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Hello –

We are writing with some exciting and **important updates about the College of Management curriculum** that may impact you. During the last two academic years, the CM Faculty have conducted curriculum reviews of peer and aspirant business schools, reviewed our requirements, analyzed student success data in various courses, and consulted with other key departments around campus to make changes that we believe will better prepare students for the employer needs of today while also making your path to graduation a bit easier. These changes include:

- **Calculus (MATH 134, MATH 135, MATH 140) is no longer required** as the only coursework that will meet the College of Management’s Quantitative Reasoning Requirement. Now, the following statistics courses will also satisfy this area: ECON 205, IT 111L, MATH 125, MSIS 111L, PSYCH 370, and SOCIOL 350.
 - o Statistics was already a requirement in the Business Foundation for Management Majors and in the IT Major Core. These statistics courses will still satisfy these areas AND double count in the CM Quantitative Reasoning area.
- **ECON 101 and ECON 102** will now be able to count in BOTH the Non—Business Foundation requirement AND as Social/Behavioral Science (SB) courses in the Areas of Knowledge General Education requirement.
- **Calculus (MATH 134, MATH 135, MATH 140) is no longer pre-requisite** for any upper level (300 or 400) CM course. This pre-requisite has not been replaced with any other course, but all other existing pre-requisites still apply.
- **You can now take BC 290 concurrently with MGT 303 and/or MKT 301.** You will still need to meet all other course pre-requisites for these courses. If this is something you would like to do you will need complete an online [registration request form](#) through our office.

When changes like this are made, they typically apply only to new students. However, we felt it important that all students benefit from these changes. To implement this, **all degree audits have been updated** by the Registrar’s Office to reflect these changes. **You may want to run a new audit** for yourself to see how you were impacted.

Please be aware that there may be certain programs, Honors College curriculum, and additional majors or minors that still require calculus or additional courses that also satisfy the SB area. We cannot change requirements that are outside of CM. You are also welcome to continue to take courses from the Math Department or in Social Behavioral science areas if they meet your individual interests or academic goals.

Please be assured that if you took pre-calculus, calculus, or specific courses for the SB requirement in a previous term, you did not do anything wrong and were not misadvised in doing so. Until curriculum changes are approved by the Provost's Office (and sometimes beyond), they are not guaranteed nor are they in effect. It would have been a disservice to advise any student not to take courses that were required at that time.

If you are in MATH 129, MATH 130, MATH 134, MATH 135, MATH 140 or an SB course other than ECON 101 or ECON 102 this fall semester, you may want to consider updating your schedule and registration in light of these curriculum changes. You are not required to drop those courses but can now make informed decisions.

One cumulative effect of these changes is that you may find that **you now have more flexibility** to take additional courses of your choice (general elective courses). We would strongly encourage you to **explore coursework in the College of Management** that is beyond your concentration for a breadth of exposure to business concepts, or additional concentration courses for a depth of knowledge within your chosen field.

We hope that you find that these changes will be beneficial to your degree progress. If you have any questions about your remaining requirements or path to graduation, please reach out to your Academic Advisor. Appointment links and drop-in hours (when applicable) are available on the Academic Advising section of this website: <https://www.umb.edu/business/student-resources/>