



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

### Metodi Quantitativi per le Assicurazioni

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#### Learning objectives

The central theme of the course is the set of mathematical and statistical methods used to answer questions such as determining the premium of a life insurance policy or calculating the amount needed to secure a supplementary pension. These are fundamental questions both for the investor purchasing protection (which often has features very similar to those of an investment), and for the insurance companies selling it, which—while collecting premiums—must monitor their exposure to various sources of risk in a continuously evolving regulatory environment.

The course consists of two modules: Actuarial Mathematics (taught by Prof. Fabio Bellini) and Statistics for Insurance (taught by an industry professional). We recommend including this course in your study plan alongside Insurance Risks, held in the second semester, which focuses more on methods for non-life insurance.

In summary, we can ex ante outline the following learning objectives:

- Understand the fundamental concepts of modeling human life duration and use them to calculate the actuarial value and premium of the main types of life contingencies
- Use R to download, visualize, and model mortality data, as well as to perform actuarial calculations and simulations
- Critically read and interpret the information document of a life insurance policy
- Understand the quantitative aspects of insurance regulation, with particular focus on the Solvency II framework as it applies to life insurance

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## **Detailed program**

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## **Prerequisites**

Basic knowledge of general mathematics (derivatives and integrals), financial mathematics (annuities and present values), and probability (random variables).

## **Teaching methods**

Lectures, assignment and discussion of problems and exercises, R programming lab, and exploration of current topics.

## **Assessment methods**

The examination for the two modules, Actuarial Mathematics and Statistics for Insurance, will take place in a single session consisting of an oral exam and the discussion of a project developed in R.

## **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

- Olivieri, A., Pitacco, E., [Introduction to Insurance Mathematics](#)
- Charpentier, A. [Computational actuarial science with R](#)
- Wicham, H., Golemund, G. [R for Data Science](#)
- Cesari, R., Valerio A. [Risk Management e imprese di assicurazione](#)
- materiali forniti dai docenti

## **Semester**

Primo semestre

## **Teaching language**

Italiano

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

QUALITY EDUCATION

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