

Registration Information for Economics 406 - Fall 2009
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Demand for ECON 406 is high, as befits a subject as lively and important as using data to inform policy and business decisions, and to create new knowledge, via the application of linear regression methods.

This memo lays out the rules for registering for this course.

Students who have completed ECON 405 regardless of major

You should be able to register for the course without any problems. If the course is full, you should add yourself to the wait list for your preferred section. You will be offered the opportunity to enroll when a slot opens up.

Students who are declared economics majors but have not completed ECON 405

Note: because of the way the system is programmed, students who have not completed ECON 405 cannot get on the waitlist.

If you have *completed* or are *presently enrolled in* STAT 426 then you should contact Olga Mustata (omustata at umich dot edu) in the economics main office directly. You need to provide her with your student number and your preferred section number. She will grant you an automatic override, provided the course is not already full. If it is full, then you must wait until the fall, at which point you will have top priority for admission.

If you believe that you have *completed* the equivalent to ECON 405 or STAT 426 at another institution you should contact Prof. Smith (econjeff at umich dot edu) directly. You should provide the institution name, course department, title and number, name of the textbook and name of the instructor and a copy of your official transcript from the other institution showing that the course has been completed. Prof. Smith, perhaps in cooperation with the departmental advising staff, will evaluate your preparation and make a person-specific decision regarding an override.

If you *plan to complete* the equivalent to ECON 405 or STAT 426 at another institution prior to the Fall 2009 semester then you should contact Prof. Smith (econjeff at umich dot edu) directly *once you have done so*. You should provide the institution name, course department, title and number, name of the textbook and name of the instructor and a copy of your official transcript from the other institution showing that the course has been completed. Prof. Smith, perhaps in cooperation with the departmental advising staff, will evaluate your preparation and make a person-specific decision regarding an override.

If you do not fall into one of these categories, then you lack adequate preparation for ECON 406 and will not be granted an override. In particular, STAT 350 and ECON 404 do not constitute adequate preparation for ECON 406.

Students who are not declared economics majors and have not completed ECON 405

If you have completed or are presently enrolled in STAT 426 then you must wait until the start of the fall semester to register for Economics 406. Within this group, priority will be given to actuarial math majors. Among actuarial math majors, students will be admitted in order of class standing. If the class is already full at the start of the fall semester, no one in this group will be admitted.

If you believe that you have completed the equivalent of ECON 405 or STATS 426 at another institution, or plan to do so prior to the start of the Fall 2009 semester, you should contact Prof. Smith directly at the start of the Fall 2009 semester. You should provide the institution name, course department, title and number, name of the textbook and name of the instructor and a copy of your official transcript from the other institution showing that the course has been completed. Prof. Smith, perhaps in cooperation with the departmental advising staff, will evaluate your preparation and make a person-specific decision regarding an override. However, even if your alternative preparation is approved, you will not be allowed to register until the start of the fall semester, and will be in the queue as described in the preceding paragraph.

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