

Course Prerequisites and Corequisites

Course Prerequisites

Prerequisite courses are courses that must be completed before students can enroll in subsequent courses. Students must comply with catalog requirements and courses may not be taken until all prerequisites have been met. (Exceptions may occur when students are in specially designed curricula that allow for meeting prerequisites in an alternative manner. Such programs will have been approved by the appropriate faculty and academic dean/director and authorized by the executive vice president upon the presentation of specific documentation showing how the prerequisite skills or knowledge content are being met.) Advisors will assist, but it is the responsibility of students to check course prerequisite requirements. Registering for a course without having the appropriate prerequisite will result in students being dropped from courses when improper registrations are discovered. The removal from a course may have an effect on full-time status and/or financial aid. (Any refund will be based on the college's current refund policy.)

If students feel that they have met a prerequisite by one of the following means, they should work with their advisor and the appropriate division dean to initiate a prerequisite waiver:

1. A course or combination of courses taken at another institution covering the knowledge and abilities equivalent to those specified in the prerequisite course.
2. Documented knowledge and abilities through work experience, experiential learning, or formal assessment equivalent to those specified in the prerequisite course.
3. Professional certification and/or licensure demonstrating the knowledge and abilities equivalent to those specified in the prerequisite course.

The executive vice president shall approve or deny prerequisite waiver requests. The vice president's decision is final.

Under no circumstance will prerequisites be waived without completion of one of the above procedures.

Course Corequisites

Corequisite courses are courses that must be taken at the same time as another course or prior to the course to be taken. Note: Some lecture courses having corequisite labs are "Split Courses" and must be taken together during the same semester. Additionally, the following courses with labs must be taken together: COS 111/112, COS 113/114, COS 115/116, and COS 117/118.

Students must comply with catalog requirements in that courses may not be taken without the appropriate corequisite. (Exceptions may occur when students are in specially designed curricula that allow for meeting corequisites in an alternative manner. Such programs will have been approved by the appropriate faculty and division dean/director and authorized by the executive vice president upon the presentation of specific documentation showing how the corequisite skills or knowledge content are being met.)

Advisors will assist, but it is the responsibility of students to check course corequisite requirements. Registering for a course without having the appropriate corequisite will result in students being dropped from courses when improper registrations are discovered. The removal from a course may affect students' full-time status and/or financial aid. (Any refund will be based on the college's current refund policy.)

If students feel that they have met a corequisite by one of the following means, they should work with their advisor and the appropriate division chair to initiate a corequisite waiver:

1. A course or combination of courses taken at another institution covering the knowledge and abilities equivalent to those specified in the corequisite course.
2. Documented knowledge and abilities through work experience, experiential learning, or formal assessment equivalent to those specified in the corequisite course.
3. Professional certification and/or licensure demonstrating the knowledge and abilities equivalent to those specified in the corequisite course.

The executive vice president shall approve or deny corequisite waiver requests. The vice president's decision is final.

The corequisite components of COS 111/112, COS 113/114, COS 115/116, and COS 117/118, may not be waived.

Under no circumstances will a corequisite be waived for other courses without completion of one of the above procedures.

Some programs/curricula have admission or continuation requirements that are not courses. These requirements function as prerequisites that must be met. (See individual programs for specific requirements.)