



Carleton

Advising for Quantitative Coursework

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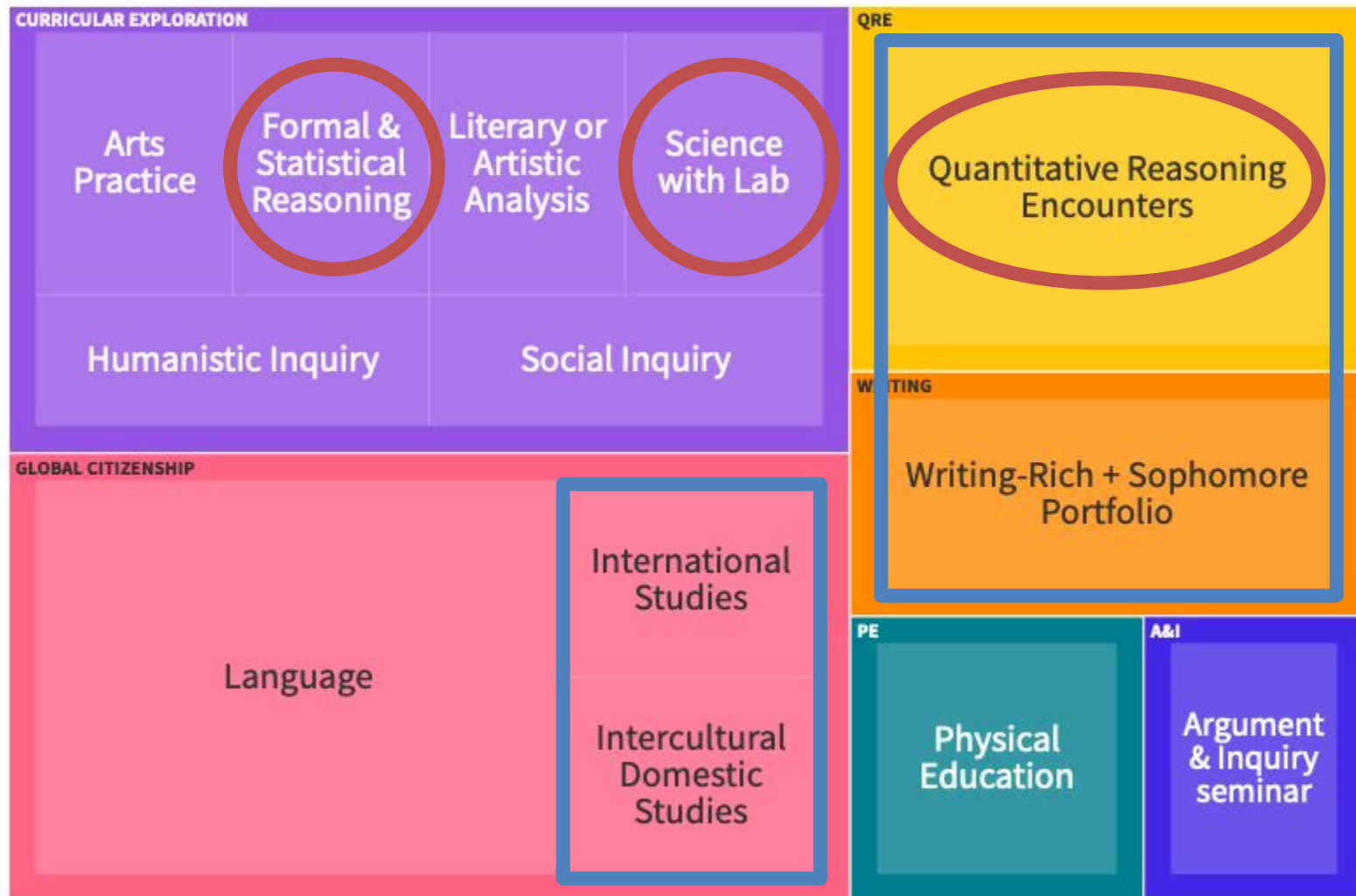
QUANTITATIVELY RICH REQUIREMENTS

CHOOSING WHICH QUANT COURSE

SUCCESSING IN QUANT COURSES

Liberal Arts Requirements

“overlays”



Registration and Policies

Requirements

- ☐ Argument & Inquiry Seminar
- ☐ Arts Practice
- ☐ Formal or Statistical Reasoning
- ☐ Science with Lab Component
- ☐ Literary/Artistic Analysis
- ☐ Humanistic Inquiry
- ☐ Social Inquiry

You must take 6 credits of each of these.

Overlays

- ☐ Writing Rich 1
- ☐ Writing Rich 2
- ☐ Quantitative Reasoning
- ☐ Intercultural Domestic Studies
- ☐ International Studies

You must take 6 credits of each of these,
except Quantitative Reasoning, which requires 3 courses.

