



To: Incoming Flex MBA Students

From: Prof. Ryan Cooper, Instructor *BUSI 681: Managerial Economics & Public Policy*

Re: Math Camp for *BUSI 681: Managerial Economics & Public Policy*

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An advance welcome to *BUSI 681: Managerial Economics & Public Policy*, one of your required courses for Fall 2021! Managerial Economics is a foundational class that applies economic principles to understand the business environment and firm strategic decision making. The conceptual frameworks from this course form a foundation for subsequent courses in the Smith MBA curriculum and managerial practice. In order to prepare you for the quantitative aspects of *Managerial Economics*, I will be holding a Math Camp during the month of August. This camp will consist of four one-hour sessions held over Zoom. The instruction for each of the four sessions will be identical in terms of content covered, and you are free to attend as many or as few as you think you need to attend. After each session, I will remain in the meeting as long as people stick around to ask questions.

The math skills you will need to successfully complete *BUSI 681* are mostly algebra with a bit of basic geometry and calculus. To help determine whether you need to attend any or all of the Math Camp sessions, please watch the math asynchronous supplement found on Canvas in the "Math Pre-Skills" module (found in Modules) and take the "Math Pre-Skills Quiz" found in the same module. If you cannot confidently solve all of the problems in the video and in the quiz, I very strongly recommend that you come to at least one session of the Math Camp.

The dates and times for the camp are tentatively scheduled as follows:

- Session #1: Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, from 7-8 PM
- Session #2: Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, from 7-8 PM
- Session #3: Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, from 8-9 PM
- Session #4: Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, from 9-10 PM

I will post the links for each session on Canvas closer to the dates. Feel free to contact me at [rcooper@umd.edu](mailto:rcooper@umd.edu) if you have any questions. Also, this is a good opportunity to make sure that you have Canvas properly configured so that Canvas messages will go to an inbox that you check regularly, because the chief communication for many of your courses will come from Canvas.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and I will see you in August!

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