

MBA Quantitative Skills Course

MBA Quantitative Skills course is a new resource available to admitted students to help you prepare for the math and statistics aspects of your upcoming MBA program. Designed by Berkeley Haas and UCLA Anderson School of Business in consultation with current MBA students and faculty, the class will provide you with instruction on the mathematical and quantitative principles directly applicable to your upcoming MBA coursework.

This is a recommended, but not required resource to refresh yourself on the quantitative skills you'll be using here at Haas. **If you're currently taking or have taken Math for Management through UC Berkeley Extension, there's no need to take this additional course.** For those who have not, we recommend logging into the course and reviewing the modules to brush up on the skills you haven't had the opportunity to use recently.

Below are answers to frequently asked questions about the MBA Quantitative Skills Course. If you don't see your answer here, please contact:

- For technical questions: [Haas Digital Support](#) with the subject "CANVAS - MBA Quantitative Skills Course"
- For academic/content questions: The course instructor, [David Ravtech](#)
- For other questions: The admissions office at ewmbaadm@haas.berkeley.edu

FAQs:

Course Content

Who should take this course?

Anyone that would like to brush up on and/or acquire quantitative skills in preparation for starting their MBA study. We highly recommend that, at a minimum, everyone log into the course and review each of the topics to ensure you have a familiarity with them before starting your program.

Is this course required?

No, this course is not required. It is an optional, but highly recommended resource to let you hit the ground running when you begin the program.

What topics are covered in this course?

The course is divided into 7 modules:

- Algebra
- Linear Equations
- Calculus
- Finance
- Probability Parts 1 and 2

- Introduction to Statistics

For more details on each module we recommend logging into the course and reviewing the material covered.

How long does it take to complete the course?

The class has 7 modules. Each module is intended to take you about 5 days; however, you may go slower or more quickly depending on your experience with the topics and how much time you invest each week.

Do I need to take the complete class?

If you have the time, we suggest that you complete the entire course. This should give you a solid foundation in the quantitative skills you'll use throughout your MBA career. However, if you'd like to complete just the modules that you feel you need, that's fine too. We recommend logging into the course and reviewing the material covered to customize your experience. You'll have access to the course videos until you graduate if you want to come back and review additional material at a later date.

How long do I have to complete the course?

It is recommended you complete the course before July 15th, 2022 in preparation for the start of MBA study. Additionally, the instructor will be available for assistance until that date. The videos will be available to you until you graduate from Haas.

Does this course have a fee associated with it?

The course videos and instructor access is offered free of charge to incoming students. If you'd like access to testing and extra practice or depth on the material, there is the option to purchase an online textbook, access to testing, and practice problems through MyMathLab for a fee of approximately \$100.

Is there a textbook required?

The textbook is not required to watch the videos and participate in discussions. It is highly suggested that you enroll in MyMathLab (a fee of approximately \$100 with access until June 15, 2023), where you will find the eText, which is a terrific resource, and additional problems to supplement your learning with practice. If you decide to take the tests, **all testing is administered through MyMathLab.**

Is this course for credit and graded?

This is not a credit-bearing course. you *can* receive a grade if you buy the textbook and finish all the exams (requires MyMathLab). But, this is not necessary – you can also just watch the videos and complete the extra problems offered within each module. It depends on how much depth you feel you need in the topics.

I've already taken an MBA math preparation course. Do I need to take this course?

Each MBA preparation class is different. Unless you have taken or are taking UC Berkeley Extension's Math for Management course, we highly recommend that you log into the course

and review each of the topics to ensure you have a familiarity with them before starting your program. If you have any additional questions about the material covered, please reach out to the instructor, [David Ravtech](#).

I'm an engineering or business major. Do I need to take this course?

The coursework for each major and institution varies, as does their applicability to the Haas MBA curriculum. We highly recommend that you log into the course and review each of the topics to ensure you have a familiarity with them before starting your program. If you have any additional questions about the material covered, please reach out to the instructor, [David Ravtech](#).

Access and Support

How do I access this course? Do I need a log in?

You should have received an email sent to your personal email address (the one you put in your application) from Canvas with your login and temporary password. You will need to create a Canvas account with the email address that the invitation was sent to (not your berkeley.edu address). After you create your Canvas account you will have access to the course.

Please check this guide to Accessing Canvas:

<https://guides.instructure.com/m/4212//1277795-how-do-i-accept-an-email-invitation-to-join-a-canvas-course-as-a-student>

What if I'm having trouble accessing the course?

If you're still having trouble, email Haas Support: helpdesk@haas.berkeley.edu

Please include: MBA Quantitative Skills Course and "Canvas" in the subject of the email.

What if I need help with some of the class material?

Answers to academic questions should be directed to the instructor through the Canvas site until July 15th, 2022. The course offers message boards and the ability to connect to the instructor.