

BSc (Hons)

# **Mathematics with Finance with a Year Abroad**

**UCAS code** GIN4

Entry requirements Study mode Duration

A level: ABB Full-time 4 years

Apply by: **14 January 2026** Starts on: **28 September 2026** 

## **About this course**

This is one of our most popular degree programmes with great employment potential. Studying a range of topics covering the core areas of mathematics, this course will prepare you for a career in the financial sector.

# Introduction

Mathematics is a fascinating, beautiful and diverse subject to study. It underpins a wide range of disciplines; from physical sciences to social science, from biology to business and finance. At Liverpool, our programmes are designed with the needs of employers in mind, to give you a solid foundation from which you may take your career in any number of directions.

This is one of our most popular degree programmes with great employment potential. This programme is designed to prepare you for a career in the banking sector, pension or investment funds, hedge funds, consultancy and auditing firms or government regulators. The course prepares students to be professionals who use mathematical models to analyse and solve financial problems under uncertainty. The programme will provide a useful perspective on how capital markets function in a modern economy.

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 final year, you will cover some specialised work in financial mathematics and more advanced ideas in probability theory and statistics as well as stochastic modelling, econometrics and finance.

# What you'll learn

- How to use mathematical models
- How to analyse and solve financial problems
- Problem solving
- Teamwork
- Communication and presentation skills

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# **Course content**

Discover what you'll learn, what you'll study, and how you'll be taught and assessed.

#### Year one

All modules taken in year one are compulsory.

# **Modules**

Compulsory modules	Credits
CALCULUS I (MATH101)	15
CALCULUS II (MATH102)	15
INTRODUCTION TO LINEAR ALGEBRA (MATH103)	15
MATHEMATICAL IT SKILLS (MATHIII)	15
INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS USING R (MATH163)	15
INTRODUCTION TO STUDY AND RESEARCH IN MATHEMATICS (MATH107)	15
THEORY OF INTEREST (MATH167)	15
PRINCIPLES OF FINANCE (ACFIII3)	15

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

#### **Year two**

In addition to the compulsory modules below, you will choose two optional modules, one in semester 1 and one in semester 2. For students who did not study at XJTLU, module MATH221 is compulsory, module MATH242 is optional. For students who did study at XJTLU, module MATH242 is compulsory, module MATH221 is not available. Please note that we regularly review our teaching so the choice of modules may change.

## **Modules**

Compulsory modules	Credits
CORPORATE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT FOR NON-SPECIALIST STUDENTS (ACF1213)	15
FINANCIAL REPORTING AND FINANCE (NON-SPECIALIST) (ACFI290)	15
STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY I (MATH253)	15
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS (MATH221)	15
FINANCIAL MATHEMATICS (MATH262)	15
STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY II (MATH254)	15

Optional modules	Credits
INTRODUCTION TO DATA SCIENCE (COMP229)	15
OPERATIONAL RESEARCH: PROBABILISTIC MODELS (MATH268)	15
METRIC SPACES AND CALCULUS (MATH242)	15
OPERATIONAL RESEARCH: LINEAR AND CONVEX METHODS (MATH269)	15
BECOMING ENTREPRENEURIAL (ULMS254)	15

Optional modules	Credits
NUMERICAL METHODS (MATH226)	15

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

# Year abroad (Year three)

You are required to spend the year abroad on an approved placement at a European or overseas partner institution.

## **Modules**

Optional modules	Credits
MATHEMATICS OF MACHINE LEARNING FOR FINANCE (MATH370)	15

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

## **Year four**

Choose four optional modules, two from semester 1 and two from semester 2, of which at least two must be MATH modules. Please note that we regularly review our teaching so the choice of modules may change.

# **Modules**

Compulsory modules	Credits
APPLIED PROBABILITY (MATH362)	15
STOCHASTIC MODELLING IN INSURANCE AND FINANCE (MATH375)	15

Compulsory modules	Credits
STATISTICAL METHODS IN INSURANCE AND FINANCE (MATH374)	15
FINANCIAL COMPUTING IN R (MATH377)	15

Optional modules	Credits
MATHS SUMMER INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH PROJECT (MATH391)	15
ECONOMETRICS 1 (ECON212)	15
FURTHER METHODS OF APPLIED MATHEMATICS (MATH323)	15
LINEAR STATISTICAL MODELS (MATH363)	15
NETWORKS IN THEORY AND PRACTICE (MATH367)	15
MEASURE THEORY AND PROBABILITY (MATH365)	15
DERIVATIVE SECURITIES (ACFI310)	15
GAME THEORY (MATH331)	15
APPLIED STOCHASTIC MODELS (MATH360)	15
THEORY OF STATISTICAL INFERENCE (MATH361)	15
STOCHASTIC THEORY AND METHODS IN DATA SCIENCE (MATH368)	15
MATHEMATICAL RISK THEORY (MATH366)	15
MATHEMATICS OF MACHINE LEARNING FOR FINANCE (MATH370)	15

## Teaching and assessment

# How you'll learn

You will be taught through a diverse blend of engaging teaching methods, including lectures, tutorials, practical classes, video content, interactive learning sessions, independent study, and supervised project work.

