



1. General Course Information

1.1 Course Details

Course Code:	FND105
Course Name:	Advanced Mathematics
Trimester:	Trimester 2, 2021
Program:	Foundation
Credit Points:	10
Course Coordinator:	Jesse Rostagno
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Course Description

This course strengthens and builds upon the knowledge acquired in the previous FND104 mathematics course and will further equip students with practical knowledge of the mathematical, financial and statistical principles required for their future studies. This course aligns to the QCAA Senior General Mathematics Units 3 & 4 Syllabus.

Assumed Knowledge

To successfully enrol in this Course, you must provide evidence that you have completed the following course:

- FND104 - Essential Mathematics

1.2 Teaching Team

Your teacher can be contacted via the email system on the portal.

Name	Email
Jesse Rostagno	jero@portal.griffithcollege.edu.au

1.3 Staff Consultation

Your teacher is available each week for consultation outside of normal class times. Times that your teacher will be available for consultation will be found on the Course Site.

1.4 Timetable

Your timetable is available on the Griffith College Portal at Class Timetable in Student and Services.

1.5 Technical Specifications

All students must have access to a computer or suitable mobile device.

2. Aims, Outcomes & Generic Skills

2.1 Course Aims

Upon the completion of this course students will be able to apply knowledge of more advanced mathematical principles, building on skills acquired in FND104. This course aims to further equip students with practical knowledge of the mathematical, financial and statistical principles required for further studies. It aims to develop students critical thinking and mathematical modelling skills and to instruct them in finding solutions to problems in a clear and logical fashion.



2.2 Learning Outcomes

After successfully completing this course you should be able to:

1. Apply understanding of mathematical concepts and techniques within conceptual problems.
2. Communicate using financial, statistical, everyday language and mathematical conventions.
3. Conduct mathematical investigations and evaluate the reasonableness of solutions.
4. Justify procedures, models, and decisions by explaining mathematical reasoning.
5. Solve complex problems by applying mathematical concepts and techniques.



2.3 Generic Skills and Capabilities

For further details on the Generic Skills please refer to the [Graduate Generic Skills and Capabilities policy](#).

Griffith College aims to develop graduates who have an open and critical approach to learning and a capacity for lifelong learning. Through engagement in their studies, students are provided with opportunities to begin the development of these and other generic skills.

Studies in this course will give you opportunities to begin to develop the following skills:

Generic Skills and Capabilities		Taught	Practised	Assessed
Acquisition of discipline knowledge and skills with critical judgement		✓	✓	✓
Communication and collaboration			✓	
Self-directed and active learning			✓	
Creative and future thinking			✓	✓
Social responsibility and ethical awareness				
Cultural competence and awareness in a culturally diverse environment				



3. Learning Resources

3.1 Required Learning Resources

Cambridge Senior Mathematics for QLD, General Mathematics Units 3 & 4. Your teacher will show you how to access it in class.

PDF chapters from the textbook will be freely available on the Course Site each week.

Non-programmable scientific calculator.

3.2 Recommended Learning Resources

N/A

3.3 College Support Services and Learning Resources

The College provides many facilities and support services to assist students in their studies. Links to information about College support resources that are available to students are included below for easy reference.

[Digital Library](#) – Databases to which Griffith College students have access to through the Griffith Library Databases.

MyStudy – there is a dedicated website for this course via MyStudy on the Griffith College Portal.

Griffith College is committed to ensuring academic integrity is understood and maintained by all staff and students. All students learn about academic integrity through engagement with the weighted Epigeum modules within the suite of Academic and Professional Studies courses.

Services and Support provides a range of services to support students throughout their studies including academic advice and assignment help from Student Learning Advisors, and personal and welfare support from Student Counsellors.

[Jobs and Employment](#) in the Student Hub can assist students with career direction, resume and interview preparation, job search tips, and more.

[IT Support](#) provides details of accessing support, information on s numbers and internet access and computer lab rules.

3.4 Other Information about your Learning

Attendance

You are expected to actively engage in all learning experiences and learning activities which underpin the learning content in this course. You are expected to engage with the learning content and learning activities outside of timetabled class times. This requires you to be an active agent of your learning. You are expected to bring all necessary learning resources to class such as the required textbook and /or Workbook. In addition, you are encouraged to BYOD (bring your own device) to class such as a laptop or tablet. This is not a requirement as computer lab facilities are available on campus, however, the use of such devices in the classroom is encouraged with appropriate and considerate use principles being a priority.

