I took the BC exam and I got a 4, which places me in 104. Can I sign up for 201 anyway?

The decision is yours. You are an adult, so you can gather the relevant information and decide for yourself. It is up to you how much of a workload you want to take on and how much academic risk you are willing to take.

The BC curriculum is not an exact match for 104 and the problems on the BC exam represent C-level knowledge in the course. So if the score of 4 on the BC exam accurately reflects your preparation, then 201 will be even more challenging than usual.

201 is extremely fast-paced since in one semester it generalizes all the topics in single-variable calculus to higher dimensions and it introduces several challenging new topics in vector calculus.

No calculators are allowed in Princeton calculus courses—so that you can build and internalize a good working knowledge of the standard library of functions and basic analytic techniques. So if you are dependent on a calculator for graphing or solving equations or computing integrals that can be done by hand, then this will add to the workload for you.

A well-prepared student should expect to spend an average of about 10 hours per week on a math course like 104 or 201. If you are prepared to devote even more time, if you have a high tolerance for stress, and if you are willing to risk getting a C in the class, then it might be a good gamble.

Another issue to consider is why you are taking 201 in the first place. These ideas and techniques are fundamental tools in finance and ORFE and in physics, but they are less important for computer science.