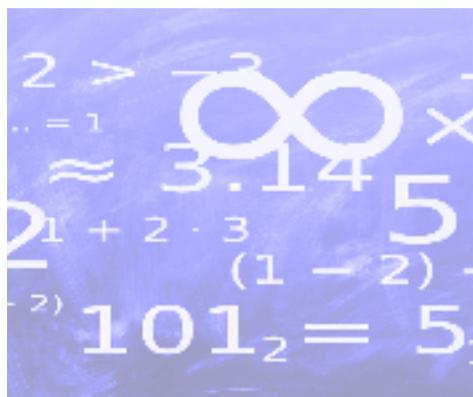




Take Math First

Information from the Bay College Mathematics Department 2018-2019

On behalf of the Mathematics Department, welcome to Bay College! We would like to offer some advice as you make your way through the sometimes overwhelming list of classes that are required to complete your degree or transfer program.



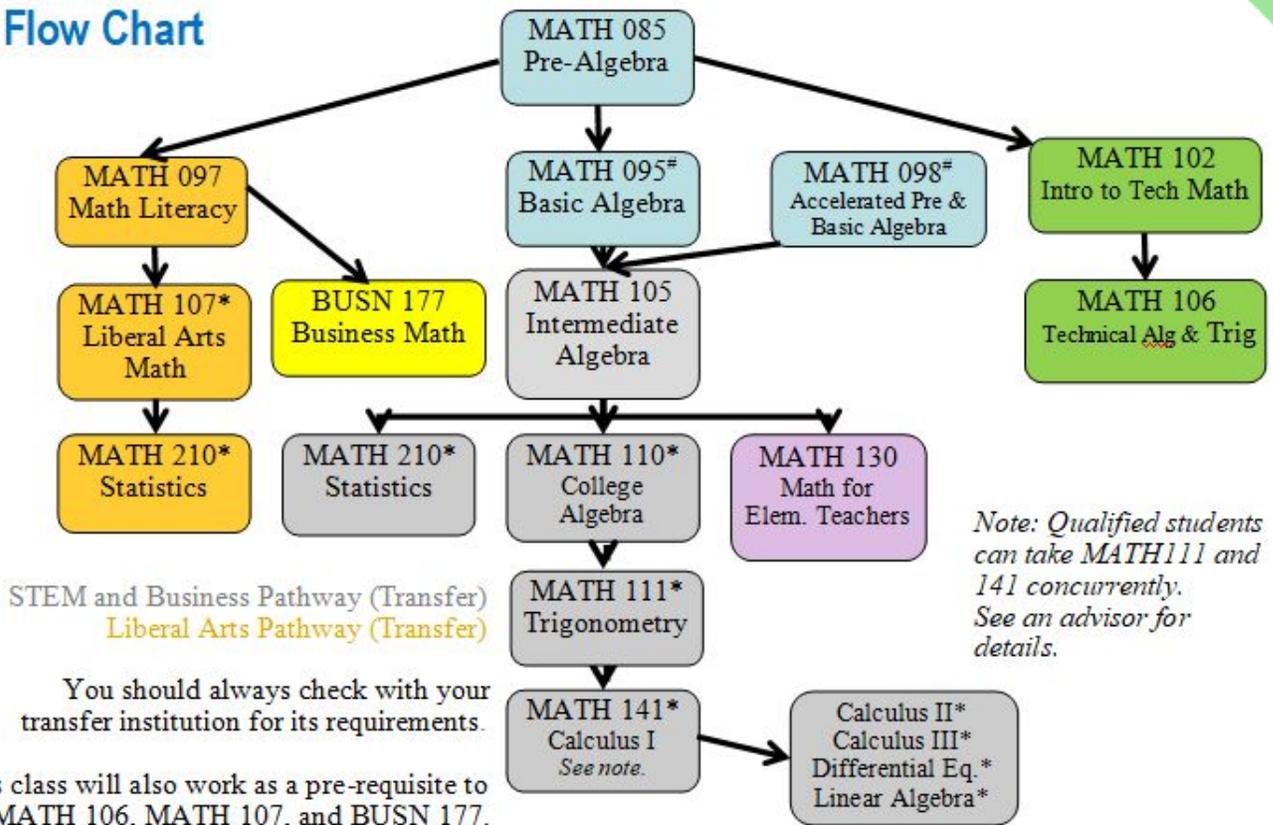
Many students focus only on the classes listed for their program and overlook any prerequisites leading up to those classes. Students often put off the math class(es) required for their degree until the semester before they plan to graduate. Suddenly, they are confronted with the realization that they will actually need to stay longer to earn their degree.

Don't let this happen to you. Take math first!

Start by taking the appropriate math class your first semester. Get your math requirement(s) out of the way early, so you don't become one of the unfortunate students who has to stay for extra semesters to earn his or her degree.

See the math class flow chart on the next page. If your SAT/ACT score is more than 3 years old or you are unhappy with your placement, you should sign up to take the ALEKS assessment, a computer based test that provides you with accurate information about your current math skills. Bay College provides this test **free** as a service to students. Call 906.217.4010 (Escanaba) or 906.302.3000 (Iron Mountain) to set up an appointment. To prepare for the test, you can use the resources listed on the next page. You may also visit the ALEKS website at https://www.aleks.com/free_trial/consumer to sign up for a free trial. *Note: New students who score below the minimum SAT/ACT score will be required to take the ALEKS test.*

Math Flow Chart



We want every student to succeed and are here to help you. We look forward to seeing you in class.

Resources

Khan Academy: www.khanacademy.org

Purple Math: www.purplemath.com

West Texas A & M University: www.wtamu.edu/academic/anns/mps/math/mathlab/

Visit the HUB (906.217.4301) in Escanaba or the Student Success Center (906.302.3004) in Iron Mountain for help with ALEKS preparation. The Bay College Library can also assist you with books, DVDs, tutorials, and other online resources.

Questions?

Please contact Admissions at 906.217.4010 (Escanaba) or 906.302.3000 (Iron Mountain). You may also contact the following Mathematics Department faculty: Britt Slade (sladeb@baycollege.edu), Spencer Slade (slades@baycollege.edu), Ken Hinzman (ken.hinzman@baycollege.edu), and Joe Shaw (shawj@baycollege.edu).