Preparation and Participation in Learning

In order to enhance your learning, you need to prepare before participating in the learning experiences. Absorb the learning content and complete the learning activities that are provided online before you attend the scheduled learning experiences. Make sure you complete the learning activities set each week, they are designed to support your learning. Active participation in your learning will enhance your success. Ask questions when something is unclear or when you want to bring some issue to your lecturer or tutor's attention; respond to questions to test your knowledge and engage in discussion to help yourself and others learn.

Consultation Sessions

Teachers offer extra time each week to assist students outside the classroom. This is known as 'consultation time.' You may seek assistance from your teacher on email or in person according to how the teacher has explained this to the class. Attendance during consultation time is optional but you are encouraged to use this extra help to improve your learning outcomes.

Course Learning Materials

Learning materials are made available to you in MyStudy on the Griffith College Portal. The learning materials are arranged in Modules. In each Module you will find Learning Content, Learning Experiences and Learning Activities. **Learning Content** will be engaged with prior to the scheduled **Learning Experience (your weekly class)**. This will ensure you are prepared for the scheduled Learning Experience by being aware of the content to be covered and therefore will be able to actively participate in the session. **Learning Activities** are accessed after the scheduled session for purposes of review, consolidation of learning, and preparation for the Evidence of Learning tasks (assessment) in the course.

In addition, **Anytime Anywhere** learning material is provided in the course. This learning material provides support, interactive tools and directions for students who occasionally cannot attend the weekly scheduled Learning Experience (either in person or on Zoom) perhaps due to illness or other commitments. The Anytime Anywhere learning material should also be used in conjunction with Learning Content and Learning Activities resources.

Self-Directed Learning

You will be expected to learn independently. This means you must organise and engage with the course learning content even when you are not specifically asked to do so by your lecturer or tutor. The weekly guide will be helpful to organise your learning. This involves revising the weekly course learning material and completing the learning activities. It also means you will need to find additional information to evidence your learning (assessment) beyond that given to you, and to construct your own response to a question or topic. All of this requires careful planning of your time. Expect to spend, on average, at least 10 hours per week including class time for each of your courses.

Program Progression

You are reminded that satisfactory Program Progression requires that attendance in classes is maintained at equal to or greater than 80%, and that GPA is maintained at equal to or greater than 3.5 [please see Griffith College Policy Library - [Program Progression Policy](#) - for more information].

Teacher and Course Evaluation

Your feedback is respected and valued by your lecturers and tutors. You are encouraged to provide your thoughts on the course and teaching, both positive and critical, directly to your lecturer and tutor or by completing course and lecturer evaluations via Griffith College's evaluation tool whenever these are available.



4. Learning Content, Learning Activities and Learning Experiences

4.1 Modules for Learning and Weekly Learning Content, Learning Activities and Learning Experience

	Learning Content 	Learning Experiences (Classwork) 	Learning Activities (Homework) 	Evidence of Learning 	Learning Outcome 
Module 1					
1	Bivariate Data Analysis	<p>Class Activities</p> <p>Introduction to Course & Outline</p> <p>Bivariate data, variables and investigating associations</p> <p>Displaying bivariate data (scatterplot)</p> <p>Measuring the strength for linear relationships – The Correlation Coefficient</p> <p>The Coefficient of Determination</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Chapter 1 Activities</p>		1, 2
2	Modelling Associations between Variables	<p>Class Activities</p> <p>Fitting a linear model to numerical data</p> <p>Using the least squares regression line to model a relationship between two numerical variables</p> <p>Association and Causation</p> <p>Conducting an investigation – solving practical problems</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Chapter 2 Activities</p>	<p>Instruction for Assignment 1</p>	1, 2, 3
3	Time Series Analysis	<p>Class Activities</p> <p>Time series data</p> <p>Describing time series plots</p> <p>Smoothing a time series using moving means</p> <p>Seasonal Indices</p> <p>Fitting a trend line and forecasting</p> <p>Conducting a statistical investigation involving time series</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Chapter 3 Activities</p>		1, 4
4	Arithmetic and Geometric Sequences	<p>Class Activities</p> <p>Sequences and simple recursion</p> <p>Defining an arithmetic sequence by recursion</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Chapter 4 Activities</p>	<p>Assignment 1 – 20% DUE</p>	1, 2, 4, 5

