Honors Specialization in Financial Modeling Module (20.0 courses)

This is a guide only. For complete information, see the **Online Academic Calendar**

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Year 1 (5.0 Courses)

Calculus 1000A/B or 1500A/B

Calculus 1501A/B (recommended) or Calculus 1301A/B with a mark of 85%+

Math 1600 A/B

1.5 other principal courses

2.0 options

NOTE: At least 1.0 course must be chosen from two of Category A, B, and C as listed in the Academic Calendar(e.g. 1.0 from A and 1.0 from C)

<u>Admission to Honors Specialization Module:</u>

Complete first year (5.0 courses) with no failures including:

- Minimum average of 70% on 3.0 principal courses with no mark less than 60% in any of the 3 principal courses:
 - o Calculus 1000A/B or 1500A/B
 - o Calculus 1501A/B or Calculus 1301A/B with a mark of at least 85%
 - Mathematics 1600 A/B
 - 1.5 other principal course

Recommended (but not required) first year courses;

Economics 1021A/B and 1022A/B, Computer Science 1026 A/B and/or Computer Science 1027A/B, Philosophy 1200

NOTE 1: If not taken in first year, Math 1600A/B must be completed prior to the second term of second year.

NOTE 2: AM1413 may be substituted for the 1.0 Calculus course requirements and AM1411 A/B may be substituted for Mathematics 1600 A/B.

MODULE (9.5 Courses) @

3.5 courses: Statistical Sciences 2503A/B, 2857A/B, 2858A/B, 2864A/B, 3657A/B, 3858A/B, 4861A/B.

0.5 courses: Actuarial Science 2553A/B.

3.0 courses: Financial Modelling 2555A/B, 2557A/B, 3520A/B, 3613A/B, 3817A/B, 4521A/B.

2.0 courses: Calculus 2402A/B**, Applied Math 2811B, 2814F/G, 3815A/B **0.5 courses** from: Applied Math 3611F/G, 4613A/B^{##,} 4617A/B[#], 4999Z, Financial

Modeling 4998F/G/Z, Statistical Sciences 4960F/G, 4999F/G/Z or Actuarial Science 4997F/G/Z.

**Calculus 2402A/B may be replaced by (Calculus 2502A/B + Calculus 2503A/B). When such a replacement occurs, the module will include 10.0 courses.

May be offered only in odd-numbered academic years.

May be offered only in even-numbered academic years.

@ Module shown is as per current calendar year. You may complete module using current calendar year or using calendar in effect in year of module entry

Graduation Requirements

Breadth Requirement:

 At least 1.0 course from each of Category A, B, and C as listed in the Academic Calendar.

Essay Requirement:

 2.0 essay courses (1.0 must be senior course). Note that any modular essay course taken can be used towards this requirement

Senior Courses:

13.0 senior courses (numbered 2000-4999)

Average Requirements:

- Minimum overall average of 65% on the 20.0 courses
- Minimum cumulative modular average of 70% and a minimum mark of 60% in each course of the module
- Passing grade in each course
- Minimum cumulative modular average of 60% in any additional Major or Minor module completed

Residency Requirement:

 The majority of your modular courses must be completed at Western University. Please check academic calendar for other residency requirements.

Note:

To graduate with an Honors BSc, at least 11.0 of your 20.0 courses must be taken from the Faculty of Science

Department Recommendation for order in which <u>modular</u> courses should be taken:

Second Year

AS2553A Mathematics of Finance

FM2555A Corporate Finance

Cal2402A Calculus with Analysis for Statistics

SS2857A Probability and Statistics I

FM2557B Financial Markets and Investments

SS2503B Advanced Mathematics with Statistical Applications

AM2811B Linear Algebra II
AM2814G Numerical Analysis *
SS2858B Probability and Statistics II
SS2864B Statistical Programming*

*can be taken in 3rd year(Stats 2864 now offered in both terms)

OPTIONS (5.5 Courses)

These may also include any additional module other than Actuarial Science.

If taking another module that includes an intro stats course (anti-req to SS2858), please consult with other department regarding course substitution.

Also, you must complete any additional module with a minimum 60% average.

Notes:

Courses common to more than one module taken require substitution.

However if both modules are from faculty of science, a maximum of 1.0 courses explicitly required for each module can be counted towards both modules

2nd **Degree students should meet with** a faculty counsellor to review other degree requirements (e.g. other than modular courses needed)

Third Year

AM3815A Partial Differential Equations I SS3657A Intermediate Probability FM3520A Financial Modelling I

FM3613B Mathematics of Financial Options**

FM3817B Optimization Methods for Financial Modelling**

SS3858B Mathematical Statistics

Any 2000 level modular courses not yet completed

**can be taken in 4th year

Progression Requirements

- Minimum cumulative modular average of 70%
- Minimum mark of 60% in each course of module
- Passing grade in each optional course

Fourth Year

FM4521B Advanced Financial Modelling

SS4861B Time Series

0.5 courses from the "0.5 modular course selection list"