

Institute for Financial and Actuarial Mathematics – IFAM Department of Mathematical Sciences

Actuarial & Financial Mathematics 2012: Theory & Practice



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Institute for Financial and Actuarial Mathematics (IFAM)

Our university (which belongs to the Russell Group) is committing substantial funding to the establishment of an **Institute for Financial and Actuarial Mathematics (IFAM)** within the Department of Mathematical Sciences.

The Institute focuses on research in these areas and will constitute a **key** source of mathematical expertise for the newly-founded multi-disciplinary **Institute for Risk and Uncertainty (Live@Risk)**.

It strives to forge links with the business community in the North-West.

Research in Financial and Actuarial Mathematics Institute for Financial and Actuarial Mathematics (IFAM), Department of Mathematical Sciences

Group Interests/Specialization:

Actuarial Mathematics (Pricing Strategies for Non-Life products; Bonus-Malus Automobile Insurance Systems; Competitive Markets; Ruin Theory interplay between Actuarial and Financial Models; Heavy-Tailed Distributions and Risks; Dependent Insurance),

Financial Mathematics (Derivatives – Greeks; Pricing and hedging in incomplete markets; Mathematical Risk Theory; CAT & Structural Bonds; Disappointment Aversion Theory; Lending Rate Models/Policy; Financial Network Theory in Banking System/Indexes; Numerical solutions of portfolio optimisation problems - portfolios with multiple assets, stochastic volatility, and interest rates),

Stochastic Differential Equations and Analysis (Stability Theory; Descriptor Stochastic Systems; Delay Stochastic Systems; Numerical methods for stochastic optimal control problems; Numerical methods for optimal stopping; Stochastic partial differential equations and their numerical solutions and stochastic filtering theory),

Operational Research (Multi-criteria optimisation; Constrained problems of optimal control)

Control & System Theory (Robust and Optimal -Deterministic and Stochastic- Control; Stability Theory; Pole Assignment; Theory Descriptor Systems; Discretization Techniques; Matrix Pencil Theory).

Members of IFAM

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Currently, we supervise **10** PhD students (4 have obtained PhD Scholarships)

MSc in Financial Mathematics & UG course in Mathematics with Finance Our UG/PG programmes in Financial Mathematics with 450/83 students, have been established to provide the necessary mathematical and financial tools for suitably qualified students, opening up career opportunities in

investment banks,

• financial and management consultancies,

auditing firms,

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•financial institutions and

government departments



Our Vision - IFAM

- To provide *clarity* about our research priorities and *leadership* in the area of Actuarial and Financial Sciences
- To establish *new collaborations* and *partnerships* with significant research centres in a national and international level.
- To achieve *international benchmarks* and highstandards for our activities.
- To impact *economic growth* through mathematical tools, for significant Actuarial and Financial Problems (for instance, Insurance Pricing Strategies).

cont- Our Vision - IFAM

- To drive *knowledge exchange* and *innovation* among academic staffs and PhD students. Our activities will be an excellent opportunity for our PhD and MSc students in Financial Mathematics to receive knowledge from world-leading researchers in new quantitative techniques, and approaches with potential applications to Finance and Insurance.
- To sustain *multi-disciplinary research* between different Departments and Schools in our University (Department of Mathematical Sciences, School of Engineering, and Management School). IFAM is already participating actively in the multi-disciplinary Institute for Risk & Uncertainty.

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- Hon. Prof. Hans Gerber (Department of Actuarial Science, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Lausanne, Switzerland)
- **Prof. Hansjoerg Albrecher** (Department of Actuarial Science, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Lausanne, Switzerland)
- **Prof. Michael Beer** (Institute for Risk and Uncertainty, School of Engineering, University of Liverpool, UK)
- **Prof. Jan Wenzelburger** (Management School, University of Liverpool, UK)

- **Dr. Ronnie Loeffen** (School of Mathematics, University of Manchester, UK)
- Dr. Andreas Tsanakas (Faculty of Actuarial Science and Insurance, Cass Business School - City University London, UK)
- **Dr. Sultan Hussain** (COMSATS Institute of Information Technology Abbottabad, Pakistan)

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