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# About the School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences

The School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences at Heriot-Watt University Malaysia is a leading academic institution that offers a comprehensive range of programmes in the fields of mathematics and computer science. With a strong focus on research and innovation, the school provides students with a dynamic and intellectually stimulating learning environment.

At the School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences, students have access to state-of-the-art facilities and cutting-edge technology, enabling them to develop their analytical and problem-solving skills. The faculty comprises highly qualified and experienced academics who are dedicated to delivering quality education and mentoring students to achieve their full potential.

The school offers a wide range of undergraduate programmes and bachelor's degrees in statistical data science, computer science, and actuarial science. These programmes are designed to equip students with the necessary knowledge and skills to excel in their chosen fields.

In addition to academic excellence, the School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences fosters a supportive and inclusive community, encouraging collaboration and interaction among students and faculty members. Various extracurricular activities and student organisations provide opportunities for personal growth and networking.

By studying at the School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences at Heriot-Watt University Malaysia, students can expect a rigorous academic curriculum, access to world-class resources, and a supportive learning environment that prepares them for successful careers in mathematics and computer science.

# **About Our Programmes**

# **BSc (HONS) ACTUARIAL SCIENCE**

KPT/JPS (R/462/6/008) (FA4167) 06/24

#### Intake: September

Actuaries manage risk and uncertainty and evaluate the likely impact of future events. Heriot-Watt University's Actuarial Science programme is world-famous for its excellence. It contains all the courses that are essential for ensuring a flying start to a career as an actuary whilst at the same time fostering highly transferable mathematical skills.

If you excel at mathematics, enjoy problem solving, and are looking for a degree that will prepare you for a rewarding career – both intellectually and financially – Actuarial Science could be the programme for you.

#### **ACCREDITATION**

Professional actuarial exams are essential for students pursuing a career in actuarial science. The Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA) offers these exams which assess the knowledge and skills of aspiring actuaries and are recognised globally as a benchmark for professional competence in the field.

For Heriot-Watt University Malaysia's Actuarial Science programme, the IFoA exams are a vital part of the curriculum. The programme is designed to prepare students for these exams and equip them with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in the actuarial profession. Heriot-Watt University offers Actuarial Science students the opportunity to obtain exemptions for a maximum of 11 papers\* from the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries' (IFoA's) professional exams, allowing them to streamline their academic journey by recognising their prior coursework and providing a pathway towards achieving their actuarial qualifications. The degree is also accredited by the Royal Statistical Society and by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA).

\* this relates to our MSc Actuarial Management programme.

We are also recognised by the Society of Actuaries (SOA) under Universities & Colleges with Actuarial Programs-Advanced Curriculum (UCAP-AC), which is the highest level of recognition in Malaysia.





#### Year 1:

- · Probability and Statistics A & B
- · Multivariable Calculus and Real Analysis A & B
- Actuarial and Financial Mathematics
- · Linear Algebra
- · Algorithmic and Scientific Programming
- · Data Science Life Cycle

#### Year 2:

- · Life Insurance Mathematics A & B
- · Stochastic Processes
- · Survival Models
- · Statistical Models A & B
- · Economics for the Professions
- · Finance and Financial Reporting

#### Year 3:

- · Financial Markets and Investments
- Financial Derivatives
- · Time Series & Machine Learning
- · Risk Theory

Optional and elective courses available for Year 3 include:

- · Further Statistical Methods
- · Sustainability
- · International Bonds and Currency Markets
- · Optimisation
- · Bayesian Inference and Computational Methods
- · Database Management Systems
- · Advanced Machine Learning
- Taxation (Malaysia) acceptable to the University.

#### **Entry Requirements**

- · A-Level / STPM: ABB
- UEC: 8 points including A1 in Mathematics and Advanced Mathematics, A2 in English
- ATAR (WACE/SACE): WACE: 90 including 80% in Mathematics Method / Specialist | SACE: 90% including 17 in Mathematics Method / Specialist
- · Canada Year 12 High School Diploma: CPU is not acceptable
- International Baccalaureate Diploma: 28 points with 6 in HL AA Mathematics (HL Analysis and Approaches Mathematics)
- · Foundation: CGPA 3.5 (further assessment is required)
- · Diploma: Diploma with CGPA 3.5 (further assessment is required)
- Foundation in Business / Foundation in Science (from Heriot-Watt University Malaysia): Grade C average including A in Mathematics and C in English
- · SMA 3 (Indonesia): 8.0
- · Year 12 State Board High School Examination (India): 75%
- · Senior High School Graduation Certificate (China): 80%

#### Note:

In addition to the entry requirements listed above, applicants must have grade A in Mathematics at SPM/ IGCSE or equivalent. This requirement can be waived if applicants have obtained at least grade pass in Mathematics at a higher level.

