Waiver of Foundation Courses

Students may seek waiver of any of the six foundation courses*. Waivers are granted to any student who successfully completed a comparable course at an accredited undergraduate institution within seven years of admission. An application for a waiver of foundation courses must accompany the application for admission and must include the undergraduate syllabi (no syllabi submission is required for Berkeley graduates). Students must have achieved a grade of B or better in order to be granted a waiver.

Foundation courses may also be waived based upon successful completion of remediation step(s) designated by the Graduate Admissions Committee. The Dean of the School of Graduate Studies is responsible for granting such waivers once the designated remediation has been successfully completed.

Foundation courses may also be waived by examination. Students must receive the approval of the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies to seek waiver by examination. Examination for foundation courses must be completed prior to enrolling in the M.B.A. program.

Foundation courses taken at the graduate level are designated pass/fail and are not included in the calculation of GPA.

*Note: All decisions regarding remediation requirements and foundation course waivers are within the sole discretion of the College and are final.