

FAQs for Mathematics Courses

1. When should I take my mathematics courses?

You must take at least one of your required MTH courses during your first 60 hours at Belmont. Since none of the four BELL Core mathematics courses is a prerequisite for any other mathematics course, you may take your BELL Core mathematics course before, after, or concurrent with any other mathematics course. Mathematics, like a language, is quickly forgotten if not practiced. Thus, you are encouraged to take your MTH courses as soon as possible and in consecutive semesters. This is especially true for those who dislike or fear math.

2. As a business major, what math courses must I take outside of the BELL Core?

You must take Elementary Statistics - MTH 1150 and one of Quantitative Methods - MTH 2140, Calculus I for Business, Economics, and the Social and Life Sciences – MTH 1170, or Calculus I – MTH 1210. If your mathematics ACT, SAT, or placement test scores indicate your readiness for one of these courses you may enroll in it at any time.

3. What mathematics courses must I take if I placed into Basic Algebra – MTH 0900?

The answer depends upon your major. If your major requires courses for which College Algebra is a prerequisite, you will need to successfully complete both Basic Algebra – MTH 0900 and College Algebra – MTH 1110 before taking those courses.

4. As a transfer student, what previous mathematics courses will count towards general education credit at Belmont?

Students who transfer to Belmont with 30 or more semester hours at the time of initial admission may transfer for BELL Core math credit any math course that is non-remedial according to Belmont standards.

5. What mathematics course must I take to meet the general education requirement if I am an education student seeking K-12 licensure?

Education students seeking K-12 licensure must take MTH 1080 if they have a score of 25 or better on the Math ACT or 570 or better on the Math SAT. Otherwise, they must take MTH 1110, College Algebra, to fulfill state licensure requirements. Students seeking PK-4 or 5-8 licensures must take MTH 1050, Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I.