A Note on Course Numbers

Starting in the 2000-01 academic year, Kenyon began using a course-numbering system in which every course has a three-digit number. Thus, for example, the first introductory economics course, “Principles of Microeconomics and Public Policy,” formerly identified as ECON 11, is now labeled ECON 101.

Many upper-level courses have prerequisites. In noting a prerequisite, the Course of Study lists the new number, followed in most cases by the old number in parentheses. For example: The course “Money and Financial Markets,” ECON 343, carries two prerequisites, ECON 101 (11) and ECON 102 (12).

The ◆ Symbol

In every department and program, some courses are marked with the ◆ symbol. Generally, these courses are considered especially appropriate for first-year students or upperclass students new to that discipline.

QR Courses

Starting with members of the Class of 2005, the requirements for graduation include a quantitative-reasoning requirement. All students must earn at least 1/2 Kenyon unit of credit in a course, or courses, designated as fulfilling this requirement. The Course of Study indicates these courses with the abbreviation QR, placed beside the course number. For example, the listing for “Elements of Statistics” (MATH 106) appears as follows:

Elements of Statistics
◆ QR MATH 106 (1/2 unit)

Students may use a course to satisfy the quantitative-reasoning requirement only if the course is listed as a QR course during the semester they take it. In the 2001-02 academic year, the following departments and programs offer QR courses: biology, chemistry, economics, mathematics, philosophy, physics, psychology, and scientific computing.