

July 23, 2008

Dear Articulation Officers and Counselors,

I hope your summer is off to a great start. As always for students, faculty, and staff of the Haas School of Business Undergraduate Program at UC Berkeley, the Academic Year began in early July. The summer component of our program continues to be a wonderful opportunity for students to get a head start on our required core business courses and to get off to a cohesive start together at Haas.

We would like to make you aware of the following admission policies and hope you will pass this information along to your students:

Breadth

The breadth requirement has changed from the 9-Course Breadth to the College of Letters and Science 7-Course Breadth for students applying in Fall 2009 and beyond.

Students applying in Fall 2008 must follow the 9-Course Breadth Requirement.

The new Seven-Course breadth requirement consists of the following categories:

- Arts and Literature
- Biological Science
- Historical Studies
- International Studies
- Philosophy and Values
- Physical Science
- Social and Behavioral

Students must take one course from each category. All 7 courses must be completed by the end of the Spring term prior to their start at the Haas Undergraduate Program.

Students must meet the breadth requirement through course work. Advanced Placement, A level or International Baccalaureate credit will not fulfill breadth requirements.

All courses must be UC transferable and carry at least 2 semester or 3 quarter units.

Business courses, prerequisites and micro/macro economics cannot be used for breadth.

The above changes will be reflected on the 08-09 articulation agreements on www.assist.org

Computer Science Prerequisite

Haas has eliminated the computer science prerequisite. Computer science is no longer required for admission.

Students Admitted to UC Berkeley as Junior Transfers to Other Majors

Transfer students who are interested in the business major at UC Berkeley should apply directly to the Business Administration major of the Haas School of Business. Students admitted to UC Berkeley as junior transfers to any other College/major are no longer eligible to apply to the Haas Undergraduate Program after they enroll at Berkeley.

Repeating Prerequisites

If a student has repeated or taken more than one course to fulfill a prerequisite, the student must use the first attempt to satisfy the requirement if a grade of C- or higher was received. If a student receives a D+ or lower in a prerequisite the course must be repeated. If the student received a C- or higher for the first attempt the prerequisite should not be repeated.

Foreign Language

For many students who attended high school outside of the United States, English is their foreign language. For example, if a student went to high school in China where the language of instruction was Mandarin and took the 3rd level of English, then English is considered the foreign language.

Literature/Writing Requirement

Reading and composition courses cannot be used to fulfill the literature/writing requirement.

The Literature/Writing requirement is in addition to the English/R&C requirement and must be satisfied by the completion of a literature or writing course offered by the English, English Literature or English Writing departments. English/Reading and Composition and ESL courses cannot be used to fulfill this requirement. The course must be UC-transferable for at least 3 semester or 4 quarter units.

I encourage all of you to contact me if you have any questions or comments and I ask you to assist us by forwarding this e-mail to students who may be interested in the business major at UC Berkeley.

Thank you,

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