



## Department of Mathematics and Statistics

### Major in Mathematics with a Concentration in Applied Mathematics

Effective Fall 2025

#### Purposes of the Major

The Department of Mathematics and Statistics offers a major in Mathematical Sciences with a concentration in **Applied Mathematics**. The goals of this program are to provide students with

- broad-based and coherent preparation in the various disciplines that constitute the mathematical sciences and
- the specialized training necessary to begin a career in applied mathematics used by engineering and other technically based companies.

This concentration also prepares students for continued study of the mathematical sciences at the graduate level.

The department also offers a **minor** in Mathematics.

#### Advising Information

This document, **Major Requirements**, summarizes the departmental course requirements for graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics with applied mathematics concentration.

You are strongly encouraged to talk to one or more of the **faculty advisors** in the area of applied mathematics (listed below) as you plan your academic program.

Further information about current course offerings, as well as email addresses and office hours for faculty advisors, is available through the Department's Web site at:

<https://msudenver.edu/math>

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#### Declaring a Major

To declare a major in mathematics with concentration in applied mathematics, visit the Department of Mathematics and Statistics in SI 1022, or call (303) 615-0299. You should declare your major/concentration at least by the time you have finished the core requirements (listed below), and you absolutely must do this by the time you have completed 60 credit hours toward the degree.

#### Requirements for the Major <sup>1</sup>

Core Mathematics Courses	Semester Hours
MTH 1410 Calculus I.....	4
MTH 2410 Calculus II .....	4
MTH 2420 Calculus III.....	4
MTH 3100 Introduction to Mathematical Proofs.....	3

#### Required Mathematics Courses

MTH 3140 <sup>3</sup> Linear Algebra .....	4
MTH 3210 Probability and Statistics .....	4
MTH 3420 Differential Equations.....	4
MTH 4480 Numerical Analysis I (Senior Experience)...	4

#### One course selected from:

MTH 2540 Scientific Computing with Python.....	4
MTH 2520 R Programming .....	4
CS 1050 Computer Science 1 .....	4

#### Two courses selected from:

MTH 3400 Chaos and Nonlinear Dynamics .....	4
MTH 3430 Mathematical Modeling.....	4
MTH 3450 Complex Variables .....	4
MTH 4410 <sup>2</sup> Real Analysis I.....	4
MTH 4440 Partial Differential Equations .....	4
MTH 4490 Numerical Analysis II .....	4

**Total hours required** ..... **43**

At least 26 of the total 43 hours must be at the level of 3000 or above, and at least 7 of the total 43 hours must be at the level of 4000 or above.

<sup>1</sup> A grade of "C-" or better is required in each course included in the major.

<sup>2</sup> Students considering graduate school in mathematics are strongly encouraged to take MTH 4410.

<sup>3</sup> MTH 3130 and one of the following (MTH 3110 or MTH 3650 or MTH 4110 or MTH 4150 or MTH 4410 or MTH 4660) may substitute for MTH 3140.

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## General Advising Guidelines

The suggestions below will help you complete your course of study in a timely manner. You should make every effort to follow them:

- Note that many mathematics courses are not offered every semester. Also note that, in the semesters in which they are offered, a course may only be offered during the day or in the evening. Course rotations can be found at: <https://www.msudenver.edu/math/>
- Complete the core mathematics courses and courses needed to satisfy the General Studies requirements as quickly as possible.
- Declare the major/concentration by the time you complete the core courses.
- Plan your sequence of courses with prerequisites in mind. Note that MTH 3100 is a prerequisite for most upper-division courses.
- Take no more than two upper-division mathematics courses in the same semester. To do otherwise may jeopardize your grades and content understanding.

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## Requirements for Transfer Students

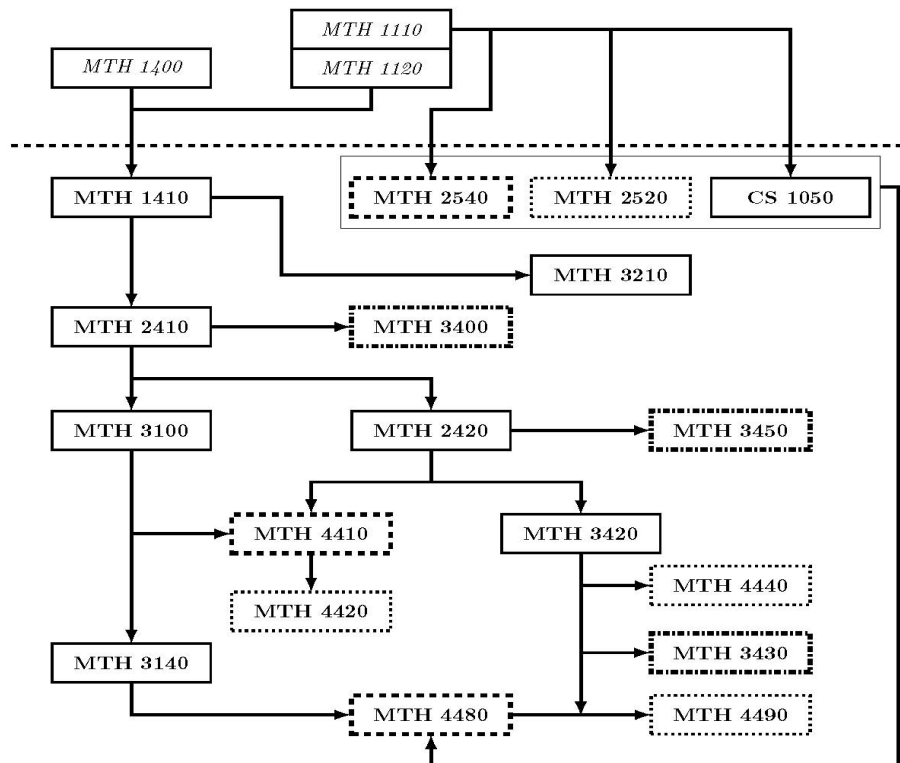
- In order for mathematics courses from another institution to satisfy a requirement for the major, the content must match, not just the name of the course.
- You must meet all the requirements for the program based on all courses taken both at other institutions and at MSU Denver.
- You must take at least eight hours of upper-division mathematics courses at MSU Denver.
- The last 12 hours of coursework toward the degree must be taken at MSU Denver unless you have taken at least 45 hours of coursework at MSU Denver.

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## Prerequisite Chart for Courses in the Applied Mathematics Concentration

- *Italicized courses* are prerequisites that do not count towards the major.
- The flowchart shows required courses and all possible electives.

- Lined boxes indicate courses offered Spring & Fall
- Dashed boxes indicate courses offered Fall Only
- Dotted boxes indicate courses offered Spring Only
- Dot dash boxes indicate courses offered every 2 years



If you would like additional information on this program or other programs offered by the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, please visit the Department's Web site at:  
<https://msudenver.edu/math>

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