

December 12, 2025

Dear BSc Students,

We are writing to remind you that to satisfy the English language enhancement requirement, you need to take one of the following English-in-the-Discipline (ED) courses during your second year of study:

**CAES9820 Academic English for Science Students OR
CAES9821 Professional and Technical Communication for Statistical Sciences**

Please note that CAES9821 is designed for students who intend to major in decision analytics, risk management and statistics. Knowledge of linear statistical modelling, covered in courses such as STAT3600 and STAT3907, is recommended but not assumed.

Students majoring in mathematics may take this course if they are interested in broadening their computational and analytical skills acquired from their discipline to include effective communication in data analytics.

BSc students with other majors are recommended to take CAES9820.

The only students who may take the course in their third year of study are those that have failed the course or have been approved to take a year-long leave in their second year.

For those students who still have not enrolled in the course on-line, the SIS system will randomly assign you an ED class while avoid clashing with your other chosen courses. You are required to check your class allocation result on-line on December 12, 2025.

You may update your ED class selections during the **first week** of the add/drop period, from January 19, 2026 (Year 2: 12:00nn; Year 3: 2:00pm), until January 25, 2026. Starting from January 20, 2026 (12:00nn), the SIS system will approve any ED enrollment applications by auto-balloting. You have to check your class selection result soon after the suspension period (i.e. January 20, 2026 (5:00pm)) and if you are not approved in taking the class you have selected, you should choose another available class in SIS until you are given a place in a class.

Please note that the online add/drop for the course will be closed after January 25, 2026. The SIS system will then assign classes to students who have not yet enrolled in any ED class and the finalized class allocation result will be released on-line on January 28, 2026 (10:00am). Further changes to your ED course enrollment will not be allowed thereafter.

Students must work through the above enrollment procedures to secure a place in available classes during the enrollment & add/drop period. Due to limited resources, CAES cannot increase class quotas in order to allow students to enroll in their preferred classes.

Yours sincerely,



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