STEM Bridge Program FAQS

1. What is the STEM Bridge Program and why am I in this program?

The STEM Bridge Program is uniquely designed to support you in your goals for a degree in Science, Engineering or Computer Science. Admission into this program will give students an opportunity to enroll at FAU while adjusting to the rigors of college STEM coursework, focusing on academic success. Students are offered admission to Summer or Fall based on their overall academic profile.

Students offered admission for the Summer term will complete 6 credits in Summer Term 3 and continue into Fall as a **part-time** student (no more than 11 credits). Additionally, all Summer students will be enrolled into **SLS1410: FAU iSucceed**, a fully online, 0 credit first-year experience course. Students admitted for the Fall term will complete no more than 11 credits as a **part-time** student.

2. Can I move out of this program if I have new test scores or have improved my GPA?

You may contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions directly at <u>admissions@fau.edu</u> or 561-297-3040 to discuss a change of entry request.

3. What are the STEM Bridge Program requirements?

Summer: STEM Bridge students majoring in Science, Engineering and Computer Science will be required to enroll in and complete 6 credits which may include STEM coursework (e.g., math, science, or engineering). Your Academic Advisor will determine the appropriate STEM course(s) for you based on your intended major.

Important Requirement: Students who do not complete their Summer STEM coursework with a "C" or better will be required to change their major to something outside of Science, Engineering, or Computer Science. Students must also earn a 2.0 GPA or better to continue to the Fall.

Fall: STEM Bridge students majoring in Science, Engineering and Computer Science will be required to take STEM coursework (e.g., math, science, or engineering). Your Academic Advisor will determine the appropriate STEM course(s) for you based on your intended major. Per your Admission requirements, you can take up to 11 credits.

Important Requirement: Students who do not complete their Fall STEM coursework with a "C" or better will be required to change their major to something outside of Science, Engineering, or Computer Science.

4. When will I know what classes I can take?

You will select which courses you would like to take when you complete your Online Advising (called EZ Advising). Your assigned Academic Advisor will provide you with your required STEM course(s) (e.g., math, science, or engineering) and additional course recommendations in your EZ Advising form based on your major, math placement score, and pending AP/IB/AICE/Dual Enrollment credit.

5. Are there specific classes I have to take?

Yes. Your assigned Academic Advisor will provide you with your required STEM course(s) (e.g., math, science, or engineering) in your EZ Advising form. Your selection will be based on your major requirements, credit you have earned (or may earn) through AP/IB/AICE/Dual Enrollment, and class availability.

Additionally, all students will be enrolled into **SLS1410: FAU iSucceed**, a fully online, 0 credit first-year experience course. In this course you will learn about yourself, FAU, and what it takes to be a successful college student (learn more about this class at <u>https://www.fau.edu/access/isucceed/</u>).

6. How do I register for courses?

Once you complete your online advising through EZ Advising, you will receive an email to your FAU email outlining the courses you should take in the Summer and Fall. Once your holds are removed and registration has opened, you can register immediately. For more information on how to register, go here: https://www.fau.edu/registrar/registration/. Note: You will be registered into SLS1410 closer to the start of Summer 3.

7. Will my courses be in person or online?

You have the option to take your courses in-person or online as long as they are available. **Note**: SLS1410: FAU iSucceed is a fully online course.

8. Are there deadlines to register for STEM Bridge?

Registration opens in April. You will receive your registration date once your EZ Advising is submitted and approved. We encourage students to register for Summer and/or Fall as early as possible due to course availability and program requirements.