MATHEMATICS-THEORETICAL EMPHASIS (STARTING IN MTH 110)

2024-2025

BACHELOR OF ARTS OR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

THIS IS A GENERAL CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

	Year	One	
¹ MTH 110 Algebra	4	¹ MTH 124 Precalculus: Functions and Models GE Math	5
Prerequisite: MTH 097 or proficiency through math placement		Prerequisite: MTH 110 or proficiency through math placement	
Gen Ed GE Art or ² WRT 120 (self-placement)	3	SEE NOTE BELOW REGARDING OPTIONS FOR THIS COURSE	
Gen Ed GE Physical/Life Science with Lab	4	² WRT 130 or 150 ^{GE Writing}	3/4
Gen Ed GE Historical Analysis	3	Gen Ed GE Social/Behavioral	3
³ Elective	1	³ Elective	3
		³ Elective (if necessary)	1
Total	15	Total	15-16*
	Spring/	Summer	•
¹ MTH 201 Calculus I			
Prerequisites: MTH 122 and MTH 123; or MTH 124; or proficiency thr	rough math p	lacement	
		Total	4
	Year	Тwo	
MTH 202 Calculus II	4	MTH 205 Linear Algebra II	3
Prerequisite: MTH 201		Prerequisites: MTH 204 or 302)	
MTH 204 Linear Algebra I		⁴ MTH 210 SWS Communicating in Mathematics	4
Prerequisites: MTH 122 and MTH 123, or MTH 124, or proficiency	3	Prerequisites: Gen Ed Foundations – Writing and MTH 201	
through math placement		CIS 161 Computational Science (recommended)	3/4
Gen Ed GE Social/Behavioral	3	OR CIS 162 Computer Science I	
Gen Ed GE Philosophy and Literature	3	⁵ MTH Elective	3/4
³ Elective	2/3		
Total	15-16*	Total	13-15
	Year	Three	
MTH 350 Modern Algebra	3	MTH 203 Calculus III	4
Prerequisites: MTH 210 and either MTH 204 or 225		Prerequisite: MTH 202	
STA 312 Probability and Statistics	3/4	⁶ MTH Elective	3/4
Prerequisites: MTH 201		Gen Ed GE US Diversity	3
OR STA 412 Mathematical Statistics I		⁶ MTH Elective 400-level	3
Prerequisites: STA 215 or STA 312 and MTH 202		Optional Elective	1
⁶ MTH elective	3		
Gen Ed GE Physical/Life Science without Lab	3		
³ Elective	2/3		
Total	14-16*	Total	14-15
	Year	Four	
MTH 408 Real Analysis I	3	MTH 495: The Nature of Modern Mathematics	3
Prerequisites: (MTH 203 and one of the following: MTH 315,		Prerequisites: MTH 210, MTH 204, MTH 350, and at least one other	
MTH 331, MTH 350, or MTH 431), or (MTH 210 and		300-400 level mathematics courses	
permission of instructor).		OR MTH 496 Senior Thesis	
⁶ MTH elective	3	(Capstone) Prerequisites: 27 credits in major, major GPA of 3.0	
Issue	3	or better, and permission of instructor	
Gen Ed GE Global Perspectives	3	Issue	3
³ Elective	3	³ Elective	3
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Total	15	Total	15

* The block tuition rate is 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15.

MTH 124 is designed for calculus-bound students as a replacement for MTH 122 & 123. While students can still fulfill the MTH 201 prerequisite by taking MTH 122 & 123, MTH 124 is strongly recommended for students who plan to major in mathematics.

¹ Students must fulfill MTH 110, MTH 122, and MTH 123, or MTH 124 or waive the requirement through math placement. These courses do not count towards the completion of the Mathematics major.

² Students who self-place into WRT 120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of their first year. Students who self-place into WRT 150 can take in either semester during their first year. Students will not need to take WRT 150 if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better is required in WRT 130 or 150 in order to satisfy the WRT requirement at GVSU.

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor and an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly.

The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585.

Online at: http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising

- ³ Elective refers to any course to help you earn the required 120 credits to graduate.
- ⁴ Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute
- ⁶ Mathematics students must complete a total of 13 courses in Math. These electives are listed below.

Degree Requirements

Mathematics students can pursue a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree. Students who wish to obtain a BA must fulfill 3rd semester proficiency in a foreign language (201 level). The BS requirements are incorporated into the major requirements and include MTH 201, MTH 202, and STA 312 or STA 412.

To earn a degree from GVSU, all students must complete the following: 120 total credits, all major/minor requirements, all general education requirements, at least 58 credits from a 4-year institution, and the last 30 credits of the degree completed through GVSU.

Declaring the Mathematics – Theoretical Major:

- 1. Log into myBanner from the GVSU homepage
- 2. Once logged in, select "Student," "Student Records," and then "Change Major"
- 3. Click on the "Change Major 1/Program" box
- 4. Click on the down arrow in the box next to "New Major 1/Program"
- 5. From here scroll down and find "Mathematics Theoretical." There are two options BA or BS. Click on the option you prefer.
- 6. Click "Submit" and then click "Change to New Program"

General Education Overlap

General Education Categories fulfilled by the Mathematics Major: Mathematical Sciences: MTH 201

MTH Elective Courses

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Choose from the following list for a total of 13 courses in mathematics – electives must be at the 300 level or higher			
At least one math elective MUST be at the 400 level, and at most one can be a Statistics class.			
MTH 300 Vector Analysis or	MTH 406 Linear Algebra III		
MTH 401 Mathematics for the Physical Sciences	MTH 409 Real Analysis II		
MTH 304 Analysis of Differential Equations	MTH 431 Non-Euclidean Geometry		
MTH 305 Mathematical Modeling	MTH 441 Topology		
MTH 315 Discrete Mathematics	MTH 450 Modern Algebra II		
MTH 360 Operations Research	MTH 465 Automata and Theory of Computation		
MTH 401 Mathematics for the Physical Sciences	MTH 495 Nature of Modern Math (if MTH 496 is taken as capstone)		
MTH 402 Complex Variables	MTH 496 Senior Thesis (if MTH 495 is taken as capstone)		
MTH 405 Numerical Analysis	MTH 498 Project-Based Applied Mathematics		
	STA 412 Mathematical Statistics I (may only count in one place)		

With unit head permission: MTH 380, 399, 480, and 499

Courses not applicable as Math electives are: MTH 302, 312, 322, 323, 324, 325, 329, 331, and 490

Math Computer Science/Statistics Requirements

CIS 161 Computational Science (recommended) Or CIS 162 Computer Science I And STA 312 Probability and Statistics Or STA 412 Mathematical Statistics I (may only count in one place)