

Weekly Highlight: *MathCamp*

To: Entering MBA Students, 2016

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Re: Required Pre-skills in Business Math

The Smith MBA program begins with intensely quantitative core courses. In order to ensure that you are able to maximize your learning during this part of the program, it is essential to enter the program with well-developed pre-skills in basic business mathematics.

Business math skills are needed for several core and elective courses in the MBA program. In the early part of the program, core courses such as Managerial Economics, Data, Models and Decisions and Financial Management require, and assume of all students, a thorough familiarity with basic math.

If your math skills are either (a) under-developed or (b) have become rusty due to disuse, it is strongly recommend that you attend *MathCamp*, a 3-day refresher course in math that is specifically tailored to the Smith MBA program.

All details of this program including instructions for registration, a list of specific topics covered in *MathCamp*, and a self-scoring quiz to help you decide whether you should attend or not can be found on the [MathCamp page](#) on the Incoming Student Website.

As you embark on your MBA degree, you undoubtedly have several conflicting demands on your time that may make it difficult for you to attend *MathCamp*. However, please note that in the past, many students have belatedly regretted the fact that they did participate in this pre-skills program before starting their regular coursework.