We highly urge all prospective students to submit their applications. Our students comprise of individuals with a wide array of qualifications. The most comprehensive way for us to assess eligibility is by receiving a completed application comprising of academic qualification.

Entry requirements in the prospectus and website may not always apply and individual offers may vary.

### **BSc (HONS) COMPUTING SCIENCE**

KPT/1PS (N/481/6/0833) (MOA/PA14530) 06/26

#### Intake: September, January

In today's era of digitisation, computer scientists and software engineers are leading the way in driving the latest advancements across a wide range of fields such as artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, bioinformatics, healthcare, and data informatics. Our BSc (Hons) Computing Science degree focuses on software development and algorithms, with the aim of creating robust and user-friendly systems for industry and commerce.

This programme is designed to provide a well-balanced mix of theoretical knowledge and practical experience, with a strong emphasis on the latest tools and techniques, to help you develop the next generation of software tools that other system contractors will use. Our curriculum is strongly supported by our academic staff's research expertise and industrial linkages, ensuring that students receive an all-rounded education.

#### **ACCREDITATION**

We have obtained the initial full accreditation from BCS, The Chartered Insitute of IT, UK.

#### Year 1:

- · Software Development A and B
- · Mathematics for Computer Science
- · Introduction to Interaction Design
- · Introduction to Computer Systems
- · Introduction to Software Engineering
- · Data Structures and Algorithms
- · Database Management Systems

#### Year 2:

- · Software Engineering
- · Data Communications and Networking
- · Foundations 1 & 2
- · Programming Languages
- · Professional Development
- · Operating Systems and Concurrency
- · Hardware-Software Interface
- · Industrial Training (Summer internship)

#### Year 3

- · Project Research Methods and Requirements Engineering
- · Computer Network Security
- · Artificial Intelligence and Intelligent Agents
- Project: Design and Implementation
- · Project: Testing and Presentation

Optional courses available for Year 3 include courses from the Artificial Intelligence or Data Science streams:

- · Data Mining and Machine Learning
- · Big Data Management
- · Data Visualisation
- Applied Text Analytics
- · Distributed and Parallel Technologies

#### **Entry Requirements**

- · A-Level / STPM: BBB
- · UEC: 12 points or less including A in Mathematics
- · ATAR (WACE/SACE): ATAR 80
- · Canada Year 12 High School Diploma: 80%
- · International Baccalaureate Diploma: 26 points with 5 in HL Mathematics AA or Al
- · Foundation: CGPA3.0 (further assessment is required)
- · Diploma: CGPA 3.0 (further assessment is required)
- Foundation in Business / Foundation in Science (from Heriot-Watt University Malaysia): Grade C average including B in Mathematics and C in English
- · SMA 3 (Indonesia): 8.0
- · Year 12 State Board High School Examination (India): 70%
- · Senior High School Graduation Certificate (China): 80%

#### Note:

In addition to the entry requirements listed above, applicants must have grade B in Mathematics at SPM/ IGCSE or equivalent. This requirement can be waived if applicants have obtained at least grade pass in Mathematics at a higher level.

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# **BSc (HONS) STATISTICAL DATA SCIENCE**

KPT/JPS (R/462/6/0018) (MOA/FA8513) 06/27

#### **Intake: September**

The applications of statistical data science range from economics and medicine to social and environmental sciences. Our BSc (Hons) in Statistical Data Science provides a blend of both theoretical and applied elements of modern statistics, and aims to give students the training in modelling, analysing and interpreting real data that is required in the economy, industry and research. The first year of the programme covers basic mathematics, probability and statistics. The final two years focus on specialist topics of statistical modelling and advanced courses in mathematics and data science. A variety of statistical computer packages are used.

Our programme is accredited by the Royal Statistical Society. It is possible for students who have completed the programme to apply for some exemptions from the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA) professional examinations.

We have obtained the initial full accreditation from BCS, The Chartered Institute of IT, UK.



#### Year 1:

- Probability and Statistics A & B
- Multivariable Calculus and Real Analysis A & B
- Actuarial and Financial Mathematics
- Linear Algebra
- Algorithmic and Scientific Programming
- · Data Science Life Cycle

#### Year 2:

- · Statistical Models A & B
- Further Statistical Methods
- Stochastic Processes
- · Bayesian Inference and Computational Methods

Optional and elective courses available for Year 2 include:

- Artificial Intelligence and Intelligent Models
- Interactive Design
- Survival Models
- Database Management Systems
- · Ordinary Differential Equations

- Statistics Dissertation A & B
- · Time Series & Machine Learning

Optional and elective courses available for Year 3 include:

