# Request a Class with Prerequisites

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Overview: A **Prerequisite** is a course or exam that must be completed prior to registering for a course. This document articulates the steps a student must follow to register for a course that has prerequisites.

1. From Path@Penn, click **Search & Register for Classes** under *Academic Planning and Registration.*

2. Search for and select the desired course to see the Course Details. Click **Add to Cart.**
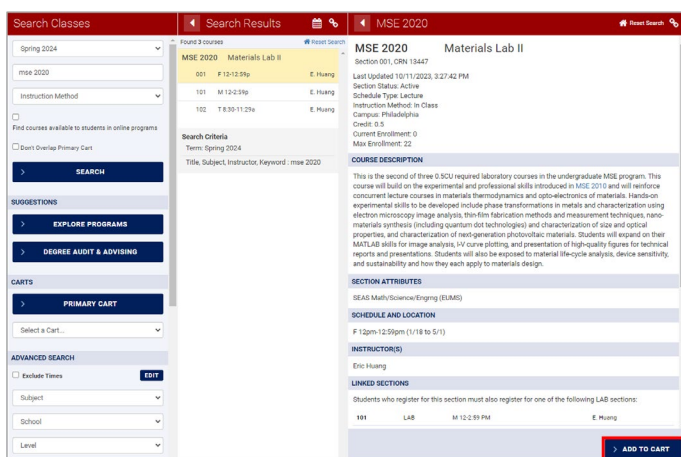
3. If the course has prerequisites and all prerequisites are met, the student will see the section in their cart. The blue icon indicates that the course is not registered but is staged in the cart.
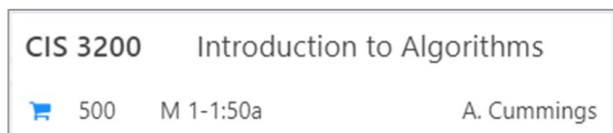
4. After submitting the registration, the course will show the black checkmark indicating that the student is officially registered for the course.
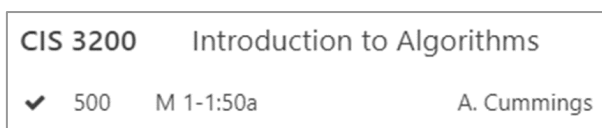
5. If a student adds a section to their cart in which they do not meet the prerequisites, they are presented with an error message that is visible in their cart.
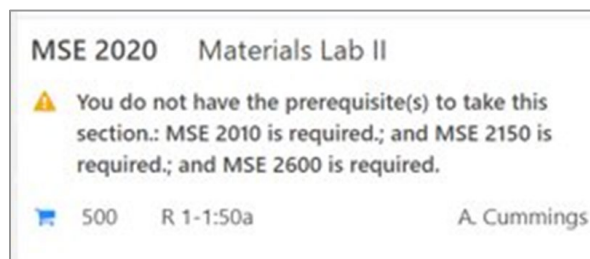
6. If the student still attempts to submit the course to their cart, they will be met with another registration error message and will not be registered for the section.
Note: The message will only display the first missed prerequisite, but the full list of missing prerequisites will still be viewable in the cart.

7. If a student feels like they should be able to take the course, they may request a prerequisite override using the Permissions link within the registration module. Detailed directions on how to complete this can be found in the Request Permission to Take a Class Quick Reference Guide.
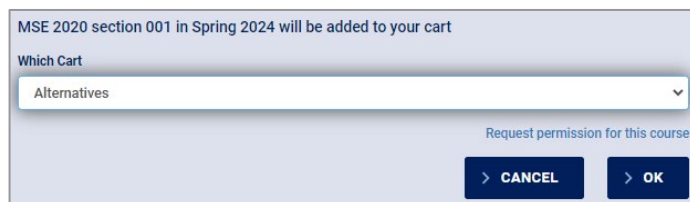
NOTE: Though they can be seen in the catalog, currently, prerequisites are not viewable in PATH. When a student is attempting to register for a course, the notification of a prerequisite will only appear if a student has attempted to register for a course but is not able to do so because that prerequisite has not been met.