



**Illinois Board of Higher Education**

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Illinois Public University Provosts  
FROM: Stephanie Bernoteit, Executive Deputy Director  
DATE: April 23, 2021  
RE: Public Act 101-0654

In accordance with the amended statute (Public Act 101-0654) listed below, IBHE has provided a template to gather the required and recommended courses for 2021-2022 undergraduate admissions as stated in your university's policy and used in the admissions process. Above and beyond the course requirements and recommendations for general admissions, please provide any programs/majors/departments/colleges **that have additional requirements and recommendations** stated in policy and used in the undergraduate admissions process. Please include reference as to where the requirements or recommendations can be found (i.e., catalog or website). Also, list all required and recommended courses for admissions that you **will add** for the 2022-2023 academic year. **Please return the survey by May 28, 2021** to Gretchen Lohman at [lohman@ibhe.org](mailto:lohman@ibhe.org) and contact her if you have questions.

**Legislation: Amends the School Code and the Board of Higher Education Act (Public Act 101-0654)**

(110 ILCS 205/9.40 new) Sec. 9.40. Review of university admission coursework.

- (a) On or before May 1, 2021 and as needed thereafter, the Board of Higher Education shall compile a review that identifies, for each public university in this State, all courses the university will require or recommend a high school student take to be admitted to the university as an undergraduate for the following school year. The review shall also include any required coursework or recommended coursework for undergraduate admission into a specific academic major, college, or department of the university for the following school year. In order to allow public school districts, sufficient time to fulfill their obligations under subsection (c) of Section 2-3.183 of the School Code, the review must also identify any new courses that each public university in this State will add to the review the following year. No new required or recommended coursework may be added to a review that has not been identified in the previous year's review. (b) The Board of Higher Education shall make the review compiled under subsection (a) available to the public on its Internet website. (c) The Board of Higher Education may adopt any rules necessary to implement this Section.

	General Admission
Course Requirements	<p>Applicants seeking admission to the University must successfully complete the following high school course pattern requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4 years of English</li><li>3 years of Mathematics</li><li>3 years of Science</li><li>3 years of Social Studies</li><li>2 years of Electives</li></ol> <p>Applicants are considered to have also met all high school course pattern requirements if they are either in the upper quarter of their high school class or have a grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in their college-prep courses and have either earned a SAT ERW+M score of 1200 or higher or an ACT composite score of 25 or higher.</p> <p><u>High School Course Pattern Requirements Remedies</u></p> <p>Students are required to remedy any high school course pattern requirement deficiencies as determined by the Office of Admissions in one of the ways listed below:</p> <p><u>English:</u> Earn an ACT English sub-score of 21 or above and an ACT Reading sub-score of 21 or above, earn an SAT Writing and Language test score of 28 or above and an SAT Reading test score of 27 or above, or earn successful placement in English 101.</p> <p><u>Mathematics:</u> Earn successful placement in MATH 120 or above, or successfully complete Quantitative Reasoning (QR 101).</p> <p><u>Science:</u> Earn an ACT Science Reasoning sub-score of 23, or successfully complete a 3-semester hour course in either physical or life science.</p> <p><u>Social Science:</u> Successfully complete a 3-semester hour course in social science.</p> <p><u>Standardized Test</u></p> <p>Standardized test score, such as the ACT or SAT, <b>are not required</b> for admission to the University. If the applicant wishes to submit an ACT or SAT score, they are welcome to do so. ACT or SAT scores that appear on the high school transcript are acceptable. To be considered official, all documents (high school transcripts, GED scores, ACT/SAT scores, and college/university transcripts) must be sent directly to the Office of Admissions by the office or institution that issues the document. SIUE accepts electronic transcripts submitted through various electronic transcript services. A transcript received from a student will not be considered official.</p>
Links	<a href="https://www.siue.edu/policies/1e1.shtml">https://www.siue.edu/policies/1e1.shtml</a>
Course Recommendations	

**Above and beyond the course requirements and recommendations for general admissions, please provide any programs/majors/departments/colleges that have additional requirements and recommendations stated in policy and used in the admissions process. Include reference as to where the requirements or recommendations can be found (i.e., catalog or website).**