- Data Assimilation
- Optimisation
- Financial Markets and Investments
- Sustainability
- Risk Theory
- Database Management Systems
- Big Data Management
- Statistics Special Topic
- Financial Derivatives
- Advanced Machine Learning

# Entry Requirements · A-Level / STPM: ABB

- UEC: 8 points including Al in Mathematics and Advanced Mathematics,
- ATAR (WACE/SACE): WACE: 90 including 80% in Mathematics Method / Specialist | SACE: 90% including 17 in Mathematics Method / Specialist
- Canada Year 12 High School Diploma: CPU is not acceptable
- International Baccalaureate Diploma: 28 points with 6 in HL AA Mathematics (HL Analysis and Approaches Mathematics)
- Foundation: CGPA 3.5 (further assessment is required)
- Diploma: Diploma with CGPA 3.5 (further assessment is required)
- Foundation in Business / Foundation in Science (from Heriot-Watt University Malaysia): Grade C average including A in Mathematics and C in English
- SMA 3 (Indonesia): 8.0
- Year 12 State Board High School Examination (India): 75%
- Senior High School Graduation Certificate (China): 80%

In addition to the entry requirements listed above, applicants must have grade A in Mathematics at SPM/ IGCSE or equivalent. This requirement can be waived if applicants have obtained at least grade pass in Mathematics at a higher level.

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# **Proud HWUMANS**



# Tan Kah Jie (Oscar)

**BSc (Hons) Actuarial Science** (Class of 2020), Associate, Product Pricing at Great Eastern Life, Malaysia

Professional lecturers, tranquil environment, friendly staff, multinational exposure. everything you can dream of not only to succeed in your studies, but to widen your horizon and enhance your personal development. The course has been prepared so that the skills learned are really useful in your workplace.



# Gian Atmaja

BSc (Hons) Actuarial Science (Class of 2021), Technology Consultant, Data & Analytics at Ernst & Young, Indonesia

As an alumnus, I am proud to say that the University has greatly helped me in preparing for my career. I have always been impressed by Heriot-Watt University Malaysia's commitment to deliver great quality education, with directly applicable, as well as highly marketable analytical and computing skills, which are sought after in the current industry.



# Miracle Wona

**BSc (Hons) Statistical Data Science** (Class of 2023), Data Science and Analytics Intern at Bank Negara Malaysia

Even though I chose to study at Heriot-Watt due to the course, what astonished me was the high quality of teaching and academic support. The lecturers are responsive to feedback, eager to address my numerous queries, and motivate me to delve deeper into my degree. With their assistance, I was able to actively participate in shaping my education, gain a thorough comprehension of the course material, and maintain an inquisitive approach to learning about Data Science and its intricacies.



### Sze Kah Shen

**BSc (Hons) Computing Science** (Class of 2024), Intern at JurisTech

The programme is structured in such a way that students have the opportunity to explore various areas in computing science. This has been incredibly enlightening for me because, initially, I had the impression that the programme would solely focus on programming. However, it has turned out that I am able to delve into networking, database management, user interface design, and more. This exposure has proven to be highly advantageous for career planning purposes.



# Nicholas Chong Ing Hooi

**BSc (Hons) Actuarial Science** (Class of 2016), Manager at Innovation, Innovation of Securities Commission, Malaysia

I am proud of the impact that Heriot-Watt University Malaysia has created over the last decade - helping students be more resilient with positive education, empowering them to create their impact and more recently, enabling the underserved community through the Leaders with Impact Scholarship, just to name a few.



### Cheo Kar Sin

BSc (Hons) Statistical Data Science (Class of 2021), Management Consultant at Oliver Wyman, Malaysia

Heriot-Watt University Malaysia was an amazing place for me to grow, learn and have fun during my University time. It has enabled me to explore my fullest potential in both academic and extracurricular activities, setting me up for a smooth career path ahead

# Go Global

Our Go Global programme offers students a seamless range of international opportunities, including study abroad programmes, international internships, research exchanges, and cultural immersion experiences. Through these initiatives, students gain valuable global perspectives, develop cross-cultural skills, and broaden their horizons. With support and guidance from dedicated staff, the programmes prepares students for success in a globalised world, fostering inter-cultural competence and equipping them with the necessary skills for a successful future.





Heriot-Watt University Malaysia accepts applications all year round.

# APPLY ONLINE

You can apply online for our programmes at https://bit.ly/HWApply. You must create an in one session; you can save the information you have already entered and return to complete it at a later date. There is a help facility on each page of the online form.

# SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please remember to upload supporting documents so that we can make a decision on your application. This includes proof of English language proficiency and original or certified copies of academic transcripts.

Please refer to the supplemental item checklist on the Online Application form:

See website for details of fees:



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