Spring 2013 Registration Memo
(This memo is posted at www.math.fsu.edu/~bellenot/StudentResources)

IMPORTANT DATES, DEADLINES


Week of Nov 5: The GRID opens. Dr. Kirby will send a memo about the GRID.

Nov 29: Early deadline for funded students (TA, RA, GAAN) to complete their registration. (Early deadline allows us to check your registration & grid for errors.)

Nov 30 (Noon): GRID closes. The information you provide in your GRID is final and cannot be changed after this deadline. Read the upcoming memo from Dr. Kirby about the GRID carefully.

Dec 7: University deadline for Spring registration.

Jan 5 - 10: Drop/Add window (8 AM-11:59 PM).

WHAT COURSES SHOULD I TAKE?

It is your responsibility to enroll in the right courses for your area, and to do so, you need to consult your director. Your director will tell you what courses need to be taken during the first two years as you complete your Master’s requirements. The area web pages also list required and elective courses. If you are in Year 3 and beyond, your primary academic advisor is your (intended) major professor, and you should discuss your courses with him.

WHO ARE THE DIRECTORS?

Biomath: Dr. Richard Bertram and Dr. Jack Quine
Pure Math: Dr. Mark van Hoeij
Applied and Computational Math: Dr. Kyle Gallivan
Financial Math: Dr. Alec Kercheval

YEAR 1 AND 2 STUDENTS

- Full time students take 3 letter-graded courses for a total of 9 hours. In some areas, students must take seminars, in addition to the three courses. Check with your director about the seminars you must take.
- Funded students will be assigned to participate in TA class by Dr. Kirby. Read the upcoming memo from Dr. Kirby.
- If you are a funded international student, you may have to take 1hr Spoken English. Check with Dr. Kirby about this.
- If you are supported by GAANN, you need to take some special seminars. Dr. Case will send a memo about this.
YEAR 3 STUDENTS

If you haven’t already passed your doctoral candidacy exam, then this is the semester you must take it. You must also establish your supervisory committee; discuss this with your Major Prof. You should take at least one 3-hour course, and it could be based on S/U. Discuss with your intended major professor or director whether a second course may be beneficial for your research. The rest of the hours (for a total of 9) will come from:

- 2-4 hours of Candidacy Prep, MAT 6908, with your major prof - ask Mr. Bowen to make a section if there is not one listed in the schedule;
- If you are a funded international student, you may have to take 1hr Spoken English. Check with Dr. Kirby about this.
- Your area seminars;
- The Graduate Student Seminar (MAT6939-01) run by students and/or the Colloquium.

BEYOND YEAR 3

You are a doctoral candidate, and have a lot of experience with registration! Talk to your major professor to see if s/he recommends you to take a course. You must register for dissertation hours (at least 2) with your major prof. Full time students (TA/RA/GAAN) still register for at least 9 hours, and part time students must register for at least 2 hours of dissertation. Note that a total of at least 24 dissertation hours are required to get your PhD. Take advanced seminars offered in your area. Other seminars usually include the Graduate Student Seminar, the Colloquium, etc.

Please note the minor requirement of the department for doctoral students: The following is from the Bulletin: “The doctoral student in mathematics must demonstrate proficiency in a minor; normally this is accomplished by completing six or more semester hours in an approved mathematics-related subject with a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0. If the minor is in mathematics, these hours must be outside the list of courses accepted for the doctoral qualifying examinations in the student’s area (and not part of the master’s for that area).”

REGISTRATION HOURS

Depending on several factors such as whether you are an out-of-state or in-state student, and whether you are a funded student or not, your total number of registration hours may need to be more than the number of hours for the courses and seminars you were advised by your director to register for. Appropriate adjustments to your registration will be made, if necessary, by the Associate Chair for Graduate Studies and the Academic Program Specialist, Josh Bowen.