MATHEMATICS (MINOR)

Program Description

Mathematics is the cornerstone of science. It provides both the language and framework for scientific thought, incorporating logical rigor and the power of abstraction. These attributes allow human ingenuity to extract deep scientific understanding from relatively simple experiments and physical observations. Mathematics plays a double role: On the one hand, it is a scientific field of its own that has yielded powerful and surprisingly beautiful theroretical constructions. On the other hand, mathematics provides the toolbox needed to solve problems and to model phenomena observed in nature or of interest in industry and technology. As such, mathematics allows humans to model the physical universe, to build efficient algorithms in computing, to develop powerful artificial intelligence methods, to analyze financial markets, to produce predictions for climate science, to map and study the human genome, to analyze the structure of the human brain, and a long list of etcetera's.

NYU Shanghai offers two tracks for a degree in Mathematics: Mathematics and Honors Mathematics. Both tracks develop the pure and applied aspects of the discipline. Math majors acquire a solid grasp of the main areas of mathematics while being invited, through a number of electives courses, to apply this knowledge in a wide range of areas, including computer science, physics, chemistry, engineering, data science, operations research, finance, etc. Graduates are qualified either to continue with further graduate education, or to start a career in industry, financial institutions, logistics, statistical consulting, or any activity requiring abstraction capability, mathematical modeling skills or relying on intensive computational or quantitative techniques.

The Honors Math track requires students to take the Honors version of the mandatory Math courses and to keep both a general and a Math Cumulative GPA higher or equal to 3.65. Honors courses have a broader scope and breadth than the regular courses, exposing students to general definitions and complete proofs. The Honors program is very demanding, as the combination of distinguished professors and a homogeneous selected audience results in fast moving courses that often become undistinguishable from graduate courses.

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Four courses at the Calculus level or higher.		16
Total Credits		16

Policies Minor Policies

Students may minor in subjects outside of their major. A minor in a secondary subject enables a student to acquire a useful understanding of concepts and analysis without the same degree of coverage as would be obtained in a major. A grade of C or better is required for a course to be counted toward a minor. If a student fails a course required for the minor, the course must be retaken at NYU; a course taken outside the University will not normally be allowed to substitute for a minor requirement. No course for the minor may be taken as pass/fail. Students may use Core Curriculum classes to fill minor requirements but at least 12 credits of the minor must be unique to the minor, meaning that it is not double-counted with any other major, minor, or core requirement.

Additionally, no single course may be used to meet more than two requirements.

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/).

NYU Shanghai Policies

Additional academic policies can be found on the NYU Shanghai Academic Policies page (https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/ shanghai/academic-policies/).