

IFAM

Institute for Financial and Actuarial Mathematics

Department of Mathematical Sciences University of Liverpool

Worldwide Non-Business School
Actuarial Science Rankings
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The Institute for Financial and Actuarial Mathematics (IFAM) is a group of young and enthusiastic academics specialized in actuarial and financial mathematics.







We are part of the Department of Mathematical Sciences at University of Liverpool.







Our published research in actuarial science places us on the **5th position** worldwide, among all, non-business, actuarial science departments, while our actuarial education is accredited by the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries.







IFAM members engage in partnership with industry and academics and **involve students** in their research pursuits.















In our actuarial and financial mathematics programmes, we offer a wide range of topics, providing a strong foundation for a successful career in banks, insurance companies, consultancy firms, software companies, research institutions, government agencies or any other risk management enterprise.







IFAM hosts regular Conferences, Workshops and research Seminars











We support and mentor our students throughout their studies, when transitioning from school to university and further when transitioning from university to society. All of these add up in a 88% success rate of employment, or further studies, within six months of graduation. For UK-based undergraduate, this number rises to 95%.







IFAM MSc and PhD Students always engage with our UG students on both teaching and research











Our summer projects are built upon cross generational interactions, undergraduate with postgraduate students, working alongside local businesses and IFAM academics.





We offer two accredited **programmes**

G1N3 - Mathematics with Finance

NG31 - Actuarial Mathematics









G1N3 - Mathematics with Finance

In the first two years of this programme, you will study a range of topics covering important areas of mathematics. The main focus will be on basic financial mathematics, statistics and probability, no assumptions are made about whether or not you have previously studied these, or have previous experience in the use of computers. In the last year, you will cover some specialised work in financial mathematics. Subsequently, you will begin to study more advanced ideas in probability theory and statistics as well as stochastic modelling, econometrics and finance.

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| Required Modules | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|
| Module | Module Code Title | | Credits | Semester |
| ACFI | 101 | Introduction to Financial Accounting | 15 | First Semester |
| MATH | 111 | Mathematical IT Skills | 15 | First Semester |
| MATH | 101 | Calculus 1 | 15 | First Semester |
| MATH | 103 | Introduction to Linear Algebra | 15 | First Semester |
| ACFI | 103 | Introduction to Finance | 15 | Second Semester |
| MATH | 122 | Newtonian Mechanics | 15 | Second Semester |
| MATH | 102 | Calculus II | 15 | Second Semester |
| MATH | 162 | Introduction to Statistics | 15 | Second Semester |



G1N3 - Mathematics with Finance

YEAR 2

| Required Modules | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|--|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Module Code Title | | Credits | Semester | | |
| ACFI | 213 | Corporate Financial Management | 15 | First Semester | |
| ACFI | 290 | Financial Reporting & Finance | 15 | First Semester | |
| MATH | 201* | Ordinary Differential Equations (*cannot be taken by XJTLU students) | 15 | First Semester | |
| MATH | 267 | Theory of Interest | 15 | First Semester | |
| MATH | 262 | Financial Mathematics | 15 | Second Semester | |
| MATH | 263 | Statistical Theory And Methods I | 15 | Second Semester | |
| MATH | 264 | Statistical Theory And Methods II | | Second Semester | |
| Ch | oose 1 fu | rther module in the second semester (*XJTLU students choose 2 further modules, o | one from ea | ach semester) | |
| MATH | 227 | Mathematical Models: Microeconomics and Population Dynamics | 15 | First Semester | |
| MATH | 241 | Metric Spaces and Calculus | 15 | First Semester | |
| MATH | 261 | Introduction To Methods Of Operational Research | 15 | First Semester | |
| СОМР | 229 | Introduction to Data Science | 15 | First Semester | |
| MATH | 268 | Operational Research: Probabilistic Models | 15 | Second Semester | |
| ECON | 241 | Securities Markets | 15 | Second Semester | |
| MATH | 224* | Intro to the Methods of Appl Maths (*cannot be taken by XJTLU students) | 15 | Second Semester | |
| MATH | 266 | Numerical Methods | 15 | Second Semester | |



