MASTER OF SCIENCE (M.S.) MAJOR IN MATHEMATICS (THESIS OPTION)

Texas State offers opportunities to work with outstanding faculty in a collegial atmosphere where mathematicians and mathematics educators work closely together. The multi-faceted programs offer a strong mathematics foundation and research opportunities in mathematics and mathematics education, preparing students for further graduate study, teaching, or industry positions.

Application Requirements

The items listed below are required for admission consideration for applicable semesters of entry during the current academic year. Submission instructions, additional details, and changes to admission requirements for semesters other than the current academic year can be found on The Graduate College's website (http://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu). International students should review the International Admission Documents webpage (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/admission-documents/international) for additional requirements.

- completed online ApplyTexas application
- $40 nonrefundable application fee
- $50 nonrefundable international evaluation fee (if applicable)
- baccalaureate degree in mathematics or a related field from a regionally accredited university
- official transcripts required from each institution where course credit was granted
- minimum 2.75 GPA in your last 60 hours of undergraduate course work (plus any completed graduate courses)
- resume/CV
- statement of purpose
- three letters of recommendation addressing the substance and quality of the student's preparation for graduate study

TOEFL or IELTS Scores

Non-native English speakers who do not qualify for an English proficiency waiver.

- official TOEFL iBT scores required with a 78 overall
- official IELTS (academic) scores required with a 6.5 overall and minimum individual module scores of 6.0

This program does not offer admission if the scores above are not met.

Degree Requirements

The Master of Science (M.S.) degree with a major in Mathematics requires 30 semester credit hours, including a thesis.

Students who do not have the appropriate background course work may be required to complete leveling courses.

Course Requirements

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Electives

Choose 15 hours from the following:

- MATH 5301 | Partial Differential Equations
- MATH 5305 | Advanced Course in Probability and Statistics
- MATH 5306 | Ring Theory
- MATH 5311 | Foundations of Differential Equations
- MATH 5312 | Functions of a Complex Variable
- MATH 5313 | Field Theory
- MATH 5314 | Number Theory
- MATH 5319 | The Theory of Integration
- MATH 5336 | Studies in Applied Mathematics
- MATH 5340 | Scientific Computation
- MATH 5345 | Regression Analysis
- MATH 5350 | Combinatorics
- MATH 5355 | Applied and Algorithmic Graph Theory
- MATH 5358 | Applied Discrete Mathematics
- MATH 5360 | Mathematical Modeling
- MATH 5374 | Numerical Linear Algebra
- MATH 5376A | Design and Analysis of Experiments
  or MATH 5376B | Analysis of Variance
- MATH 5376C | Survival Analysis
- MATH 5376D | Statistical Applications in Genetics and Bioinformatics
- MATH 5382 | Foundation of Real Analysis
- MATH 5390 | Statistics
- MATH 5393 | Numerical Optimization

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Choose a minimum of 3 hours from the following:

- MATH 5199B | Thesis
- MATH 5299B | Thesis
- MATH 5399B | Thesis
- MATH 5599B | Thesis
- MATH 5999B | Thesis

Total Hours 30

Comprehensive Examination Requirements

All candidates for graduate degrees must pass one or more comprehensive examinations.

If a student elects to follow the thesis option for the degree, a committee to direct the written thesis will be established. The thesis must demonstrate the student's capability for research and independent thought. Preparation of the thesis must be in conformity with
The only grades assigned for thesis courses are PR (progress), CR (credit), W (withdraw), and F (failing). If acceptable progress is not being made in a thesis course, the instructor may issue a grade of F. If the student is making acceptable progress, a grade of PR is assigned until the thesis is completed. The minimum number of hours of thesis credit ("CR") will be awarded only after the thesis has been both approved by The Graduate College and released to Alkek Library.

A student who has selected the thesis option must be registered for the thesis course during the term or Summer I (during the summer, the thesis course runs ten weeks for both sessions) in which the degree will be conferred.

**Thesis Deadlines and Approval Process**
Thesis deadlines are posted on The Graduate College (http://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu) website under "Current Students." The completed thesis must be submitted to the chair of the thesis committee on or before the deadlines listed on The Graduate College website.

