# Mathematics: Bachelor of Arts Minor

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Mathematics	kpu.ca/mathematics
Implementation Date	01-Sep-2011
Start Date(s)	September January
Intake Type	Open intake
Instructional Cycle	Semester-based
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Baccalaureate Degree
Offered At	Richmond Surrey
Format	Full-time Part-time
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

# **DESCRIPTION**

The Bachelor of Arts Minor in Mathematics program is primarily intended for students who plan to enter a post-baccalaureate education program, with mathematics as one of their teachable subjects. It has been developed specifically to meet the requirements of admission to the post-baccalaureate Secondary Education Programs at UBC, SFU and UVic. However, it is also intended for students who are planning professional careers for which a sound foundation in formal or mathematical reasoning is required and for students with a specific interest in mathematics.

The primary focus of the Minor in Mathematics is as an expression of human understanding rather than as a science or an aid to science. The courses included in the Minor in Mathematics are designed with the mathematically interested arts student in mind, concentrating on the development of an understanding of the mathematical enterprise and including topics that illuminate and extend those taught in the secondary school curriculum. The scientific applications of mathematics, however, will continue to be addressed in many of the courses offered.

Teaching has consistently been one of the more frequent career choices for secondary school graduates, and these students require education in teachable subjects before proceeding into a professional program of teacher training. The Minor in Mathematics, when paired with minors in English or History, will provide the necessary background for admission to a School of Education and an excellent path to the attainment of students' career goals. As well, the Minor in Mathematics can form part of a B.A. leading students into other professions such as law or technical writing.

Students within the Bachelor of Arts Minor in Mathematics program will take a general academic program in the first and second year, including at least five mathematics courses in the first four semesters. As well, students will select elective courses from the humanities, social sciences, sciences, fine arts, modern languages, music and business, as per the Bachelor of Arts Degree Framework.

Students completing appropriate courses in Years 1 and 2 will be eligible to exit with an Associate of Science in Mathematics.

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Students pursuing a minor in Mathematics must be admitted to the Faculty of Arts.

## **DECLARATION REQUIREMENTS**

Students pursuing this minor must declare their intention prior to graduation.

## **CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS**

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree must complete all requirements in the Bachelor of Arts framework in addition to their major or minor program requirements.

#### Years One and Two

Students are required to complete 15 credits of mathematics courses at the 1000 and 2000 level.

#### One course from the following\*:

MATH 1120	Differential Calculus	3 credits
MATH 1130	Calculus for Life Sciences I with a grade of C+ or better	3 credits
MATH 1140	Calculus I (Business Applications)	3 credits
	with a grade of B- or better	

### One course from the following\*:

MATH 1220	Integral Calculus	3 credits
MATH 1230	Calculus for Life Sciences II with a grade of C+ or better	3 credits
MATH 1240	Calculus II (Business Applications)	3 credits
	with a grade of B- or better	

#### All of these 2000 level MATH courses:

MATH 2321	Multivariate Calculus (Calculus III)	3 credits
MATH 2232	Linear Algebra	3 credits

#### One course from the following:

MATH 2341	Introduction to Statistics for Business†	3 credits
MATH 2335	Statistics for Life Sciences†	3 credits
MATH 2315	Probability and Statistics†	3 credits

#### Notes:

† Students may substitute MATH 1115 Introductory Statistics, but should be aware that it will not satisfy the statistics requirement for admission into the Secondary Education Program at UBC. Students should not take more than one course from this list as only three credits will be recognized as credits towards the Minor in Mathematics degree. Students who desire another lower division Mathematics course should consider MATH 1116 Mathematical Explorations (3 credits) or MATH 2331 Real Analysis (3 credits).

<sup>\*</sup> Credit will not be granted for more than one of these courses.

## Years Three and Four

Students will be required to take 15 credits of mathematics courses numbered 3000 and above.

## A minimum of 12 credits from the following:

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MATH 3120	Introduction to Applied Mathematics (under development)	3 credits
MATH 3140	Mathematical Computing (under development)	3 credits
MATH 3150	Structure of Mathematics	3 credits
MATH 3160	Group Theory	3 credits
MATH 3170	Complex Variables	3 credits
MATH 3250	Geometry	3 credits
MATH 3315	Inferential Statistics (under development)	3 credits
MATH 3322	Vector Calculus	3 credits
MATH 3421	Differential Equations	3 credits
MATH 3431	Partial Differential Equations (under development)	3 credits
MATH 3450	History of Mathematics	3 credits
MATH 4130	Theory of Mathematics Education	3 credits
MATH 4150	Number Theory	3 credits
MATH 4190	Introduction to Point-Set Topology	3 credits
MATH 4210	Biomathematics	3 credits
MATH 4220	Numerical Methods (under development)	3 credits
MATH 4240	Mathematical Modelling	3 credits
MATH 4250	Special Topics in Mathematics	3 credits

## **Required 4000 Level MATH Course**

MATH 4350 Senior Project 3 credits

**Note:** Students planning to enter the Education program at either UBC or SFU will require an additional 3 credits of MATH courses numbered 3000 or higher. Those choosing UBC must also be sure to include MATH 3250 Geometry, MATH 4150 Number Theory and a Statistics course numbered 2000 or higher, (MATH 2341, MATH 2335, or MATH 2315) in their program.

# **CREDENTIAL AWARDED**

Upon successful completion of the minor as part of a Bachelor of Arts program, transcripts will indicate a **Minor in Mathematics**.