

Department of Statistics Policy on Course Overrides (STA 210, STA 291, STA 570)

Capacity Overrides for STA 210, STA 291, and STA 570

Typically we cannot override capacity for any of our STA 210, STA 291, or STA 570 courses. These courses, all of which have a required lab or recitation, are capacity bound for one of two reasons:

- 1. Either the classroom assigned to the common lecture for the multi-section course is at capacity (even though there may be one or two seats in each of the associated recitation rooms) OR
- 2. The classroom for the common lecture is not at capacity but the rooms assigned for the recitations or labs are.

Summary: In either case the schedule was set up in such a way that when the course or section of a course closes it has closed for reasons of capacity. Hence, capacity overrides are not available.

The best advice is to get on the shortest waitlist for a section that will fit your schedule – not the section that you most prefer.

The waitlists are functioning as they were intended, so this electronic mechanism keeps the sections filled appropriately.

Prerequisite Overrides for STA 291

We are currently enforcing the calculus prerequisite for STA 291 electronically. Hence, a student who has not had MA 113 or MA 123 (or the equivalent) will not be able to register for STA 291.

This is not a co-requisite but a pre-requisite, so no override will be granted to students who are hoping to take calculus at the same time, except in very special situations.

You can contact the DUS at rayens@uky.edu if you feel your situation qualifies as special.

If you have had a calculus course transfer from another institution but it has not yet shown up officially in U.K.'s system (seems to be a fairly common problem), then with documentation of the transfer the STA DUS will grant a prerequisite override into any section *that is not at capacity*.

Summary

Prerequisite overrides are not going to be granted except in extreme cases (such as a graduating senior or a student who has been advised really badly), or a transfer credit for calculus that is in the U.K. system but not yet official. The intelligent use of capacity caps and waitlists manages this electronically. There is typically no reason for you to ask your instructor for an override. See the DUS in Statistics if you feel your case is special.