The following must be submitted to The Graduate College by the thesis deadline listed on The Graduate College website:

1. The Thesis Submission Approval Form bearing original (wet) and/or electronic signatures of the student and all committee members.
2. One (1) PDF of the thesis in final form, approved by all committee members, uploaded in the online Vireo submission system.

After the dean of The Graduate College approves the thesis, Alkek Library will harvest the document from the Vireo submission system for publishing in the Digital Collections database (according to the student’s embargo selection). **NOTE: MFA Creative Writing theses will have a permanent embargo and will never be published to Digital Collections.**

While original (wet) signatures are preferred, there may be situations as determined by the chair of the committee in which obtaining original signatures is inefficient or has the potential to delay the student’s progress. In those situations, the following methods of signing are acceptable:

- signing and faxing the form
- signing, scanning, and emailing the form
- notifying the department in an email from their university's or institution’s email account that the committee chair can sign the form on their behalf
- electronically signing the form using the university's licensed signature platform.

If this process results in more than one document with signatures, all documents need to be submitted to The Graduate College together.

No copies are required to be submitted to Alkek Library. However, the library will bind copies submitted that the student wants bound for personal use. Personal copies are not required to be printed on archival quality paper. The student will take the personal copies to Alkek Library and pay the binding fee for personal copies.

**Master’s level courses in Mathematics:** MATH (p. 3), MTE (p. 3)
Courses Offered

Mathematics (MATH)

MATH 5111. Graduate Assistant Training.
This course is concerned with techniques used in the teaching of mathematics. This course is required as a condition of employment for graduate teaching and instructional assistants. This course does not earn graduate degree credit. Repeatable with different emphasis.
1 Credit Hour. 1 Lecture Contact Hour. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Graduate Assistantship Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

MATH 5199B. Thesis.
This course represents a student's continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding.
1 Credit Hour. 1 Lecture Contact Hour. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

MATH 5299B. Thesis.
This course represents a student's continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding.
2 Credit Hours. 2 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

MATH 5301. Partial Differential Equations.
Theory and application of partial differential equations; derivation of the differential equation; use of vector and Tensor methods; equations of the first order; wave equations; vibrations and normal functions; Fourier series and integral; Cauchy's methods, initial data; methods of Green; potentials; boundary problems; methods of Riemann-Volterra; characteristics. Prerequisites: MATH 3323 and consent of the instructor.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5303. History of Mathematics.
A study of the development of mathematics and of the accomplishments of men and women who contributed to its progress. Cannot be used on a degree plan for M.S. degree. Prerequisite: MATH 2472 with a grade of "C" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5304. Topics in Mathematics for the Secondary Teacher.
A study of the current trends and topics found in the secondary school mathematics curriculum with the goal of improving the mathematical background of the secondary teacher. Course content will be flexible and topics will be selected on the basis of student needs and interests. Cannot be used on degree plan for M.S. degree. Prerequisite: MATH 2472 with a grade of "C" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5305. Advanced Course in Probability and Statistics.
Advanced topics in probability and statistics. May be repeated once with different emphasis for additional credit. Prerequisite: MATH 3305.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5306. Ring Theory.
Prerequisite: MATH 4307 with a grade of "C" or better, or MATH 5384 with a grade of "B" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5307. Modern Algebra.
Topics in modern algebra. Material will be adapted to the needs of the class. Prerequisite: MATH 4307 with a grade of "C" or better, or MATH 5384 with a grade of "B" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

A critical study of the foundations of derivation equations, operator spaces, and such basic topics. Recent developments in this field will be investigated and independent investigation will be encouraged. Prerequisite: MATH 3373 with a grade of "C" or better, and either MATH 3380 or MATH 5382.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5312. Functions of a Complex Variable.
Modern developments in the field of a complex variable. Prerequisite: MATH 3373 with a grade of "C" or better; and MATH 3380 or MATH 5382; and MATH 4315 or departmental approval.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5313. Field Theory.
Topics in field theory, separable extensions, and Galois Theory. Prerequisite: MATH 4307 with a grade of "C" or better, or MATH 5384 with a grade of "B" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5314. Number Theory.
Topics in algebra selected from quadratic forms, elementary number theory, algebraic or analytic number theory, with material adapted to the needs of the class. Prerequisite: MATH 4307 with a grade of "C" or better, or MATH 5384 with a grade of "B" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5315. Mathematical Statistics.
This course discusses theoretical aspects of estimation theory and hypothesis testing procedures, with some of their important applications. The main topics include convergence of random variables, parameter estimation, properties of estimators, interval estimation, sufficiency and applications to the exponential family, hypothesis testing, decision theory, and Bayesian inference. Prerequisite: Instructor approval.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
MATH 5317. Problems in Advanced Mathematics.
Open to graduate students on an individual basis by arrangement with
the mathematics department. A considerable degree of mathematical
maturity is required. May be repeated with different emphasis. This
course does not earn graduate degree credit.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Leveling/Assistantships

