



Dear Bachelor of Management (BMGT) student,

We hope you are staying well.

With 2020W registration approaching, we are writing to notify you of some changes to the BMGT program that have recently been approved by the UBC Okanagan Senate and will be published in the upcoming release (mid-June) of the [UBC Okanagan Academic Calendar](#). These changes are the result of a combination of student feedback and careful consideration by the Faculty regarding flexibility to complete the BMGT program. These changes are summarized below:

1. **Promotion through the BMGT program** (moving from one year level to the next):
 - **Previous requirement:** you were required to have a certain number of academic credits, specific core courses completed, and a minimum GPA across those core courses to advance from one year level to the next
 - **New requirement:** promotion from one year level to the next will be based solely on the number of academic credits you have successfully completed.
 - This change is favourable for all students. Promotion requirements will now be:
 - First year standing: 0-23 credits completed
 - Second year standing: 24-47 credits completed
 - Third year standing: 48-77 credits completed
 - Fourth year Standing: 78 or more credits completed
 - You will not see the results of these changes in your SSC yet. We will be proactively advancing students who are positively impacted by this change before registration begins. We anticipate that we will have those changes complete by June 22. If you determine that this change impacts your advancement and is not reflected in your SSC by June 22, you can request a review by emailing fom.bmgt@ubc.ca.
2. **Course prerequisites:**
 - **Previous Requirement:** Most MGMT courses required specific year-standing in the BMGT program. For example, you needed Year 2 standing in the program to access 200-level MGMT courses. Based on previous promotion requirements, having Year 2 standing required that you had completed a specific set of 200-level courses. That full set of courses collectively served as prerequisites for courses at the 300-level.
 - **New Requirement:** Specific course-level prerequisites have been identified through extensive consultation with subject-matter experts for each individual course. These prerequisites now focus on the knowledge required for each course, rather than requiring sets of courses. In some cases, a specific year level standing is still a prerequisite for some courses; however, your year level is now based on the number of credits completed, rather than specific sets of courses.



These changes might be favourable for you (e.g., you will now have access to coursework that would not have been available under the previous requirements) or you might find there is minimal or no impact to your course selection. It is important to note that there are certain courses that are key prerequisites for several subsequent courses (e.g., MGMT 100, MGMT 110 and 3 credits of ENGL). Students who have not yet completed these fundamental courses may find that the new course prerequisites can limit their course selection. Given the recency of these changes, we are willing to consider waiving certain course prerequisites for the 2020W session. If your access to coursework has been negatively impacted by the new course prerequisites, please contact the Academic Programs Office at fom.bmgt@ubc.ca to discuss the option of requesting a course waiver.

3. **New Courses:** Three new courses have been added to the Academic Calendar
 - Previously, the upper level elective course *Intermediate Financial Accounting* was offered as a 6-credit course (MGMT 400) in one term. We have now introduced two new 3-credit courses spread across two terms to replace that six-credit course. Students interested in accounting should complete MGMT 300 (Intermediate Financial Accounting 1) and MGMT 304 (Intermediate Financial Accounting 2). MGMT 400 will no longer be offered. Students who have successfully completed MGMT 400 are not permitted to take MGMT 300 and/or MGMT 304 for credit.
 - We have introduced a new course, MGMT 414 (*Managing and Leading Non-Profit and Public Sector Organizations*).
4. **Removal of the 6 year limit for degree completion:**
 - **Previous requirement:** Students were required to complete their BMGT degree within 6 years of being admitted to the program.
 - **New requirement:** There is no time limit for completion of the BMGT degree.

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