

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information							
Module Title	Foundation Mathematical Investigations						
Module Code	UFMFGG-15-0		Level	Level 3			
For implementation from	2020-21						
UWE Credit Rating	15		ECTS Credit Rating	7.5			
Faculty	Faculty of Environment & Technology		Field	Engineering, Design and Mathematics			
Department	FET [ET Dept of Engin Design & Mathematics					
Module type:	Stand	Standard					
Pre-requisites		None					
Excluded Combinations		None					
Co- requisites		None					
Module Entry requirements		None					

Part 2: Description

Educational Aims: See Learning Outcomes

Outline Syllabus: Mathematical content

Number systems, basic number theory, sequences and series, discrete dynamical systems, iteration of a function, probability.

Mathematical Software

Use of mathematical software to perform numerical and algebraic computations, data structures, functions, graphical output, simple procedures involving function evaluation, loops and if statements.

Investigations

The types of investigation considered in the module will evolve over time. The following list provides an indication of typical investigations that could be considered; number searches for prime and perfect numbers, sorting algorithms, study of the dynamics of particular integer sequences, e.g. Fibonacci, Catalan, Stirling sequences. Methods for computing approximations to irrational numbers.

STUDENT AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

Teaching and Learning Methods: Scheduled learning: Lectures, workshops and PC Lab based sessions.

Independent learning: Problem solving; worksheet exercises, assignment work, examination preparation and (directed) reading.

Hours: Contact: 36

Assimilation and skill development: 54

Coursework: 15 Exam preparation: 45

Total: 150

Part 3: Assessment

This module is designed to encourage students to learn mathematics through investigation and enquiry and this is reflected in the assessment strategy which will involve a single assignment containing exercises designed to assess understanding and proficiency in the use of the mathematical software introduced in the module and mathematical investigation skills.

First Sit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Written Assignment - Component A		100 %	Assignment -2500 words
Resit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Written Assignment - Component A		100 %	Assignment - 2500 words

Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods							
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes:						
	Module Learning Outcomes	Reference					
	Communicate mathematical concepts using appropriate language in a cle concise manner						
	Implement an iterative process	MO2					
	Conduct and summarise findings from a mathematical investigation						
	Use mathematical software to implement mathematical techniques and procedures	MO4					
Contact Hours	Independent Study Hours:						
	Independent study/self-guided study 11						
	Total Independent Study Hours: 1						

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	Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:					
	Face-to-face learning	36				
	Total Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:	36				
	Hours to be allocated	150				
	Allocated Hours	150				
Reading List	The reading list for this module can be accessed via the following link:					
	https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ufmfgg-15-0.html					

Part 5: Contributes Towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

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