MATH 5319. The Theory of Integration.
A course in the theory of integration with special emphasis on the
Lebesgue integrals. A course in the theory of real variables, with a
knowledge of point set theory, is desirable as a background for this
course. A considerable amount of mathematical maturity is required.
Prerequisite: MATH 4315 with a grade of "C" or better, or departmental
approval.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5329. General Topology.
Point-set topology with an emphasis on general topological spaces;
separation axioms, connectivity, the metrization theorem, and the C-
W complexes. Prerequisite: MATH 4330 with a grade of "C" or better, or
departmental approval.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5331. Metric Spaces.
Point-set topology with an emphasis on metric spaces and compactness
but including a brief introduction to general topological spaces.
Prerequisite: MATH 4330 with a grade of "C" or better, or departmental
approval.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Topics selected from optimization and control theory, numerical analysis,
calculus of variations, boundary value problems, special functions, or
tensor analysis. May be repeated with different emphasis for additional
credit. Prerequisites: Six hours of advanced mathematics pertinent to
topic and consent of the instructor.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5340. Scientific Computation.
This course will involve the analysis of algorithms from science and
mathematics, and the implementation of these algorithms using a
computer algebra system. Symbolic numerical and graphical techniques
will be studied. Applications will be drawn from science, engineering,
and mathematics. A knowledge of differential equations is expected.
Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Lab Required
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5345. Regression Analysis.
This course introduces formulation and statistical methodologies for
simple and multiple regression, assessment of model fit, model design,
and criteria for selection of optimal regression models. Students will
develop skills with the use of statistical packages and the writing of
reports analyzing a variety of real-world data. Prerequisite: MATH 2472.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5350. Combinatorics.
This course covers permutations, combinations, Stirling numbers,
chromatic numbers, Ramsey numbers, generating functions, Polya theory,
Latin squares and random block design. Prerequisite: MATH 3398 or
consent of instructor.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5355. Applied and Algorithmic Graph Theory.
This course is designed to emphasize the close tie between the
theoretical and algorithmic aspects. The topics may include basic
concepts such as connectivity, trees, planarity, coloring of graphs,
mappings, and networks. It also covers many algorithms such as Max-
flow Min-cut algorithm, maximum matching algorithm, and optimization
algorithms for facility location problems in networks. Prerequisite:
MATH 5388 or MATH 3398.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Boolean algebra, counting techniques, discrete probability, graph
theory, and related discrete mathematical structures that are commonly
encountered in computer science. Prerequisite: MATH 2472 with a grade
of "C" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5360. Mathematical Modeling.
This course introduces the process and techniques of mathematical
modeling. It covers a variety of application areas from the natural
sciences. Emphasis is placed on deterministic systems, stochastic
models, and diffusion. Prerequisite: MATH 3373, MATH 3323, and
MATH 5301, or consent of instructor.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5373. Theory of Functions of Real Variables.
This course will discuss those topics that will enable the student to
obtain a better grasp of the fundamental concepts of the calculus
of real variables and the more recent developments of this analysis.
Prerequisite: MATH 4315 with a grade of "C" or better, or departmental
approval.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
MATH 5374. Numerical Linear Algebra.
This course introduces tools that mathematical scientists use with vectors and matrices. Applications include least squares and eigenvalue problems, and systems of equations from applied mathematics. The stability of algorithms to perturbations are considered. Theory is balanced with numerically implementing algorithms, in particular for iterative methods for large, sparse systems. Prerequisite: MATH 3377 with a "C" or better.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5376A. Design and Analysis of Experiments.
This course introduces fundamental concepts in the design of experiments, justification of linear models, randomization and principles of blocking. It also discusses the construction and analysis of basic designs including fractional replication, composite designs, factorial designs, and incomplete block designs. Prerequisite: Approval of instructor.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5376B. Analysis of Variance.
This course introduces basic methods, one-way, two-way ANOVA procedures, and multifactor ANOVA designs. Prerequisite: Approval of instructor.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5376C. Survival Analysis.
This course introduces basic concepts and methods in the analysis of survival data. Topics include characteristics of survival data, basic functions, parametric models for survival time, maximum likelihood estimation of survival function, two-sample test techniques, regression analysis with parametric and semi-parametric models, and mathematical and graphical methods for model checking. Prerequisite: Math 5315; or permission of instructor.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing|Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5376D. Statistical Applications in Genetics and Bioinformatics.
The statistical concepts and methods to be covered include important probability distributions, analysis of variance, regression analysis, hidden Markov model, and Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods. These methods will be used to address important and challenging questions arising in the analysis of large genetic and bioinformatic datasets. Prerequisite: Math4305 or equivalent.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing|Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MATH 5381. Foundations of Set Theory.
A formal study of the theory of sets, relations, functions, finite and infinite sets, set operations and other selected topics. This course will also train the student in the understanding of mathematical logic and the writing of proofs. Prerequisite: MATH 2472 with a grade of "C" or better.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
MATH 5399A. Thesis.
This course represents a student's initial thesis enrollment. No thesis credit is awarded until student has completed the thesis in Mathematics 5399B.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

