1. **Title of the module**

MACT9500 (MA950) - PROPHET 1

1. **Division or partner institution which will be responsible for management of the module**

Division of Computing, Engineering and Mathematical Sciences

1. **The level of the module (Level 4, Level 5, Level 6 or Level 7)**

Level 7

1. **The number of credits and the ECTS value which the module represents**

15 credits (7.5 ECTS)

1. **Which term(s) the module is to be taught in (or other teaching pattern)**

Autumn, Spring or Summer

1. **Prerequisite and co-requisite modules**

None

1. **The programmes of study to which the module contributes**

MSc in Applied Actuarial Science also with an Industrial Placement and International Masters

1. **The intended subject specific learning outcomes.  
   On successfully completing the module students will be able to:**

8.1 demonstrate skills in specific actuarial software and information technology (e.g. PROPHET).

8.2 understand the principles of specific actuarial mathematics techniques.

1. **The intended generic learning outcomes.  
   On successfully completing the module students will be able to:**

9.1 solve actuarial problems using appropriate computer techniques and demonstrate skills using appropriate information technology.

1. **A synopsis of the curriculum**

This module gives students practical experience of working with the financial actuarial model, PROPHET, which is used by commercial companies worldwide primarily for profit testing, valuation and model office work. Outline syllabus includes: overview of the uses and applications of PROPHET; introduction on how to use the software package (including security implications); using Example Profit Test to perform and check the results (for reasonableness) on new business profit tests on various products using the edit facility on the model point file, parameter file and global file; creation of a new product on PROPHET using an empty workspace and selecting the appropriate indicators and variables for that product; setting up a model point file, parameter file and global file for the new product and also setting up a run setting and run structure for this product; performing a profit test for the new product using one in force model point and one new business model point and checking the cash flow results obtained; performing a number of sensitivity tests on a series of new business model points to achieve a given profit criteria; reporting on dependencies in Diagram View; updating the library and product; using the re-scan and regeneration of products facilities.

1. **Reading list (Indicative list, current at time of publication. Reading lists will be published annually)**

This is primarily a practical module. The majority of the reading will be provided by specific lecture notes.

1. **Learning and teaching methods**

Total contact hours 36:

Private study hours: 114

Total study hours:150

1. **Assessment methods**
   1. Main assessment methods

PROPHET 1 - Test 1 Computer based test 60 minutes 50%

PROPHET 1 - Test 2 Computer based test 60 minutes 50%

13.2 Reassessment methods

Like-for like

1. **Map of module learning outcomes (sections 8 & 9) to learning and teaching methods (section12) and methods of assessment (section 13)**

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| **Module learning outcome** | *8.1* | *8.2* | *9.1* |
| **Learning/ teaching method** |  |  |  |
| Private Study | **x** | **x** | **X** |
| Classes | **x** | **x** | **X** |
| **Assessment method** |  |  |  |
| Test 1 | **x** | **x** | **X** |
| Test 2 | **x** | **x** | **X** |

1. **Inclusive module design**

The Division recognises and has embedded the expectations of current equality legislation, by ensuring that the module is as accessible as possible by design. Additional alternative arrangements for students with Inclusive Learning Plans (ILPs)/declared disabilities will be made on an individual basis, in consultation with the relevant policies and support services.

The inclusive practices in the guidance (see Annex B Appendix A) have been considered in order to support all students in the following areas:

a) Accessible resources and curriculum

b) Learning, teaching and assessment methods

1. **Campus(es) or centre(s) where module will be delivered**

Canterbury

1. **Internationalisation**

Actuarial Science is an international subject with techniques developed and refined by actuaries, mathematicians and statisticians across the globe. Mastery of the subject-specific learning outcomes (section 8) will equip students to apply the techniques of this module in a wide range of international contexts. The module team is drawn from the School of Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Science, which includes many members of staff with international experience of teaching and research.

Examples with an international dimension are included in the module where appropriate.

The support SMSAS provides to its students is also internationally attuned given our international student body.

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