Actuarial Mathematics at Kent State University

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Actuaries are professionals who

- Manage risk
- Predict the likelihood of future events and model the financial impact of future scenarios
- Find creative ways to mitigate the undesirable effects of future events

Employment

- Most are employed in the insurance and financial industries
- Others work in the transportation, environmental, medical, and manufacturing industries and in government
- Number of jobs in this field is increasing at a rate of 18% (much faster than average)
- 2016 median annual salary of actuaries was \$100,610
- Always highly ranked in job satisfaction surveys

Actuarial Mathematics at Kent State University

- BS in Actuarial Mathematics beginning with the 2019-20 catalog
- Previously Concentration under BS in Mathematics
- If you are on an old catalog, your requirements have NOT changed.



Sequencing Recommendations: General Principles

- Max 3 MATH courses per semester
- Spread Kent Core courses across whole 4 years
- Spread Business courses, but start early if considering minor or double major
- CS requirement early— first semester is best
- Summer MATH classes very challenging
- Remember that all MATH prereqs require C or better (really should have B or better)
- Two issues in prerequisites:
 - Content
 - Mathematical maturity

Sequencing Recommendations

- Take in sequence without skipping a semester:
 - MATH 12002 Analytic Geometry and Calculus I
 - MATH 12003 Analytic Geometry and Calculus II
 - MATH 22005 Analytic Geometry and Calculus III
 - MATH 32044 Ordinary Differential Equations ("Calc IV")
- Can take concurrently with MATH 12003 (Calc II)
 - MATH 21001 Linear Algebra
 - MATH 20011 Decision Making Under Uncertainty
- Can take concurrently with MATH 22005 (Calc III)
 - MATH 30055 Mathematical Theory of Interest
 - MATH 31011 Proofs in Discrete Mathematics

- MATH 30055 (Theory of Interest) is offered in Fall
 - Actuarial Math students should take it Fall of sophomore year
 - Then take Exam FM in spring
- MATH 40011 (Probability) is offered both Fall and Spring
 - Actuarial Math students should take it Spring of sophomore year
 - Then take Exam P in summer
- MATH 40055-6 (Act Math I-II) can then be taken junior year
 - Prereqs are MATH 30055 and MATH 40011
 - Exam LTAM has been replaced by FAM and ALTAM

- MATH 40059 Stochastic Actuarial Models is probably hardest course in Actuarial Math curriculum— take Spring of senior year
 - Exam IFM has been eliminated
 - Some material moved to Exam FAM and others
- ECON 32050 Applied Econometrics I
 - Prerequisites
 - MATH 12002 (Calc I)
 - MATH 20011 (Decision Making Under Uncertainty)
 - ECON 22060 (Microeconomics)
 - ECON 32051 Applied Econometrics II is a good course for our students, so maybe take ECON 32050 earlier than indicated on roadmap

See your advisors each semester!

- Professional Advisor: College of Arts & Sciences
 - University and College graduation requirements
 - Can lift your pin to register for classes
- Faculty Advisor: Dr. Kracht: drkracht.youcanbook.me
 - Mathematics requirements
 - Advice on which course to take when
 - Can lift your pin to register for classes
- Additional advisors for other majors, minors
 - How many courses can be double-counted?

Finance

- Economics
- Data Analytics
- Computer Science
- Insurance Studies
- Foreign language
- Anything the you love!

SOA Credentialing: ASA (Associate of the Society of Actuaries)

- Exam P–Probability
- Exam FM–Financial Mathematics
- Exam IFM–Investment and Financial Markets (last sitting Nov 2022)
- Exam FAM–Fundamentals of Actuarial Mathematics (first sitting Oct 2022)
- Exam ALTAM–Advanced Long-Term Actuarial Mathematics (first sitting Spring 2023)
- Exam ASTAM–Advanced Short-Term Actuarial Mathematics (first sitting Spring 2023)
- Exam SRM–Statistics for Risk Modeling
- Exam PA–Predictive Analytics
- VEE Mathematical Statistics
- VEE Economics
- VEE Accounting and Finance

- Exam P–Probability: MATH 40011
- Exam FM–Financial Mathematics: MATH 30055
- Exam FAM–Fundamentals of Actuarial Mathematics: MATH 40055–56; 40059 (covers half)
- Exam ALTAM–Advanced Long-Term Actuarial Mathematics: MATH 40056 (covers some)
- Exam ASTAM–Advanced Short-Term Actuarial Mathematics
- Exam SRM–Statistics for Risk Modeling
- Exam PA–Predictive Analytics
- VEE Mathematical Statistics: MATH 40012
- VEE Economics: ECON 22060-1
- VEE Accounting and Finance: ACCT 23020, FIN 36063 (Grade of B- or better required for VEE credit)

- Several other modules and elearning courses are required for the ASA
- New requirements and exams will be phased in over a few years.
- For full details:

https://www.soa.org/education/exam-req/edu-asa-req/

ACAS: Associate of the Casualty Actuarial Society

- Exam 1/P –Probability: MATH 40011
- Exam 2/FM–Financial Mathematics: MATH 30055
- MAS-I–Modern Actuarial Statistics I
- MAS-II–Modern Actuarial Statistics II
- Exam 5–Basic Ratemaking and Estimating Claim Liabilities
- Exam 6–Regulation and Financial Reporting
- VEE Economics: ECON 22060-1
- VEE Accounting and Finance: ACCT 23020, FIN 36063 (Grade of B- or better required for VEE credit)
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Actuarial Exams

- ► Goal:
 - Pass 2 exams before graduating
 - Earn credential within 5 years of graduating
- Pass rates typically approx 50%
- Students grossly underestimate time and effort needed to pass
- Approx 100 hours of study per hour of exam
- Download syllabus and readings from SOA website
- Exam prep materials:
 - Sample questions and solutions on SOA website (Free)
 - ASM (Actuarial Study Materials) Manuals (Inexpensive)
 - ACTEX Learning Manuals (Inexpensive)
 - ACTEX GOAL Software
 - The Infinite Actuary (TIA) on-line materials (Expensive)
 - Coaching Actuaries on-line materials (Expensive)
- Register for exam on SOA site, then reserve time on Prometric Test Center site
- Fees will be reimbursed if you pass!

Internships: Start applying in the fall for the following summer



Independent Research Project



Apply in spring for summer 2023.





Actuarial Math Club: Student presentations



Actuarial Math Club: Recruiters





- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- At-Large

Candidates:

- Joey Weller
- Alexis Lytle
- Grace Lahrmer
- Nominations from the floor...

YSU PME Student Conference: Saturday, February 25, 2023





MAPFRE Insurance Simulation Competition









Request for volunteers:

- Thursday, February 23, 9:30 am 1 pm
- www.24game.com