MATH 5399B. Thesis.
This course represents a student's continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

MATH 5599B. Thesis.
This course represents a student's continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding.
5 Credit Hours. 5 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

Mathematics for Teacher Education (MTE)

MTE 5301E. Visual Models for Middle School Mathematics.
This course uses visual models to motivate understanding of the fundamental concepts underlying middle school mathematics. Pedagogical techniques to engage middle school students will also be addressed including inquiry-based instructional methods utilizing these visual models.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MTE 5302A. Quantitative Reasoning.
This course covers current pedagogy, curriculum, and methods related specifically to the teaching of middle school mathematics. Some of the topics explored are curriculum theory, instructional theory, learning theory, problem solving, national and state standards and assessment, discovery learning, assessment methods, manipulative, and technology in the classroom.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MTE 5301F. Implementing New Mathematics Curriculum.
In this course we will investigate the keys to successfully implementing new curriculum. Two main aspects considered are: 1) the mathematical content knowledge required for a new curriculum and 2) how to build a community of practice which provides support during the implementation process.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MTE 5310G. Mathematics for Teaching.
A study of the current trends and topics found in the secondary school mathematics curriculum taught from an advance perspective. Course context will be flexible and topics will be selected on the basis of student needs and interests.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MTE 5315. Algebraic Reasoning.
This course will focus on using algebraic reasoning to investigate patterns, make generalizations, formulate mathematical models, and make predications; using properties, graphs, and applications of relations and function to analyze, model and solve problems; and making connections among geometric, graphic, numeric and symbolic representation of functions and relations.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MTE 5317. Math Modeling.
This course will focus on modeling problems, applying appropriate mathematical analysis and drawing conclusions from the analysis; solving problems recursively, using linear and non-linear functions and using geometry and discrete mathematics to solve problems in Science, Music, and Art. Prerequisite: MTE 5315.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MTE 5319. Concepts of Calculus.
A first course in differential and integral calculus. The student will explore the slope of secant lines, average velocity, limit, instantaneous velocity, derivative, slope of a curve at a point, area under a graph, integrals, fundamental theorem of calculus, and applications. Prerequisite: MTE 5317 or consent of department chair.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
This course will deal with using graphical and numerical techniques to explore data, characterize patterns, and describe departures from patterns; designing experiments to solve problems; understanding the theory of probability and its relationship to sampling and statistical inference and its use in making and evaluating predictions. Prerequisite: MTE 5315.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

MTE 5323. Logic and Foundations of Mathematics.
This course will consist of an introduction to fundamental mathematical structures and techniques of proof. Topics will include: logic, set theory, number theory, relations, and functions. Emphasis will be placed on communication about mathematics and construction of well-reasoned explanations. Prerequisite: MTE 5313 and MTE 5319.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter