Frequently Asked Questions

1. How is this GtM course different from traditional high school courses?
   - This course has beginning and ending dates that match as closely as possible those of UI courses while still fitting into a high school calendar
   - The GtM course moves much faster and requires more of students since there is no teacher present to structure and direct student daily learning
   - Students meet and work with other students using GtM’s web-based communication technologies, rather than face-to-face
   - Students learn by:
     - Reading (printable) on-line lessons and viewing on-line instructional videos (no book needed)
     - Working on assignments which include automated practice on thousands of items with hints or complete solutions provided
     - Sharing ideas with course instructors and fellow students via on-line chats

2. Is the GtM course challenging?
   Yes. Students must expect the GtM course to be more advanced than high school mathematics courses. Students should dedicate at least two hours per day to study and correspondence with teammates and instructors. Students gain experience with taking a college level course.

3. What prerequisites must a student meet to take the course?
   Academic Prerequisites:
   - A GPA of 3.5 or better in Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, and
   - Have taken Advanced Math or Pre-Calculus the previous semester, and
   - Recommendation of a mathematics teacher
   Mathematics Readiness Score, one of the following:
   - ACT math: 29 – 36
   - SAT math: 650 – 800
   - Compass: College Algebra ≥ 51 and Trig ≥ 51
   Dispositions:
   - Motivated, responsible, and persistent, and
   - Patient in the face of technological and/or mathematical difficulties

4. What if a student doesn’t meet the prerequisites?
   The student should consider taking UI Math 143 Pre-Calculus Algebra and Analytic Geometry and 144 Analytic Trigonometry as concurrent credit courses. These two courses are available every semester.

5. How does a student apply for admission?
   Interested students apply through a partner. To find out if you have a local partner use the contact information below.

6. What about exams?
   Students take 3 to 4 exams and a comprehensive final. The exams are scheduled by the course instructor and proctored locally.

7. What if a student needs face-to-face help with the mathematics?
   If a student needs help with the mathematics, s/he can contact the UI course instructor via phone, email or the other available technologies. If students need individual face-to-face mathematics tutoring, they may need to arrange and to pay for those services.

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