

Life Insurance Mathematics - Introduction

The seminar will be held as block course and is taught in English.

The course will provide you with essential skills for understanding common life insurance products covering the risk of death and longevity respectively for one and two individuals insured. You will learn how to calculate premiums and premium reserves and understand the calculation principles of life insurance products. The course will end with the ideas of profit sharing being assigned to holders of with-profit contracts.

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- Chapter 3: Premium Calculation
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