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**To:** O'Donnell, Ken  
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Hi Ken,

Our math faculty are working on creating a course that combines elementary and intermediate algebra, with some basic statistics components that would serve as a prerequisite for statistics. Basically, they want to create a new math track that leads to statistics, for non-science majors. It's similar to the Statway project, but their combined course wouldn't include transfer level math; it would be the prerequisite. Because it wouldn't be a straight intermediate algebra course, would we be risking our CSU-GE acceptance for our Statistics course?

Thanks so much for your help,  
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**From:****Sent:** Thursday, November 03, 2011 3:34 PM**To:** O'Donnell, Ken**Subject:** RE: Accelerated Statistics prep

Hi Ken,

At this point, I would like to cancel the request. I've had conversations with our Math Dept. chair, our Matriculation Prerequisites Officer, and our Dean of Instruction. We will pull Math 45X as an alternative prerequisite for our Math 80 and Psyc 5 and instead allow students to try to challenge the prerequisite. We will monitor the success that students have both in challenging the prereq and in passing the transfer level statistics course. However, even if our students are really successful, we would still be unwilling to risk the transferability of our statistics courses by adding Math 45X as a prereq.

So...we would very much like to know, in general, if community college courses would lose transferability if they include an alternative to the intermediate algebra prerequisite. Is this something that will be discussed by GEAC? Or would it likely be regarded the same way as STATWAY, and be given a three-year pilot period?

Thanks for all your help.