	Colleges	Departments	Programs	Majors	Notes
<b>Name</b>	School of Nursing		Nursing		
<b>Course Requirements</b>	Students pursuing Nursing degrees are required to take additional university courses before admitted to the School of Nursing. Those include successful completion of six admission prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better. These six prerequisites must be completed by the end of the fall semester in order to be considered for a fall admission, and by the end of the spring semester to be considered for a spring admission. The required prerequisites for admission are ENG 101, ACS 101, CHEM 120A/124A, PSYC 111, and BIOL 140 (or a higher biology prerequisite, BIOL 150 or BIOL 240A or equivalent). Additional requirements are listed in the link below; all are courses students can take once admitted to the university and are advised to do so by academic advisors.				For direct entry into the School of Nursing, criteria are listed here <a href="https://www.sive.edu/undergraduate/direct-entry-meridian/nursing.shtml">https://www.sive.edu/undergraduate/direct-entry-meridian/nursing.shtml</a> .
<b>Links</b>	<a href="https://www.sive.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/nursing/traditional/admission-requirements.shtml">https://www.sive.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/nursing/traditional/admission-requirements.shtml</a>				
<b>Name</b>	School of Business			Accountancy and Business Administration	Before applying to the programs, students are encouraged to consult with an advisor in the School of Business Student Services Office to discuss the application process and plan a program of study.
	Prerequisite courses required for the School of Business:				

<b>Course Requirements</b>	<p>ENG 101 and 102</p> <p>ACS 101</p> <p>CMIS 108</p> <p>ECON 111 and 112</p> <p>MATH 120</p> <p>ACCT 200</p> <p>MS 250 (students may substitute MATH 150 for both MATH 120 and MS 250)</p> <p>All of these are courses students can take once admitted to the university and are advised to do so by academic advisors.</p>				
<b>Links</b>	<p><a href="https://www.sive.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/business-administration/admission-requirements.shtml">https://www.sive.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/business-administration/admission-requirements.shtml</a></p>				
<b>Name</b>	School of Engineering			<p>Civil Engineering,</p> <p>Computer Engineering,</p> <p>Computer Science,</p> <p>Construction Management,</p> <p>Electrical Engineering,</p> <p>Mechanical Engineering,</p> <p>Mechatronics and Robotics Engineering.</p>	
<b>Course Requirements</b>	<p>Admission to the majors in the School of Engineering requires that student meet additional math courses requirements, namely, complete MATH 120, College Algebra (or high school equivalents) with a grade of C or better</p>				<p>Students can take all these courses once admitted to the university and are advised to do so by academic advisors.</p> <p>When applying for direct entry, students in the School of Engineering are expected to meet the MATH 125</p>

	for some engineering options, or be eligible to enroll in MATH 125 or higher for others.				placement; if not achieved they are no longer eligible for direct entry. <a href="https://www.siu.edu/undergraduate/direct-entry-meridian/engineering.shtml">https://www.siu.edu/undergraduate/direct-entry-meridian/engineering.shtml</a>
<b>Links</b>	<a href="https://www.siu.edu/engineering/programs-departments/undergraduate.shtml">https://www.siu.edu/engineering/programs-departments/undergraduate.shtml</a>				
<b>Name</b>	School of Education			Exercise Science Psychology Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology	Qualified incoming freshmen have the opportunity to be admitted directly by following these admission criteria: <a href="https://www.siu.edu/undergraduate/direct-entry-meridian/education-health-human-behavior.shtml">https://www.siu.edu/undergraduate/direct-entry-meridian/education-health-human-behavior.shtml</a>
<b>Course Requirements</b>	Exercise Science and Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology require additional university courses for admission to their programs.				These courses are offering by the University and students are advised by their advisors on what courses they to take to declare.
<b>Links</b>	<a href="https://www.siu.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/exercise-science/admission-requirements.shtml">https://www.siu.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/exercise-science/admission-requirements.shtml</a>  <a href="https://www.siu.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/slp/admission-requirements.shtml">https://www.siu.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/slp/admission-requirements.shtml</a>				
<b>Names</b>	College of Arts and Sciences	Mathematics and Statistics		Mathematical Studies	
<b>Course Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete MATH 120 and 125, or mathematics courses having these as prerequisites (or equivalent courses at another accredited institution of higher education), have a GPA of 2.0 or higher in all university mathematics courses, and have a GPA of 2.0 or higher in all SIUE courses taken.</li> </ul>				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete in high school seven semesters of university preparatory mathematics courses, including a course in trigonometry, and have no grade lower than a C in those courses. Students who do not qualify for admission into an academic program in the department but hope to seek admission later are encouraged to obtain advice from a faculty member in the department.</li> </ul>				
<b>Links</b>	<a href="https://www.siue.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/math/admission-requirements.shtml">https://www.siue.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/math/admission-requirements.shtml</a>				

**List all required and recommended courses for undergraduate admissions that you will add for 2022-2023 AY.**

	<b>General</b>	<b>Colleges</b>	<b>Departments</b>	<b>Programs</b>	<b>Majors</b>
<b>2022-2023 (New Course Requirements)</b>	<b>None</b>				
<b>2022-2023 (New Course Recommendations)</b>	<b>None</b>				