

UW-Madison Actuarial Program Courses: Fall 2024

Course (Credit Hours)	Description	Prerequisites	Corresponding Actuarial Exams (SOA = Society of Actuaries, CAS = Casualty Actuarial Society)
Act Sci 303 (3 credits)	<p>Theory and applications pertaining to the time value of money (financial mathematics).</p> <p>Text: A Basic Course in the Theory of Interest and Derivatives Markets: A Preparation for the Actuarial Exam FM/2 - Marcel B. Finan</p>	Must have completed the second semester calculus course on series and sums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOA Financial Mathematics (FM) Exam • CAS Exam 2: Financial Mathematics
Act Sci 640 (4 credits)	<p>Introduction to statistical learning theory and methods for analyzing and modeling risks in actuarial applications.</p> <p>Google Chrome is the recommended browser for viewing the following in an online format:</p> <p>Text: Regression Modeling with Actuarial and Financial Applications – Edward W (Jed) Frees - Cambridge</p> <p>Text: An Introduction to Statistical Learning with Applications in R, Second Edition – James, Witten, Hastie, Tibshirani - Springer</p> <p>Text: An Introduction to Statistical Learning with Applications in Python – James, Witten, Hastie, Tibshirani, Taylor - Springer</p>	Must have completed a statistics class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOA Statistics for Risk Modeling (SRM) Exam • Portion of CAS Exam MAS-I: Modern Actuarial Statistics I • Portion of CAS Exam MAS-II: Modern Actuarial Statistics II

Act Sci 650 (3 credits)	First course of a two-semester sequence covering the foundations of long-term insurance. Text: <i>Actuarial Mathematics for Life Contingent Risks, Third Edition (2020), by Dickson, Hardy, and Waters</i>	Must have completed both probability and interest theory classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOA Fundamentals of Actuarial Mathematics (FAM) Exam • Portion of CAS Exam MAS-I: Modern Actuarial Statistics I
Act Sci 651 (3 credits)	Second course of a two-semester sequence covering the foundations of long-term insurance. Text: <i>Actuarial Mathematics for Life Contingent Risks, Third Edition (2020), by Dickson, Hardy, and Waters</i>	Must have completed Act Sci 650	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOA Advanced Long-Term Actuarial Mathematics (ALTAM) Exam
Act Sci 652 (3 credits)	First course of a two-semester sequence covering the foundations of short-term insurance (loss data analytics). Text: <i>Loss Data Analytics</i>	Completed or currently taking a statistics class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOA Fundamentals of Actuarial Mathematics (FAM) Exam • Portion of CAS Exam MAS-I: Modern Actuarial Statistics I
Act Sci 653 (3 credits)	Second course of a two-semester sequence covering the foundations of short-term insurance (loss data analytics). Text: <i>Loss Data Analytics</i>	Must have completed Act Sci 652	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOA Advanced Short-Term Actuarial Mathematics (ASTAM) Exam • Portion of CAS Exam MAS-II: Modern Actuarial Statistics II