Special Interests

- ☐ Academic Civic Engagement: Applied
- ☐ Academic Civic Engagement: Theoretical

What is Calc, Chem, etc. “with Problem-Solving”?

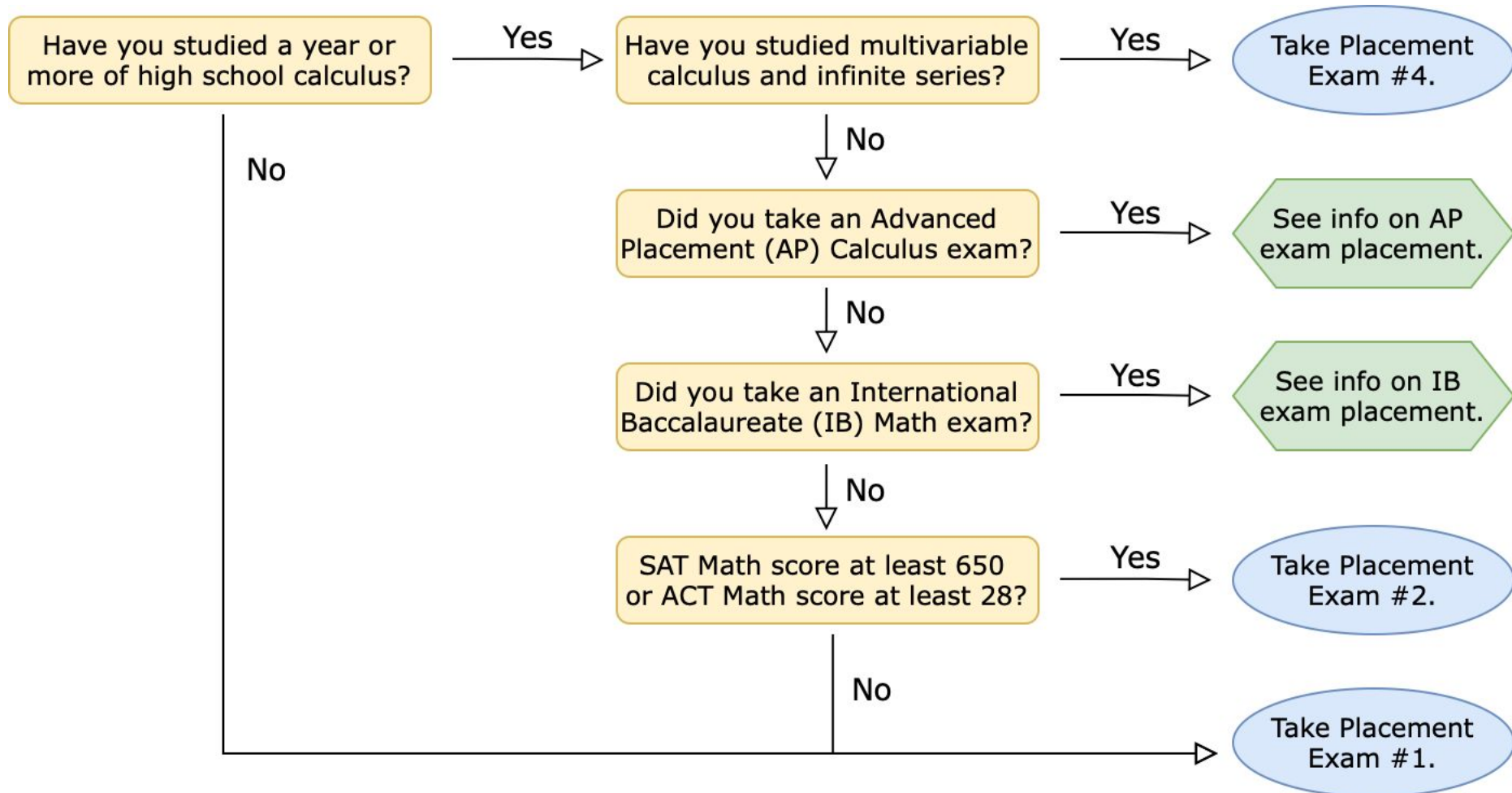
Should a first-year take Calculus and start their
Language in the Fall?

Does Intro Economics have a lot of math?

What can a very math-averse student take?