The department of mathematical sciences offers a vibrant, stimulating, and supportive learning environment with highly motivated and exceptionally qualified staff, renowned for their world-leading research and teaching.

In year 1, lectures are supplemented by a thorough system of small-group tutorials; computing work is carried out in supervised practical classes. Key study skills, presentation skills and group work start in the first year and are developed later in the programme. The emphasis in most modules is on the development of problem-solving and critical thinking skills, which are regarded very highly by employers.

# How you're assessed

Each module has an assessment scheme tailored to fit its syllabus. This might include traditional written exams, class tests, assignments, projects, group work, or online exercises with automatic marking and immediate feedback.

# **Liverpool Hallmarks**

We have a distinctive approach to education, the Liverpool Curriculum Framework, which focuses on research-connected teaching, active learning, and authentic assessment to ensure our students graduate as digitally fluent and confident global citizens.

The Liverpool Curriculum framework sets out our distinctive approach to education. Our teaching staff support our students to develop academic knowledge, skills, and understanding alongside our **graduate attributes**:

- Digital fluency
- Confidence
- Global citizenship

Our curriculum is characterised by the three **Liverpool Hallmarks**:

Research-connected teaching

- Active learning
- Authentic assessment

All this is underpinned by our core value of **inclusivity** and commitment to providing a curriculum that is accessible to all students.

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# Careers and employability

A degree in mathematics provides access to an almost limitless range of rewarding career paths. As a graduate with a mathematics degree from the University of Liverpool, you'll have an extremely valuable set of analytical and critical thinking skills that employers value, enabling you to pursue careers in almost any field.

Graduates with a mathematics-based degree are in high demand across a broad spectrum of industries, thanks to their expertise in quantitative analysis, problemsolving, and mathematical modelling. Some of the key career paths include:

- Data Science and Analytics: Mathematics graduates are well-equipped to work as data scientists, data analysts, or business analysts. Their skills in statistical modelling, machine learning, and data interpretation are highly sought after in sectors like finance, healthcare, and tech.
- Engineering and Technology: Mathematics graduates can work in engineering roles, including systems engineering, computational modelling, and simulation.
   They may also contribute to software development, particularly in fields that require complex algorithms, like AI and cybersecurity.
- Operations Research and Logistics: Companies in manufacturing, transportation, and supply chain management often hire mathematics graduates to optimise processes, improve efficiency, and reduce costs. Roles include operations research analyst, supply chain planner, and logistics coordinator.
- Healthcare and Biostatistics: Mathematics is increasingly used in medical research, epidemiology, and healthcare analytics. Careers may include a biostatistician, a health data analyst, or a mathematical modeller in disease forecasting.

The versatility of a mathematics-based degree allows graduates to enter nearly any sector that requires mathematical modelling, statistical analysis, and algorithmic problem-solving. The growing demand for data-driven decision making in today's world ensures that career prospects remain strong, with opportunities for advancement and specialisation across fields.

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# Fees and funding

Your tuition fees, funding your studies, and other costs to consider.

#### **Tuition fees**

# UK fees (applies to Channel Islands, Isle of Man and Republic of Ireland)

Full-time place, per year - £9,535 Year abroad fee - £1,385 (applies to year in China)

#### International fees

Full-time place, per year - £26,600 Year abroad fee - £13,300 (applies to year in China)

Fees are for academic year 2025/26.

Tuition fees cover the cost of your teaching and assessment, operating facilities such as libraries, IT equipment, and access to academic and personal support. <u>Learn more about paying for your studies</u>.

# **Additional costs**

We understand that budgeting for your time at university is important, and we want to make sure you understand any course-related costs that are not covered by your tuition fee. This could include buying a laptop, books, or stationery.

Find out more about the <u>additional study costs</u> that may apply to this course.

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# **Entry requirements**

The qualifications and exam results you'll need to apply for this course.

#### A levels

**ABB** 

including Mathematics A level grade A.

Applicants with the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) are eligible for a reduction in grade requirements. For this course, the offer is **ABC** with **A** in the EPQ.

You may automatically qualify for reduced entry requirements through our contextual offers scheme. Based on your personal circumstances, you may automatically qualify for up to a two-grade reduction in the entry requirements needed for this course. When you apply, we consider a range of factors – such as where you live – to assess if you're eligible for a grade reduction. You don't have to make an application for a grade reduction – we'll do all the work.

Find out more about how we make reduced grade offers.

If you don't meet the entry requirements, you may be able to complete a foundation year which would allow you to progress to this course.

