**Subject: Math 330 and 490 Substitutions**

Dear Department of Computer Science in care of chair, Dr. Kapfhammer,

As we near the end of the fall semester, scheduling is right around the corner; I was enthusiastically hoping to take Math 330 in place of one of the pre-approved math courses for the major in Computer Science. I believe that the content is applicable to Computer Scientists as it focuses on integers and prime numbers, in addition to theorems and other topics that can be applied to the basic principles of CS. Although this may not cover the same topics the other required courses do, I believe that the knowledge earned by taking Math 330 could provide a different mathematical light and way of thinking. I would be extremely grateful for the opportunity to take Math330 in exchange for one of the typically approved Math courses.

In addition to Math 330, I would also like to request a substitution for CS230. Due to my initial hardship working through the first required mathematics course, I set myself behind schedule by a few courses worth of credits and time. Due to this fact, I did not meet the requirements and was ineligible for registration at the time it was offered. Next semester, Professor Lakins is offering Math 490, a course that is advertised as different from the Computer Science course in question, but still overlapping it. I believe that this course would be an excellent substitution for several reasons. First and foremost, there *are* a number of topics covered that are usually taught in CS230; the knowledge from these topics will still be gained, in addition to numerous other topics that can both be applied in a mathematical sense and a computing sense seeing as this course is being offered as a Math course and not just tailored to CS. I believe that with the new perspective on the overlapping topics and the additional content, this course would be an excellent alternative. I would appreciate the opportunity to take Math 490 in place of CS230 this spring.

Thank you for your consideration and I sincerely hope that you find the proposed courses applicable and appropriate to act as substitutions for the traditionally required courses. I look forward to hearing the final decision or discussing this topic further.

Regards,

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