G1N3 - BSc in Mathematics with Finance

YEAR 3

| Required Modules | | | | | | |
|------------------|---|---|-----------|-----------------|--|--|
| Module | Module Code Title | | Credits | Semester | | |
| ACFI | 314 | Quantitative Business Finance | 15 | First Semester | | |
| MATH | 362 | Applied Probability 15 First Sem | | | | |
| MATH | 371 | Numerical Analysis for Financial Mathematics | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| MATH | 372 | Time Series and its Applications in Economics | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| MATH | 377 | Financial and Actuarial Modelling in R | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| | Choose | 3 further modules of which at least 2 must be MATH modules and 1 further module | from each | semester | | |
| ECON | 212 | Econometrics I | 15 | First Semester | | |
| MATH | 323 | Further Methods Of Applied Mathematics | 15 | First Semester | | |
| MATH | 363 | Linear Statistical Models | 15 | First Semester | | |
| MATH | 367 | Networks In Theory And Practice | 15 | First Semester | | |
| MATH | 365 | Measure Theory and Probability | 15 | First Semester | | |
| ACFI | 310 | Derivative Securities | 15 | First Semester | | |
| ACFI | 341 | Finance & Markets | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| MATH | 331 | Mathematical Economics | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| MATH | 360 | Applied Stochastic Models | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| MATH | 361 | Theory Of Statistical Inference | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| MATH | 366 | Mathematical Risk Theory | 15 | Second Semester | | |
| | Modules accredited by the Institute & Faculty of Actuaries UK | | | | | |



Our summer research projects emulate the everyday life of a math graduate, facilitating the development of practical skills and the understanding of the importance of mathematics in the modern world.



For the last four summers, students from the Department of Mathematical Sciences of University of Liverpool have worked alongside Liverpool businesses assessing various risks and threats.

During the summer of 2017, the students worked with Charles Oddy on enterprise risk management, with SatSafe on pricing drivers behaviour, with Eddie Stobart on networks optimization, and with Barnett Waddingham in analyzing nonfinancial risks of universities.

Dr Corina Constantinescu, Financial and Actuarial Mathematics (IFAM) of the Department of Mathematical Sciences of University of Liverpool and coordinator of the programme says "our UG students are highly motivated to answer real-work questions and to see mathematical theory applied into practice. For the last four years, we run summer research projects, led by our IFAM academics and their PhD students, in cooperation with Liverpool business partners, aiming to assess some of the risk they are facing in the ever changing economical

landscape. We work on providing methods, data analysis or risk management solutions varying from strategic planning recommendations to personalised insurance."

Charles Oddy, CFA, CERA, says 'this was my second summer working alongside University of Liverpool students and academics and I am impressed by their enthusiasm and professionalism. The interns represent excellent ambassadors for the university'.

Stuart Millward, CEO of SatSafe Technologies, "Working with the students on this project was an absolute privilege and the quality of work was testament to the extremely high standards of Liverpool University's Department of Mathematical Sciences"

Prof. Kurt Langfeld, Head of Department of Mathematical Sciences explains "our students experience is of paramount importance for our department. Partnering with our UG students and Liverpool businesses in research is not only a success story for our Department and our university, but also for the city of Liverpool."

University of Liverpool work with Liverpool businesses in assessing risks

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NG31 - BSc in Actuarial Mathematics

Actuarial mathematics prepares students to be professionals who use mathematical models to analyse and solve financial problems under uncertainty. Actuaries are experts in the design, financing and operation of insurance plans, annuities, and pension or other employee benefit plans.

In Year Three, you will cover some specialised work in advanced actuarial and financial mathematics. Subsequently, you start to study more advanced ideas in both life and non-life insurance mathematics as well as stochastic modelling, econometrics and finance. This programme is designed to prepare you for a career as an actuary, combining financial and actuarial mathematics with statistical techniques and business topics.