		Using the general rule for finding the n th term of an arithmetic sequence Application of arithmetic sequences Geometric sequences Using the general rule for finding the n th term of a geometric sequence Applications of geometric sequences			
5	Earth Geometry and Time Zones	Classwork Angle measurement and arc length Latitude and Longitude Time Zone and time differences Skills Check and Catch up	Homework Chapter 5 Activities		1, 4
6	Revision	Classwork Revision of weeks 1 – 5 Practice Test	Homework Chapter 6 Revision Activities	Module 1 Exam -30%	1, 2, 4, 5
Module 2					
7	Compound Interest Loans and Investments	Classwork Sequences and recurrence relations Modelling simple and compound interest situations with recurrence relations Investigating compound interest loans and investments Effective annual rate of interest Solving problems involving compound interest	Homework Chapter 7 Activities		1, 2
8	Reducing-Balance Loans, Annuities and Perpetuities	Classwork Recursive model for reducing – balance loans Investigating reducing-balance loans Solving problems involving reducing-balance loans Recursive model for annuities Investigating annuities Solving problems involving annuities with technology	Homework Chapter 8 Activities Chapter 9 Activities	Instruction for Assignment 2	1, 2, 3
9	Graphs and Networks	Classwork Graphs and associated terminology The Adjacency Matrix Planar Graphs and Euler's Formula	Homework Chapter 10 Activities		1, 4, 5

		<p>Exploring a graph</p> <p>Eularian graphs and applications</p> <p>Hamilton graphs and applications</p> <p>Weighted graphs, networks, and shortest path problems</p>			
10	Connector, Assignment and Flow Problems	<p>Classwork</p> <p>Trees and connector problems</p> <p>Assignment problems and the Hungarian algorithm</p> <p>Flow Networks</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Chapter 11 Activities</p>	<p>Assignment 2 Due – 20%</p>	1, 2, 4, 5
11	Project Planning and Scheduling	<p>Classwork</p> <p>Project Planning – precedence tables and activity networks</p> <p>Scheduling problems</p> <p>Applications of critical path analysis</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Chapter 12 Activities</p>		1, 2, 4, 5
12	Revision	<p>Classwork</p> <p>Revision of weeks 7 – 11</p> <p>Practise Test</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Chapter 13 Revision Activities</p>	<p>Module 2 Exam – 30% - Exam Period</p>	1, 2, 4, 5



5. Evidence of Learning (Assessment Plan)

5.1 Evidence of Learning Summary

	 Evidence of learning	 Weighting	 Learning outcome	 Due Date
1	Module 1 - Assignment	20%	2, 3	Week 4
2	Module 1 – Exam	30%	1, 2, 5	Week 6
3	Module 2 – Assignment	20%	3, 4	Week 10
4	Module 2 - Exam	30%	1, 2, 4, 5	Exam Period

5.2 Evidence of Learning Task Detail

Module 1 Assignment – The Module 1 assignment will be a statistics-based report. Your teacher will give you this assignment in class in Week 2 and the report will be due in Week 4. This assignment will assess learning outcomes 2 and 3.

Module 1 Exam – Module 1 exam/quiz will be held online and will be a combination of short answer, multiple choice, and problem-solving questions from Weeks 1 – 5 content inclusive. This assessment will assess learning outcomes 1, 2 and 5.

Module 2 Assignment – The Module 2 research assignment will be based on a financial topic (interest, loans, investments, or annuities) and will be due in Week 10. Your teacher will give you more information for this assignment in class. This assignment will assess learning outcomes 3 and 4.

Module 2 Exam – Module 2 exam will be held online during the final exam period and will be a combination of short answer, multiple choice, and problem-solving questions from Weeks 7 - 12 content inclusive. This assessment will assess learning outcomes 1, 2, 4 and 5.

5.3 Late Submission

An evidence of learning (assessment) item submitted after the due date, without an approved extension from the Course Coordinator, will be penalised. The standard penalty is the reduction of the mark allocated to the assessment item by 5% of the maximum mark applicable for the assessment item, for each working day or part working day that the item is late. Evidence of learning items submitted more than five working days after the due date are awarded zero marks.

