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Michael K. Young President

October 16, 2013

Dean Robert C. Stacey College of Arts and Sciences Box 353765

Dear Bob:

Based on the recommendation of its Subcommittee on Admissions and Programs, the Faculty Council on Academic Standards has recommended approval of the revised program requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics. A copy of the change is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the Department of Mathematics is authorized to specify these requirements beginning autumn quarter 2013.

The new requirements should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,

Michael K. Young

President

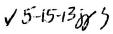
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Ms. Brooke Miller (with enclosure)

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We would like to change the program requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Standard Option in Mathematics. We currently require 26 credits of math electives and would like to change this to say we require eight courses rather than credits. There are two reasons for this request. The most important reason is because our courses are three credits each and students have to take nine courses to meet the 26 credit requirement. We often have students petition us to waive one or two credits so they don't have to take another math course to meet the 26 credit elective requirement. The second reason is UW Bothell has created several math courses for five credits each and we are seeing an increasing number of students wanting to take these courses to meet the BA elective requirement. This would mean these students would end up taking fewer electives than a student who took all their math electives at UW Seattle. If we require courses instead of credits, this will resolve both these issues.

As part of this change, we would also like to add Math 300 as a program requirement. It is currently required for all our other undergraduate degree programs but is an elective for this major. We feel it is an important enough course that it should be required for all our math majors. If we add this as a major requirement, we would then adjust the total number of electives to eight courses.

This change would add one additional credit to the total credits required for this degree program.