Year 1

| Required Modules | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|--|------|----------|
| Modul | Module Code Title | | Cred | Semester |
| ECON | 127 | Economic Principles for Business and Markets | 15 | First |
| MATH | 111 | Mathematical IT Skill | 15 | First |
| MATH | 101 | Calculus 1 | 15 | First |
| MATH | 103 | Introduction to Linear Algebra | 15 | First |
| ACFI | 103 | Introduction to Finance | 15 | Second |
| MATH | 167 | Theory of Interest | 15 | Second |
| MATH | 102 | Calculus II | 15 | Second |
| MATH | 162 | Introduction to Statistics | 15 | Second |



NG31 - BSc in Actuarial Mathematics

Year 2

| | Required Modules | | | | | |
|-------------------|---|--|----------|--------|--|--|
| Module Code Title | | Cred | Semester | | | |
| ACFI | 290 | Financial Reporting & Finance | 15 | First | | |
| ECON | 210 | Principles of Economics II | 15 | First | | |
| MATH | 253 | Statistics and Probability I | 15 | First | | |
| MATH | 273 | Life Insurance Mathematics I | 15 | First | | |
| MATH | 262 | Financial Mathematics | 15 | Second | | |
| MATH | 254 | Statistics and Probability II | 15 | Second | | |
| | Choose 2 further modules in the second semester from the list below | | | | | |
| МАТН | 221 | Differential Equations (cannot be taken by XJTLU students) | 15 | Second | | |
| МАТН | 242 | Metric Spaces and Calculus | 15 | Second | | |
| МАТН | 256 | Numerical Methods | 15 | Second | | |
| МАТН | 269 | Operational Research with Group Projects | 15 | Second | | |



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Year 3

| | Required Modules | | | | |
|-------|---|---|------|----------|--|
| Modul | Module Code Title | | Cred | Semester | |
| МАТН | 362 | Applied Probability | 15 | First | |
| MATH | 373 | Life Insurance Mathematics II | 15 | First | |
| МАТН | 375 | Stochastic Modelling in Insurance & Finance | 15 | First | |
| MATH | 366 | Mathematical Risk Theory | 15 | Second | |
| МАТН | 374 | Statistical Methods in Insurance and Finance | 15 | Second | |
| MATH | 376 | Actuarial Models | 15 | Second | |
| МАТН | 377 | Financial and Actuarial Modelling in R | 15 | Second | |
| | Choose 1 further module in the first semester from the list below | | | | |
| MATH | 391 | Summer Industrial Research Project (takes place during summer between 2 nd and 3 rd year) | 15 | First | |



NG31 and G1N3 BSc Programmes

Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA) accreditation

Core Technical (CT) Core Principles

Core Applications (CA) Core Practices

Specialist Technical (ST) Specialist Principles

Specialist Applications (SA) Specialist Advanced

Work-based Skills (WBS) Personal and Professional Development

Associateship

To qualify as an Associate, you will be required to complete, or have been granted exemption(s) from, the following examinations:

- Core Principles
- Core Practices
- Personal Professional Development.

Fellowship

To qualify as a Fellow, you will be required to complete, or have been granted exemption(s) from, the following examinations:

- Core Principles
- Core Practices
- Specialist Principles
- Specialist Advanced
- · Personal Professional Development.

All Core Principles All Core Practices 2x Specialist Principles

1x Specialist Advanced

Minimum of 1 year
Personal and Professional Development

Minimum of 3 years
Personal and Professional Development

https://www.actuaries.org.uk/studying/curriculum-2019



NG31 and G1N3 BSc Programmes Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA) accreditation

Exemptions for our programmes

BSc Mathematics with Finance (G1N3): CB1, CS1, CM2

BSc Actuarial Mathematics (NG31): CB1, CB2, CS1, CS2, CM1, CM2







For further details, please see our website. If you have any questions do not hesitate to write us an email.

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