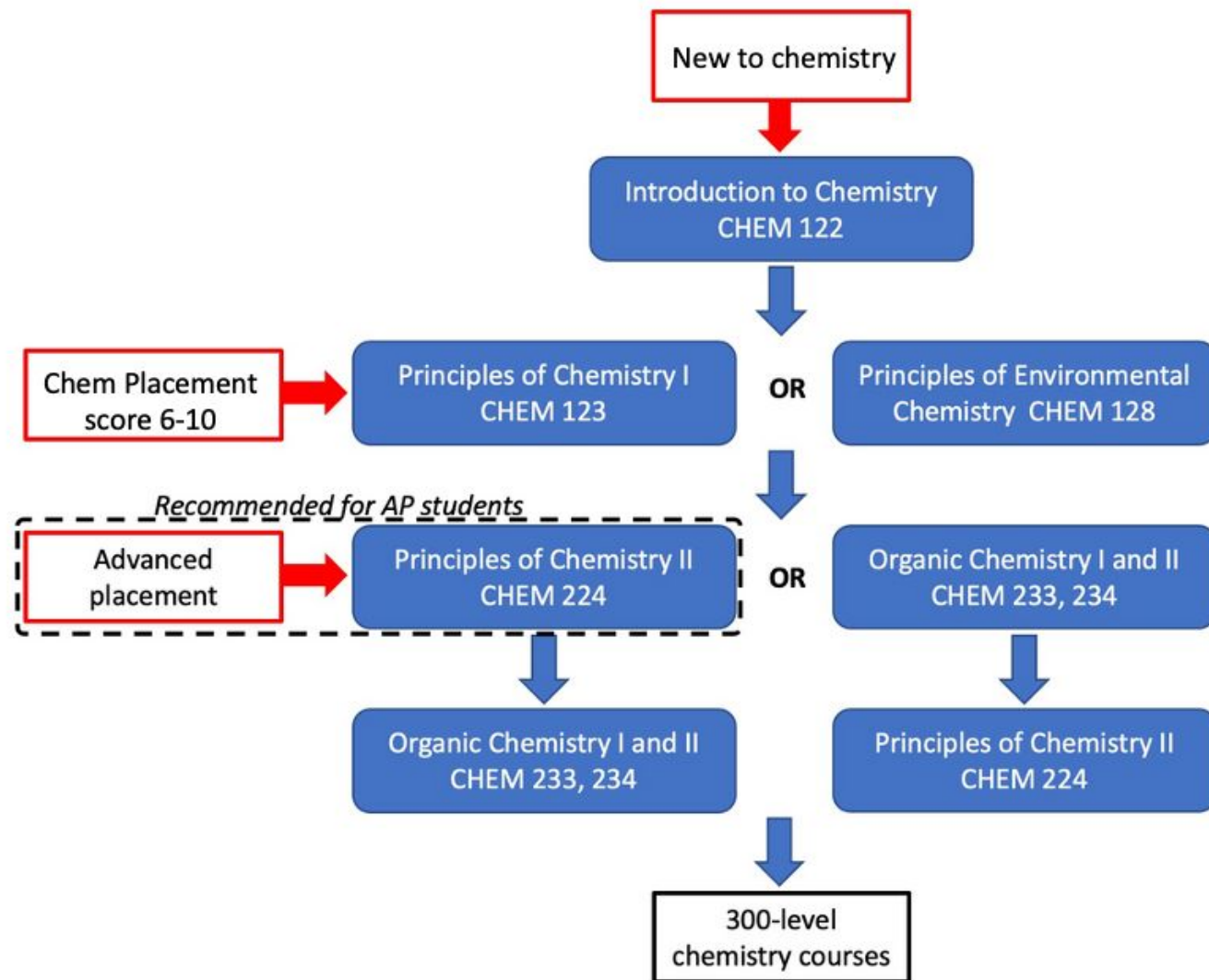
<https://www.carleton.edu/math/new-students/>

<https://www.carleton.edu/math/resources/placement/>





<https://www.carleton.edu/chemistry/new-students/>



Supporting Success: Time Management

Quant courses often have

Cumulative curriculum
Less reading and writing
More problem sets and exams
Scaffolded projects
Emphasis on reasoning over
rightness

Resources

Intro classes: [Prefects, TAs](#)
Chem + Physics: [Problem-Solving Facilitators \(PSFs\)](#)
Math: [Math Skills Center](#)
Stats: [Stats Lab](#)
QR + graphs + 1:1 skills support:
[Quant Resource Center \(QRC\)](#)

“Flipped”

Before class: watch videos, read content, low-stakes practice problems
During class: solve more complex problems in groups

Supporting Success: Start With Questions

“What are you learning about now?”

“What have you tried so far?”

“Have you covered this in class or been given other resources?”

“Do you have it with you, and we can take a look together?”

When preparing for exams, remind them to practice whatever they'll be asked to do on the exam.

e.g., It's not a note-reading exam, it's a problem-solving exam.

Supporting Success: Model a Growth Mindset

Your own experiences with and beliefs about math and numbers matter.

Like anything else, quantitative reasoning takes time, improves with practice, and benefits from mistakes and feedback.

And anyone can get better at it.

Questions?

“QR is sophisticated reasoning with elementary mathematics rather than elementary reasoning with sophisticated mathematics.”

- Lynn Arthur Steen

“If you can’t make a mistake, you can’t make anything.”

- Marva Collins

