| Module Code: | SCI428 |
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Module Title: $\quad$ Maths and Statistics for Science


| Cost <br> Centre(s): | GAFS | JACS3 code: | F100 |
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| School: | Applied Science, <br> Computing \& Engineering | Module <br> Leader: | Dr Jixin Yang |
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| Scheduled learning and teaching hours | 36 hrs |
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| Guided independent study | 164 hrs |
| Placement | 0 hrs |
| Module duration (total hours) | 200 hrs |


| Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards) | Core | Option |
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| BSc (Hons) Forensic Science | $\checkmark$ | $\square$ |
| BSc (Hons) Chemistry | $\checkmark$ | $\square$ |

## Pre-requisites

None.

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## Module Aims

A proper understanding of science, both pure and applied, requires a student to have a good working knowledge and understanding of mathematics. This module will bring students up to the required level for university science programme. Basic statistics, probability and data analysis will also be covered in this module to facilitate the students with essential skills of data processing for their later modules.

## Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability
KS1 Written, oral and media communication skills
KS2 Leadership, team working and networking skills
KS3 Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
KS4 Information technology skills and digital literacy
KS5 Information management skills
KS6 Research skills
KS7 Intercultural and sustainability skills
KS8 Career management skills
KS9 Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, selfmanagement)
KS10 Numeracy

| At the end of this module, students will be able to |  | Key Skills |  |
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| 1 | Express numbers using scientific notation and significant figures. | KS1 | KS10 |
|  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Manipulate algebraic expressions and calculations. | KS3 | KS4 |
|  |  | KS10 |  |
| 3 | Interpret and calculate basic numeric measures of average and spread. | KS3 | KS10 |
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| 4 | Estimate probabilities and perform hypothesis tests. | KS3 | KS5 |
|  |  | KS10 |  |
| 5 | Apply basic statistical knowledge to their data processing in laboratory modules. | KS3 | KS4 |
|  |  | KS5 | KS10 |
| Transferable skills and other attributes |  |  |  |

- Numeracy
- Time management
- IT skills
- Note Taking


## Derogations

N/A.

## Assessment:

## Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Assessment 1: Coursework of approximately 20 short questions in total on knowledge and calculations in maths and statistics (50\%). There will be two submission dates. The first one will be around the middle of the semester and the second one near the end of semester.

Assessment 2: In-class tests (unseen for the maths part and open-book for the statistics part) ( $50 \%$ ). The first one will occur around the middle of the semester and the second one near the end of semester.

| Assessment <br> number | Learning <br> Outcomes to <br> be met | Type of assessment | Weighting <br> (\%) | Duration <br> (if exam) | Word count <br> (or equivalent if <br> appropriate) |
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| 1 | $1,2,3,4,5$ | Coursework | 50 |  | 1500 |
| 2 | $1,2,3,4,5$ | In-class test | 50 | 2 hours |  |

## Learning and Teaching Strategies:

Methods of delivery:

## Lectures

Problem solving workshops
Directed study via Moodle
VLE Student directed study
The basic factual material will be delivered by means of lectures. Lectures will be supported by workshops in which the students will be able to test their knowledge and understanding of the concepts covered. Students will further be able to develop their knowledge and understanding by attempting problem sets and quizzes on Moodle VLE. Independent studentdirected learning will enable students to delve more deeply into the subject material, enhancing their learning, while developing their IT skills. External links of maths support are available for students to practice and self-test their mathematical skills.

## Syllabus outline:

- Numbers, scientific notation and significant figures
- Algebra and manipulation of algebraic expressions
- Plotting and interpreting graphs
- Powers, indices, exponentials and logarithms
- Some simple rules of differentiation
- Integration: reversing differentiation
- Fundamental knowledge in geometry and trigonometry
- Introduction to statistics
- Introduction to probability
- Normal distribution
- Basic t-test
- Regression and calibration


## Indicative Bibliography:

## Essential reading

Monk, P. and Munro, L.J. (2010), Maths for Chemistry: A Chemist's Toolkit of calculations. 2nd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## Other indicative reading

Boardman, S. Clough, T. and Evans, D. (2004) Advancing Maths for AQA, Pure Core Maths 1 \& 2. Oxford: Heinemann.

Ennos, R. (2011), Statistical and data handling skills in biology. 3rd ed. Essex: Pearson Education Limited.

