

## 620-374 Sampling and Forecasting

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50
<b>Level:</b>	3 (Undergraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2009, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, - Taught on campus. Lectures and practice classes.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 36 one-hour lectures (three per week) and up to 12 one-hour practice classes (1 per week) Total Time Commitment: 120 hours total time commitment.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	<i>Statistics.</i>
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	None
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study and reasonable steps will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact upon their active and safe participation in a subject are encouraged to discuss this with the relevant subject coordinator and the Disability Liaison Unit.
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Dr Owen Dafydd Jones
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	<p>This subject covers a range of important and generally applicable statistical methods. Students should develop the ability to employ these methods to implement a range of practically useful statistical analyses. The following three topics will be covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># sample surveys: simple random sampling; stratified sampling - optimal allocation, post-stratification; cluster sampling; ratio estimation;</li> <li># time series and forecasting: patterns in time series; simple methods for exploratory data analysis; smoothing techniques; decomposition, trends and seasonal variation; simple forecasting methods; models for time series: stationarity, autocorrelation, ARMA processes; estimation and model fitting; and</li> <li># re-sampling methods: jack-knife and the bootstrap; and use of the bootstrap for exploring the sampling distribution of an estimator.</li> </ul>
<b>Objectives:</b>	.
<b>Assessment:</b>	Up to 50 pages of written assignments during the semester (20%); a 3-hour written examination in the examination period (80%).
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	None
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	<p>This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># <b>Bachelor of Arts</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/D09">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/D09</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Commerce</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/F04">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/F04</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Environments</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/A04">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/A04</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Music</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/M05">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2009/M05</a>)</li> </ul> <p>You should visit <b>learn more about breadth subjects</b> (<a href="http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html">http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html</a>) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p>

<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>
<b>Notes:</b>	This subject is available for science credit to students enrolled in the BSc (pre-2008 degree only), BAsC or a combined BSc course.
<b>Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:</b>	Mathematics and Statistics (Financial Mathematics specialisation) Mathematics and Statistics (Statistics specialisation)