

MS in Applied Statistics and Decision Making. (**previously approved in concept** at the October 2011 Joint Council.) The proposal has been reviewed now by external evaluators and has been recommended for submission to the NYSED for registration. Incremental faculty resources required for the program are minimal and likely to be simply re-deployment of existing faculty resources. Faculty to teach on the program are to be drawn from: Robert Wharton, Chaitra Najaraman, Alex Markle. The proposal is for Joint Council to approve the program so that it may be submitted to NYSED for registration. A copy of the proposed program is copied below for your convenience.

## **MS in Applied Statistics and Decision Making**

### **Target Students:**

Recent graduates with a BA or BS in a quantitative discipline such as mathematics, statistics, science, engineering or economics. Also older students interested in repositioning their careers.

### **Enrollment Goals:**

Domestics Students: 10  
International students: 25  
Target regions: China (20), India (3), Turkey (2)

### **Why would a student enroll? What are we attempting to deliver?**

For the domestic student with a baccalaureate degree in a quantitative discipline, this program will act acquire specific saleable skills. It will also act as abridge to the business world teaching the student how to make a contribution in such fields as Finance, Marketing and Healthcare. This degree would seek to orient the student to opportunities in the market economy or to opportunities for further study.

### **The Learning Objectives are:**

1. To educate the student in the theory and applications of Statistics and decision making.  
*Assessment: Standard classroom measures – competency examinations*
2. To induce the student to integrate the skills they have learned and apply them to real business problems.  
*Assessment: The student will write a paper under faculty supervision describing the analysis of a Business problem using real data.*
3. To give the student an in depth understanding of the use of statistics and decision making within a specific business discipline such as Finance, Marketing or Healthcare.  
*Assessment: The student will be required to successfully complete a course involving the application of statistics and decision making within this specific business discipline.*

**The routes a student could follow in conjunction with study for the MSASDM are as follows:**

**Route 1:** MSASDM → Full time employment, applying Statistics in Finance, Health Care, Marketing or Government

**Route 2:** MSASDM → Extended internship (at least one year) or full-time employment (more than one year) → Fordham MBA

**Route 3:** MSASDM → MS in xx at Fordham → Full-time employment in the field designated by the MS in xx

**Route 4:** MSASDM → MSQF

**Route 5:** MSASDM → Ph.D. in Statistics or a related discipline

### **The Program**

30 credit hours earned from August through May. The program consists of one cohort of 35 students.

#### August Program

3 weeks

#### **Pre-requisites for those requiring: (zero credits)**

Business English for International students (if needed) – 1.5 hrs per day, 5 days a week.

Mathematics for Quantitative Finance\* (QF 8904)

#### Fall Term: 15 credits

Statistical Theory I  
Statistical Methods and Computation I  
Decision Theory  
Statistical Elective  
Statistical Elective

#### Spring Term: 15 credits

Statistical Theory II (To include Linear Models)  
Applied regression Analysis\* (DGGB7840)  
Statistical Elective  
Statistical Elective  
Statistical Elective

#### Statistical Electives

Design of experiments\* (PSGE7210) **OR** Experimental Design\*(PSYC7965)  
Statistical Process Control\* (MGGB7605)  
Time Series and Forecasting Models\* (DGGB 7850)  
Statistical Methods and Computation II  
Design of Statistical Studies  
Sampling Theory and Survey Design  
Bayesian Statistics

Stochastic Processes  
Qualitative Decision Making  
Quantitative Methods in Decision Making\* (PSGE6215)  
Data Mining for Business\* (ISGB new)  
Business Analytics for Managers\*(ISGB7975)  
Multivariate Statistics\* (PSGE7213)  
Marketing Analytics\*(MKGB8701)  
Data Driven Marketing Decision-Making\*(MK7799)  
Risk Management\* (QF 8935)  
Financial Modeling\*(FN749X)  
Credit Risk Management\*(QF8935)  
Simulation Applications\*(QF8925)  
Financial Econometrics\*(ECON6950)  
Macroeconomics\*(ECON6020)  
Data Mining\*(CISC6930) **OR** Algorithms and Data Analysis\*(CISC 6950)  
Computer Programming C++\*(CISC5300) **OR** Financial Programming\*(CICS 5350)  
Nonparametric Statistics\*(PSYC7820)  
Categorical Data Analysis\*(PSYC7835)

Internship in Statistics

(\*) indicates course already exist

## **EMPLOYMENT CLUSTERS**

### **FINANCE**

Time Series and Forecasting Models\* (DGGB 7850)  
Risk Management\* (QF 8935)  
Credit Risk Management\*(QF8935)  
Simulation Applications\*(QF8925)  
Financial Modeling\*(FN749X)  
Business Analytics for Managers\*(ISGB7975)  
Financial Econometrics\*(ECON6950)  
Multivariate Statistics\* (PSGE7213)  
Statistical Methods and Computation II  
Bayesian Statistics  
Stochastic Processes

### **INDUSTRIAL**

Design of experiments\* (PSGE7210) **OR** Experimental Design\*(PSYC7965)  
Statistical Process Control\* (MGGB7605)  
Time Series and Forecasting Models\* (DGGB 7850)  
Enumerative Statistics  
Sampling Theory  
Bayesian Statistics

Multivariate Statistics\* (PSGE7213)  
Data Mining\*(CISC6930) **OR** Algorithms and Data Analysis\*(CISC 6950)  
Nonparametric Statistics\*(PSYC7820)  
Categorical Data Analysis\*(PSCY7835)

### **MARKETING**

Design of experiments\* (PSGE7210)  
Time Series and Forecasting Models\* (DGGB 7850)  
Sampling Theory  
Bayesian Statistics  
Data Mining for Business\* (ISGB new)  
Multivariate Statistics\* (PSGE7213)  
Marketing Analytics\* (MKGB8701)  
Data Driven Marketing Decision-Making\*(MK7799)  
Nonparametric Statistics\*(PSYC7820)  
Categorical Data Analysis\*(PSCY7835)

### **GOVERNMENT/POLICY**

Time Series and Forecasting Models\* (DGGB 7850)  
Bayesian Statistics  
Qualitative Decision Making  
Quantitative Methods in Decision Making\* (PSGE6215)  
Data Mining for Business\* (ISGB new)  
Business Analytics for Managers\*(ISGB7975)  
Qualitative Decision Making  
Quantitative Methods in Decision Making\* (PSGE6215)  
Financial Econometrics\*(ECON6950)  
Macroeconomics\*(ECON6020)

### **Ph.D. PROGRAM**

Statistical Methods and Computation II  
Stochastic Processes  
Multivariate Statistics\* (PSGE7213)  
Design of experiments\* (PSGE7210) **OR** Experimental Design\*(PSYC7965)  
Time Series and Forecasting Models\* (DGGB 7850)  
Bayesian Statistics  
Nonparametric Statistics\*(PSYC7820)  
Computer Programming C++\*(CISC5300) **OR** Financial Programming\*(CICS 5350)

