IE Faculty Meeting
May 7, 2009

Issue
BE 2550, MATLAB and numerical methods, is currently the one BE course we don't require students to finish before they start their professional studies. Currently, many students defer the course till late in their program, rather than taking it alongside math courses and other programming related courses. In previous discussions, the UG committee also noticed that more programming would be good for students before they enter IE 4420, Simulation.

I propose that we make BE 2550 a prerequisite for IE 4420. This will force students to take BE2550 before they are too long past other math and programming courses, and hopefully better prepare them for the demands of IE 4420. At the very least, it won't put us in the horrible case of having a senior not graduate because of a 2000-level BE course.

Vote of the Faculty

The measure was adopted by the faculty, and changes sent to the Wayne State Catalog Office.