

Prerequisites, Corequisites, Advisories

What are Prerequisites, Corequisites, and Advisories?

It is our intent to guide students into courses in which they will have the greatest chance for academic success. Therefore, you will find courses which have prerequisites, corequisites, or advisories in their description. Following are the definitions for prerequisites, corequisites, and advisories on recommended preparation:

- a. "Prerequisite" is a course requirement that a student must meet in order to demonstrate current readiness for enrollment in a course or educational program.
- b. "Corequisite" means a course that a student is required to simultaneously take in order to enroll in another course.
- c. "Advisory or recommended preparation" means a condition of enrollment that a student is advised, but not required, to meet before or in conjunction with enrollment in a course or educational program.

Prerequisite Challenge Procedure for Students

If you feel that you can meet the requirements, or if one of the conditions below exists, then you can challenge a prerequisite. A Prerequisite Challenge Form can be obtained from any Division Office. The form will explain what you must do. Criteria for challenging a course are:

1. You have knowledge or ability to succeed in the course without the prerequisite.
2. The course that provides the prerequisite is not readily available.
3. You believe that the prerequisite is discriminatory or being applied in that manner.

Once you have completed the challenge procedure, your challenge will be reviewed by instructional faculty. You will be informed in writing of the committee's determination within five working days.