Illinois State University
Department of Mathematics
Mathematics Major

This major is designed to prepare students to work in business, government, and industry and in vocations that involve research or applications of mathematics in the physical and social sciences. It also builds a strong foundation for students who are interested in pursuing graduate study in pure mathematics.

Major Requirements (minimum 45 hours)
Required (mathematics courses with a grade of C or better):
MAT 145 Calculus I (4 hours)
MAT 146 Calculus II (4 hours)
MAT 147 Calculus III (4 hours)
MAT 175 Elementary Linear Algebra (4 hours)
MAT 236 Elementary Abstract Algebra (4 hours)
MAT 247 Elementary Real Analysis (3 hours)
MAT 260 Discrete Mathematics (4 hours)
MAT 350 Applied Probability Models (4 hours)
ENG 145 or ENG 249 or equivalent (does not count toward the 45 hours)
IT 165 or IT 168 (does not count toward the 45 hours)

At least one course chosen from:
MAT 336 Advanced Abstract Algebra (3 hours)
MAT 337 Advanced Linear Algebra (4 hours)
MAT 347 Advanced Real Analysis (4 hours)

From the following groups, select 3 or more courses, not all in the same group:
Algebra Group: MAT 330, MAT 336, MAT 337
Analysis Group: MAT 340, MAT 341, MAT 345, MAT 347
Discrete Group: MAT 361, MAT 362, MAT 363
Statistics Group: MAT 351, MAT 378
Research Group: MAT 268

Electives as needed from 200- or 300-level mathematics courses that are offered for major/minor credit that are not designed for the actuarial sequence or the teacher certification sequence.

Graduation Requirements: Complete a minimum of 120 hours; complete the General Education requirements; complete at least 42 senior level hours; complete residency and language requirements; complete a global studies course; maintain a GPA of 2.0 in Mathematics; maintain a GPA of 2.0 overall; and complete a senior portfolio. **For complete, official information, consult your catalog.**

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Sample Four-Year Plans

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Year 1

Fall	**Spring**
ENG 101 or COM 110	COM 110 or ENG 101
MAT 145	MAT 146
Inner Core Natural Science or alternative	Inner Core Natural Science or alternative

Year 2

Fall	**Spring**
MAT 147	MAT 175
MAT 260	IT 168 or 165
ENG 145 or 249	

Year 3

Fall	**Spring**
MAT 247	MAT 236
MAT 350	MAT Elective**

Year 4

Fall	**Spring**
MAT Elective*	MAT Elective* or **
MAT Elective**	

Mathematics Major Pursuing Graduate Study in Mathematics

Year 1

Fall	**Spring**
ENG 101 or COM 110	COM 110 or ENG 101
MAT 145	MAT 146
Inner Core Natural Science or alternative	Inner Core Natural Science or alternative

Year 2

Fall	**Spring**
MAT 147	MAT 260
MAT 175	MAT 350
ENG 145 or 249	IT 168 or 165

Year 3

Fall	**Spring**
MAT 247	MAT 236
MAT 340	MAT Elective**

Year 4

Fall	**Spring**
MAT 337	MAT 336
MAT Elective**	MAT 347

*At least one course must be chosen from MAT 336 (Spring only), 337 (Fall only), 347 (Spring only).

<u>Electives**</u> as needed from 200- or 300-level mathematics courses that are offered for major/minor credit that are not designed for the actuarial sequence or the teacher certification sequence, <u>at least three of which are from at least two of the following groups:</u> **Algebra Group:** MAT 330, MAT 336, MAT 337; **Analysis Group:** MAT 340, MAT 341, MAT 345, MAT 347; **Discrete Group:** MAT 361, MAT 362, MAT 363; **Statistics Group:** MAT 351, MAT 378; **Research Group:** MAT 268.

Students must satisfy a foreign language requirement that may be met by: 3 years of a single foreign language in high school or completion of the second semester or higher of college-level foreign language (LAN 112 or articulated course) with a grade of "C" or better or equivalent proficiency as determined by examination. American Sign Language may be used to fulfill this requirement by transfer credit or by proficiency. If needed, foreign language classes should be added to the above schedule.

Students are encouraged to being collecting their senior portfolio materials at the end of their second year.

Students pursuing graduate study in mathematics are encouraged to take as many mathematics courses as their schedule allows.