The Statistics admission category at U of T Scarborough is your entry point to the science of learning from data, comprising all aspects of the collection, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data. This is a new category that we introduced this year as part of some exciting changes to the first-year experience for students in the Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences. The number of students admitted to this category is very limited. Admission is a strong recognition of hard work and scholastic achievement.

**Information for Students Admitted to the Statistics Admission Category**

**First year**
Students in the Statistics admission category will be enrolled in the first-year (A-level) courses required for Statistics.

Sample first-year courses:
- Discrete Mathematics
- Linear Algebra I for Mathematical Sciences
- Calculus I & II for Mathematical Sciences
- Introduction to Computer Science

In the summer months before beginning first year, students will be invited to Get Started, our engaging and interactive virtual academic orientation presented by the Academic Advising & Career Centre. Get Started presents all the information and tools students need for an academically successful first year. Students are guided in selecting first-year courses and receive answers to questions.

**After first year**
At the end of first year, students in the Statistics admission category can apply to enter the Statistics Specialist or Major program of study. Learn more about choosing a program of study on the Academic Advising & Career Centre website.

A student in the Statistics admission category will be admitted to the Statistics **Major** program of study if the following grade requirements are achieved:
1. Minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.3 over Introduction to Computer Science I/Introduction to Programming, Linear Algebra I for Mathematical Sciences, Calculus I for Physical Sciences/Calculus I for Mathematical Sciences, and Calculus II for Physical Sciences/Calculus II for Mathematical Sciences.

We offer three streams of the Statistics **Specialist** program of study (Statistical Science Stream, Quantitative Finance Stream, and Statistical Machine Learning & Data Science Stream). There are a limited number of spaces in each of the three streams. Students will be selected for admission based on their grades in the core first-year courses.

We anticipate that the vast majority of first-year students in the Statistics admission category will achieve the requirements for admission to either the Major or the Specialist. There is room in the Statistics Major program for all students in the Statistics admission category who meet the minimum requirements. In other words, students in the Statistics admission category are not competing with their classmates for a space in the Statistics Major program of study.
Applying to a different program after first year

Students admitted to the Statistics admission category may also apply to a different program after first year:

**Computer Science or Mathematics**
Students in the Statistics admission category have priority enrolment in Introduction to Computer Science I, Introduction to Computer Science II, Discrete Mathematics, Linear Algebra I for Mathematical Sciences, Calculus I for Mathematical Sciences, and Calculus II for Mathematical Sciences. Taking these courses will allow students to apply to programs in Computer Science and Mathematics at the end of first year. There are a limited number of spaces in those programs and admission will be based on grades in some of these courses.

**Other program of study**
Students admitted to the Statistics admission category may also choose to pursue a different program of study or combine majors or minors based on areas of interest. Enrolment in some programs is limited and students must meet standards to gain admittance. The U of T Scarborough Academic Calendar outlines prerequisites and grade requirements.

Please note: Minimum requirements vary each year depending on available spaces and the pool of eligible applicants.

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Information for Students Admitted to Another Admission Category

We anticipate having several spaces available in the Statistics Major and some spaces in the Statistics Specialist for students from other admission categories (Computer Science, Mathematics, and categories from other departments). The number of spaces will vary from year to year, depending on the number of successful applicants from the Statistics admission category. Students will be selected for admission to these spaces based on their grades in the required courses.

There is a high demand for Statistics programs. If you are not in the Statistics admission category, then the grades required to be admitted to one of these spaces will likely be higher than the requirements for students in the Statistics admission category. The actual grades needed will vary from year to year depending on the number of available spaces and the applicant pool.

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Reaching Academic Goals

U of T Scarborough has plenty of services and supports to help students reach their full potential:

- **Academic Advising & Career Centre** – developmental advising, learning skills, career counselling, employment coaching
- **Centre for Teaching and Learning** – writing support, English language development, math and statistics learning support, academic integrity, facilitated study groups, self-guided learning modules
- **AccessAbility Services** – services and supports for students with disabilities