Please refer to the Griffith College website - Policy Library > [Assessment Policy](#) for guidelines and penalties for late submission.

5.4 Other Information about Evidence of Learning

Retention of Originals

You must be able to produce a copy of all work submitted if so requested. Copies should be retained until after the release of final results for the course.

Requests for extension

To apply for an extension of time for an evidence of learning item, you must submit an [Application for Extension of Assignment](#) form to your teacher at least 24 hours before the date the assignment is due. Grounds for extensions are usually: serious illness, accident, disability, bereavement or other compassionate circumstances and must be able to be substantiated with relevant documentation [e.g. [Griffith College Student Medical Certificate](#)]. Please refer to the Griffith College website - [Policy Library](#) - for guidelines regarding extensions and deferred assessment.

Return of Evidence of Learning Items

1. Marks awarded for in-trimester evidence of learning items, except those being moderated externally with Griffith University, will be available on the Student Portal within fourteen [14] days of the due date. This does not apply to the final evidence of learning item in this course (marks for this item will be provided with the final course result).
2. Students will be advised of their final grade through the Student Portal. Students can review their final exam papers after student grades have been published. Review of final exam papers will not be permitted after the final date to enrol.
3. Marks for **all** evidence of learning items including the final exam (if applicable) will be recorded in the Moodle Course Site and made available to students through the Moodle Course Site.

The sum of your marks of evidence of learning items in this course does not necessarily imply your final grade for the course. Standard grade cut off scores can be varied for particular courses, so you need to wait for the official release of grades to be sure of your grade for this course.

6. Policies & Guidelines

Griffith College assessment-related policies can be found in the [Griffith College Policy Library](#) which include the following policies:

[Assessment Policy](#), [Special Consideration](#), [Deferred Assessment](#), [Alternate Exam Sitings](#), [Medical Certificates](#), [Academic Integrity](#), [Finalisation of Results](#), [Review of Marks](#), [Moderation of Assessment](#), [Turn-it-in Software Use](#). These policies can be accessed within the [Policy Library](#)

Academic Integrity Griffith College is committed to maintaining high academic standards to protect the value of its qualifications. Academic integrity means acting with the values of honesty, trust, fairness, respect and responsibility in learning, teaching and research. It is important for students, teachers, researchers and all staff to act in an honest way, be responsible for their actions, and show fairness in every part of their work. Academic integrity is important for an individual's and the College's reputation.

All staff and students of the College are responsible for academic integrity. As a student, you are expected to conduct your studies honestly, ethically and in accordance with accepted standards of academic conduct. Any form of academic conduct that is contrary to these standards is considered a breach of academic integrity and is unacceptable.

Some students deliberately breach academic integrity standards with intent to deceive. This conscious, pre-meditated form of cheating is considered to be one of the most serious forms of fraudulent academic behaviour, for which the College has zero tolerance and for which penalties, including exclusion from the College, will be applied.

However, Griffith College also recognises many students breach academic integrity standards without intent to deceive. In these cases, students may be required to undertake additional educational activities to remediate their behaviour and may also be provided appropriate advice by academic staff.

As you undertake your studies at Griffith College, your lecturers, tutors and academic advisors will provide you with guidance to understand and maintain academic integrity; however, it is also your responsibility to seek out guidance if and when you are unsure about appropriate academic conduct.

In the case of an allegation of a breach of academic integrity being made against a student he or she may request the guidance and support of a Griffith College Student Learning Advisor or Student Counsellor.

Please ensure that you are familiar with the Griffith College Academic Integrity Policy; this policy provides an overview of some of the behaviours that are considered breaches of academic integrity, as well as the penalties and processes involved when a breach is identified.

For further information please refer to the Griffith College website - Policy Library > [Academic Integrity Policy](#)

Reasonable Adjustments for Assessment – The Disability Services policy

The [Disability Services policy](#) (accessed within the [Policy Library](#)) outlines the principles and processes that guide the College in making reasonable adjustments to assessment for students with disabilities while maintaining academic robustness of its programs.

Risk Assessment Statement

There are no out of the ordinary risks associated with this course.

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