Available foundation years:

• <u>Mathematical Sciences BSc (Hons) (Foundation, 4 year route with Carmel College)</u> BSc (Hons)

#### **T levels**

T levels are not currently accepted.

#### **GCSE**

4/C in English and 4/C in Mathematics

#### Subject requirements

Applicants must have studied Mathematics at Level 3 within 2 years of the start date of their course.

For applicants from England: For science A levels that include the separately graded practical endorsement, a "Pass" is required.

#### **BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma**

D\*DD in relevant diploma, when combined with A Level Mathematics grade A.

#### **International Baccalaureate**

32 points overall with no score less than 4 including 6 in HL Mathematics, or pass the IB Diploma plus 6,5,5 in three HL subjects (including 6 in HL Mathematics).

#### **Irish Leaving Certificate**

H1, H2, H2, H2, H3, H3 including Mathematics at H1.

## Scottish Higher/Advanced Higher

Advanced Highers accepted at grades ABB including grade A in Mathematics.

#### Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced

Acceptable at grade B or above alongside AB at A level including grade A in Mathematics.

#### Access

Access - 45 Level 3 credits in graded units in a relevant Diploma, including 39 at Distinction and a further 6 with at least Merit. 15 Distinctions are required in Mathematics.

#### International qualifications

Select your country or region to view specific entry requirements.

If you hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent, but don't meet our entry requirements, you could be eligible for a Pre-Master's course. This is offered on campus at the <u>University of Liverpool International College</u>, in partnership with Kaplan International Pathways. It's a specialist preparation course for postgraduate study, and when you pass the Pre-Master's at the required level with good attendance, you're guaranteed entry to a University of Liverpool master's degree.

# **English language requirements**

You'll need to demonstrate competence in the use of English language, unless you're from a <u>majority English speaking country</u>.

We accept a variety of <u>international language tests</u> and <u>country-specific qualifications</u>.

International applicants who do not meet the minimum required standard of English language can complete one of our <u>Pre-Sessional English courses</u> to achieve the required level.

#### **IELTS**

6.0 overall, with no component below 5.5

#### **TOEFL IBT**

78 overall, with minimum scores of listening 17, writing 17, reading 17 and speaking 19. TOEFL Home Edition not accepted.

#### **Duolingo English Test**

115 overall, with speaking, reading and writing not less than 105, and listening not below 100

#### **Pearson PTE Academic**

59 overall, with no component below 59

#### LanguageCert Academic

65 overall, with no skill below 60

#### Cambridge IGCSE First Language English 0500

Grade C overall, with a minimum of grade 2 in speaking and listening. Speaking and listening must be separately endorsed on the certificate.

#### Cambridge IGCSE First Language English 0990

## Cambridge IGCSE Second Language English 0510/0511

0510: Grade C overall, with a minimum of grade 2 in speaking. Speaking must be separately endorsed on the certificate. 0511: Grade C overall.

## Cambridge IGCSE Second Language English 0993/0991

0993: Grade 5 overall, with a minimum of grade 2 in speaking. Speaking must be separately endorsed on the certificate. 0991: Grade 5 overall.

## Cambridge ESOL Level 2/3 Advanced

169 overall, with no paper below 162

#### International Baccalaureate English A: Literature or Language & Literature

Grade 4 at Standard Level or grade 4 at Higher Level

#### International Baccalaureate English B

Grade 6 at Standard Level or grade 5 at Higher Level

# **Pre-sessional English**

Do you need to complete a Pre-sessional English course to meet the English language requirements for this course?

The length of Pre-sessional English course you'll need to take depends on your current level of English language ability.

# Pre-sessional English in detail

If you don't meet our English language requirements, we can use your most recent IELTS score, or <u>the equivalent score in selected other English language</u> <u>tests</u>, to determine the length of Pre-sessional English course you require.

Use the table below to check the course length you're likely to require for your current English language ability and see whether the course is available on campus or online.

Your most recent IELTS score	Pre-sessional English course length	On campus or online
5.5 overall, with no component below 5.5	6 weeks	On campus
5.5 overall, with no component below 5.0	10 weeks	On campus and online options available
5.0 overall, with no component below 5.0	12 weeks	On campus and online options available
5.0 overall, with no component below 4.5	20 weeks	On campus
4.5 overall, with no component below 4.5	30 weeks	On campus
4.0 overall, with no component below 4.0	40 weeks	On campus

If you've completed an alternative English language test to IELTS, we may be able to use this to assess your English language ability and determine the Presessional English course length you require.

Please see our guide to <u>Pre-sessional English entry requirements</u> for IELTS 6.0 overall, with no component below 5.5, for further details.

# Alternative entry requirements

- If your qualification isn't listed here, or you're taking a combination of qualifications, contact us for advice
- Applications from mature students are welcome.

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