Can you pass SIPA’s Econ 101?

**Answer Key**

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As the start of the fall semester draws nearer, I thought it would be useful for everyone to sample SIPA’s quantitative curriculum. Our former PA Dario Martinez, MIA ’15, ran with the idea, and we developed a brief quiz of the material that was covered in his economics classes.

This quiz serves two purposes: it hints that the curriculum may be challenging and that incoming students might want to take the free math tutorial; and it reminds prospective students of the importance that is placed on strong quantitative abilities so they can better tailor their applications to SIPA (taking additional coursework, performing well on standardized tests, etc.). Just keep in mind this is a sample quiz taken from several courses at SIPA, and it should not be used as the only measurement of your abilities. (In other words, have fun with it!)

Even if you don’t do very well on this sample quiz, that’s OK. Every summer SIPA offers an Online Summer Math Tutorial for incoming students, and then those concepts are reinforced during in-person sessions at orientation. And yes, to get the most out of your experience at SIPA, it’s always recommended that you enroll in the Online Summer Math Tutorial. (All incoming students received details via email on June 15, 2015.)

Let’s see how you do in this 10-item questionnaire! [Click here to take it](http://admissionsblog.sipa.columbia.edu/2015/08/05/can-you-pass-sipas-econ-101/), and then share your comments on social media.

**Answers:**

1. A – Increased
2. C – The effective change is undetermined
3. A – Increased
4. D – B or C
5. A – 3.385
6. B – (60,20)
7. A – No
8. B – Yes
9. C – Negative 2
10. A – Elastic