Spring 2021 Registration Memo
(This memo is posted at https://www.math.fsu.edu/StudentResources/Graduate)

Important dates, deadlines

October 26 – December 4: University registration window for current students.

November 20: Early deadline for funded students (TA, RA) to complete their registration. (Early deadline allows us to check your registration and grid for errors.)

November 20 (Noon): GRID closes. The information you provide in your GRID is final and cannot be changed after this deadline. Read the memo from Dr. Kirby about the GRID.

January 6, 2021 (8:01 am) – January 11, 2021 (11:59 pm): Drop/Add window

January 6, 2021: Classes begin.

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 or her.

WHO ARE THE DIRECTORS?
Pure Math: Dr. Ettore Aldrovandi
Applied and Computational Math: Dr. Ziad Musslimani
Financial Math: Dr. Giray Ökten
Biomath: Dr. Richard Bertram

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 three courses. Consult your director about the seminars you must take.

If you are a funded student (TA, RA), you may have to take 3hr Spoken English. Check with Dr. Kirby about this.

Funded students (TA, RA) must complete their qualifier exams no later than by the beginning of their fourth semester! (Please see the requirements for continued funding at: http://www.math.fsu.edu/graduate-general-info/TimelyProgress.math)
YEAR 3 STUDENTS

This is the final year students must take their Doctoral Candidacy exam to ensure their departmental funding is continued. (Please see the requirements for continued funding at: http://www.math.fsu.edu/graduate-general-info/TimelyProgress.math) The exam must be taken in Fall or Spring. Inform the Graduate Advisor, Ms. Elizabeth Scott, on the semester you are planning to take your candidacy exam. You should take at least one 3-hour course, and it could be S/U graded. 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 MAT 6908 (Candidacy Prep), with the supervision of your intended major professor. Ask Ms. Elizabeth Scott, to make a section if there is not one listed in the schedule; your area seminars; the Graduate Student Seminar (MAT 6939-01) run by students; and/or the departmental Colloquium (MAT 5921). (See PhD requirements in the next paragraph.)

BEYOND YEAR 3

You are a doctoral candidate and have a lot of experience on 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, every semester including summer. In addition, the following requirements must be satisfied with grade of S before completing the PhD:

i) At least 24 hours of dissertation (MAT 6980), ii) At least 2 hours of the department Colloquium (MAT 5921), and iii) At least 3 hours of your area seminar (MAT 5939), as indicated by your director. You are encouraged (in some cases required) to take advanced seminars offered in your area each semester.

You may take additional seminars, such as the Graduate Student Seminar, as well. If you are planning to defend your dissertation, inform Ms. Elizabeth Scott about your intent, and the exact date of your defense when it is scheduled.

Note that a TA/RA must register for at least 9 hours. Sometimes these numbers change, and we make the appropriate modifications explained below. If you are not a TA/RA, then the minimum number of hours you must register is:

Domestic students: 2 dissertation hours.
International students: 9 hours, until you collect 24 dissertation hours. After you reach 24 hours, the minimum enrollment is 3 hours. (For more details go to the International Students link and pick F1 or J1, at http://cge.fsu.edu)
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. Currently, the total number of hours for Spring 2021 is 9 hours for in-state funded (TA/RA) students, and 9 hours for out-of-state funded (TA/RA) students. Appropriate adjustments to your registration will be made, if necessary, by the Associate Chair for Graduate Studies and the Graduate Advisor.