CREATION OF A NEW MATH AND COMPUTING DOMAIN

The two-course requirement in the First-Year Program (LSP 120 and 121, Quantitative Reasoning and Technological Literacy I and II) will change to a three-course requirement effective Autumn 2021:

EXISTING

- LSP 120: Quantitative Reasoning & Tech. Literacy I
- LSP 121: Quantitative Reasoning & Tech. Literacy II

NEW

- Quantitative Reasoning
  - LSP 120 or approved QR courses
- Statistical Reasoning
  - approved SR courses
- Computational Reasoning
  - approved CR courses

QR (First-Year Program)

NEW Math and Computing Domain (MCD)

REVISION OF THE SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY DOMAIN

Modification of the SID from 3 to 2 categories:

EXISTING

- SI-LAB
- SI-Elective
- SI-Science as a Way of Knowing

NEW

- SI-LAB
- SI-SWK
NEW POLICY SUMMARY

The STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) components of Liberal Studies were recently updated to enhance essential skills in DePaul's core curriculum. There is also a new domain, "Math and Computing" (MCD).

Beginning fall 2021, the default LSP requirement is one course each in Quantitative Reasoning (QR=LSP 120), Statistical Reasoning (1 MCD SR course), and Computational Reasoning (1 MCD CR course). A List of approved QR, SR, and CR courses can be found at the Liberal Studies Program webpage.

The Scientific Inquiry domain (SID) requirement is two courses: SI-Lab and SI-SWK (Science as a Way of Knowing).

NEW POLICY FAQS

Can my transfer courses fulfill QR or MCD requirements? Transfer classes and credit by examination will be treated with the same policy used for other LSP learning domains (see undergraduate handbook). Transfer courses are treated as their DePaul articulations for exemption purposes.

Exemption Policy – Statistics: Transfer credit equivalent to an existing SR course or more advanced course in Statistics fulfills the MCD SR requirement. A score of 3, 4, or 5 on the AP Statistics Exam waives SR in the MCD.

Exemption Policy – Computer Science: Transfer credit equivalent to an existing CR course or more advanced course in Computer Science fulfills the MCD CR requirement. A score of 3, 4, or 5 on the AP Computer Science Principles or a score of 3, 4, or 5 on the AP Computer Science A Exam waives CR in the MCD.

IAI-GECC: A student who transfers to DePaul having met the IAI-GECC requirements is exempt from QR and MCD.

What if I have taken Calculus? Any calculus course (taken at DePaul, or from transfer, CLEP, or AP-credit) may be used to fulfill any of the three QR/MCD requirements. For example, three quarters of Calculus would replace the QR (e.g. LSP 120) and two MCD requirements.

What about the SID courses I have taken? These changes do not apply to current DePaul students (i.e. students who matriculate prior to Autumn 2021)

Will proficiency exams be offered? The Quantitative Reasoning Proficiency Exam may be taken at any time by any student. A student who passes the Proficiency Exam is exempt from the QR requirement. Passing the exam earns no credit hours. A student who passes the exam will have an additional open elective in his or her program. DePaul does not offer proficiency exams for courses in the MCD.

What if I am in the Honors Program? The QR and MCD requirements do not apply to students in the Honors Program. Students in Honors take HON 180, "Data Analysis and Statistics."

What if I am in a BFA Program? Students in the BFA programs are required to take QR or demonstrate proficiency via the QR Proficiency Exam. Passing the exam earns no credit hours; a student who passes the exam will have an additional open elective in his or her program.

Does the Modern Language Option waiver apply? Modern Language Option waivers cannot be applied to courses in MCD and SID.

Will there be Tutoring? Tutoring support is available to all students enrolled in these courses regardless of geographical location (LPC, Loop, Online).

Where do I go for Student Support? Your advisor can explain these changes as they relate to your major. For more policy specifications and links to resources please visit the LSP webpage.