## MATHEMATICS MAJOR: CONCENTRATION IN SECONDARY EDUCATION

#### **Admission Requirements for the Mathematics Major**

Rigorous high school coursework and strong SAT scores with above average grades in mathematics and computer science courses.

#### Requirements for a Major in Mathematics

Students must complete a core of six mathematics courses and one computer science class and in addition select one of three concentrations.

| Code             | Title                         | Credits |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| MA-200           | Calculus I                    | 4       |
| MA-201           | Calculus II                   | 4       |
| MA-240           | Theory of Proof               | 4       |
| MA-260           | Linear Algebra                | 3       |
| MA-310           | Calculus III                  | 4       |
| MA-470           | Capstone Experience           | 3       |
| Ancillary Course |                               |         |
| CS-135           | Programming for Non-CS Majors | 3       |
| Total Credits    |                               | 25      |

MA-200, MA-201 and MA-240 must be completed with grades of at least C- by the end of the sophomore year. A student may only retake any of these courses at most once to increase a grade below C-; and may retake at most two of these courses to increase a grade below C-.

# Requirements for the Concentration in Secondary Education

| Code          | Title  | Credits |
|---------------|--|---------|
| MA-302        | Probability and Statistics                                 | 3       |
| MA-309        | Topics in Mathematics for Middle and<br>Secondary Teachers | 3       |
| MA-340        | Modern Geometry  | 3       |
| MA-405        | Abstract Algebra   | 3       |
| or MA-410     | Real Analysis  |         |
| MA-360        | Number Theory  | 3       |
| MA-303        | Mathematical Modeling                                      | 3       |
| Total Credits |  | 18      |

It is recommended that students planning to take the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for high school certification also complete a physics course. A secondary education minor, 4+ in Secondary Education or Post Baccalaureate initial license program through the education department are also required for licensure as a math teacher.

It is recommended that students planning to take the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for high school certification also complete a physics course.

Students are required to meet with their department advisor to review their upcoming semester academic choices. A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation.

### Department of Mathematics: Mathematics Major Concentration in Secondary Education Sample Timeline for Completion of Degree

| Year One       | -                                    |         |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Semester One   |                                      | Credits |
| MA-200         | Calculus I                           | 4       |
| CS-135         | Programming for Non-CS Majors (QR)   | 3       |
| EN-101         | College Writing I                    | 3       |
| LASC           | First-Year Seminar (FYS)             | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (GP)                   | 3       |
|                | Credits                              | 16      |
| Semester Two   |                                      |         |
| MA-201         | Calculus II                          | 4       |
| MA-240         | Theory of Proof                      | 4       |
| EN-102         | College Writing II                   | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (CON)                  | 3       |
| SELECT         | General Elective                     | 3       |
|                | Credits                              | 17      |
| Year Two       |                                      |         |
| Semester Three |                                      |         |
| MA-310         | Calculus III                         | 4       |
| MA-260         | Linear Algebra                       | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (NSP)                  | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (CA)                   | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (DIV)                  | 3       |
|                | Credits                              | 16      |
| Semester Four  |                                      |         |
| MA-303         | Mathematical Modeling                | 3       |
| MA-309         | Topics in Mathematics for Middle and | 3       |
|                | Secondary Teachers                   |         |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (NSP LAB)              | 4       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (USW)                  | 3       |
| SELECT         | General Elective                     | 3       |
|                | Credits                              | 16      |
| Year Three     |                                      |         |
| Semester Five  |                                      |         |
| MA-302         | Probability and Statistics           | 3       |
| MA-360         | Number Theory                        | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (HBS)                  | 3       |
| SELECT         | General Elective                     | 3       |
| SELECT         | General Elective                     | 3       |
|                | Credits                              | 15      |
| Semester Six   |                                      |         |
| MA-340         | Modern Geometry                      | 3       |
| MA-405         | Abstract Algebra <sup>1</sup>        | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (ICW)                  | 3       |
| LASC           | LASC Elective (TLC)                  | 3       |
| SELECT         | General Elective                     | 3       |
|                | Credits                              | 15      |
| Year Four      |                                      |         |
| Semester Seven |                                      |         |
| MA-410         | Real Analysis <sup>1</sup>           | 3       |
| MA-470         | Capstone Experience                  | 3       |
| SELECT         | General Elective                     | 3       |
| SELECT         | General Elective                     | 3       |
|                |                                      |         |

| SELECT         | General Elective | 3   |
|----------------|------------------|-----|
|                | Credits          | 15  |
| Semester Eight |                  |     |
| SELECT         | General Elective | 3   |
|                | Credits          | 12  |
|                | Total Credits    | 122 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Only one of MA-405 or MA-410 is required.

Once LASC requirements are satisfied, students may select general requirements. Students are required to meet with their department advisor to review their upcoming semester academic choices. A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation.

Students should consult with their advisors about minoring in secondary education.