

## Who am I?

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- CM214
- This talk:

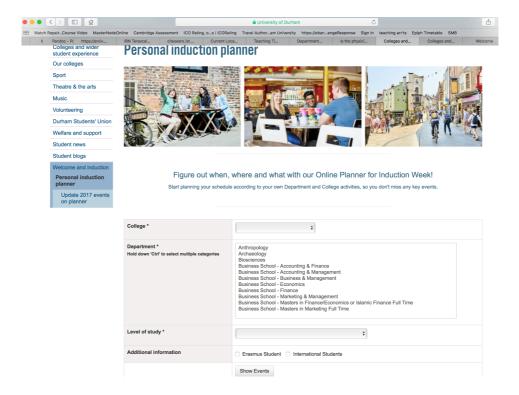
https://www.maths.dur.ac.uk/~dma0saa/DoE/induction-october-1h-welcome/welcome-1h-maths.html

(Go to <a href="https://www.maths.dur.ac.uk/~dma0saa">https://www.maths.dur.ac.uk/~dma0saa</a> and look for the links)



## **Induction week**

- Monday 4pm-5pm Welcome Talk
- Tuesday 9:30am-11:30am Meet with Advisors
- Friday 9.30am(!)-12noon Induction Session (TLC042)
- Full list of activities: https://www.dur.ac.uk/experience/welcome/planner/



# **Diagnostic test and BUYS**

- Support: <a href="https://www.maths.dur.ac.uk/BUYS/">https://www.maths.dur.ac.uk/BUYS/</a>
- Please sign up if you have not already
- Take the diagnostic test as soon as possible if you have not already, ideally by the end of this week
  - 60%-80% OK but consider BUYS support classes on things you do badly on
  - 40%-60% Strongly consider BUYS
  - <40% try again and go to BUYS</p>

## **After induction**

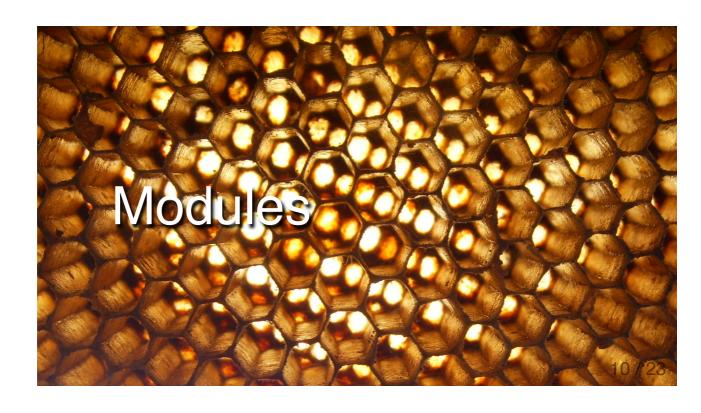
- Week 1
  - Lectures start Mon Oct 7th (9am!) including Programming Practical Classes (Prof.Peter Craig, Dr.Sam Fearn)
- Week 2
  - Tutorials begin on Oct 14th. For core modules the tutor will contact you about how to hand in homework.
  - BUYS/Support Classes start Mon. 12, Tue. 3pm. (more info Dr. Sophy Darwin)

## **After induction**

- We are introducing e-Assessments (Bear with us)
- Why?
  - More immediate feedback on "practical" skills
  - Frees up time to work on developing mathematical thinking
- How?
  - $\circ\,$  ~ every other week's set homework in LA and Calculus
  - Deadlines usually Sunday Midnights

## **After induction**

• Tutorials, e-Assessments & homeworks are compulsory!

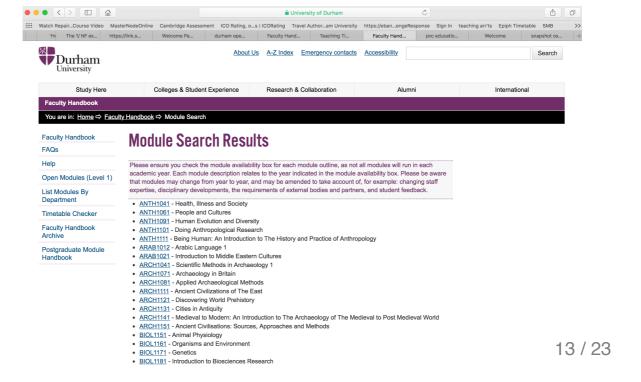


# First year maths

- Foundation for future years so hugely important!
- 5 compulsory modules:
  - Calc, Lin Alg, Analysis, Prob and Stats, Prog + Dyn
- 1 extra module:
  - o Discrete, or any other "open" module of your choice

## **Extra modules**

- Can be from any department
- It must be open
  - https://www.dur.ac.uk/faculty.handbook/level.one/
- It must avoid timetable clashes
  - http://www.maths.dur.ac.uk/users/maths.teaching/tt/module\_che
- You must meet prerequisites for the module





#### **Timetable Compatibility Utility**

Created by Peter Craig and Sharry Borgan of the Department of Mathematical Sciences with contributions from Brian Rogers and Helen Griffiths

Maintained by Peter Craig and Beverley Forster.

Suggestions for improvements or ideas for new administrative tools welcomed.

 ${\bf Click\ on\ the\ Help\ button\ below\ for\ notes\ on\ using\ this\ utility\ and\ interpretation\ of\ the\ results.}$ 

Department:	ANTH V		
Module:	1081 - IntroToAnthTheories&Methods	~	Add module
Help			

Click on the Subject (e.g. MATH) and Module Number (e.g. 1061), if hyperlinked, for further information. Full Timetable | Michaelmas Timetable | Epiphany Timetable | Easter Timetable

Day and Time					Teaching \
	MATH	MATH	<u>MATH</u>	<u>MATH</u>	with Clas
	1041	1051   1061   Analysis I   Calculus and Probability I	1071 Linear Algebra I		
	Programming and Dynamics I				
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Mon 10.00				X	
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Mon 12.00			TTa	TTa	
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Mon 2.00	X			TTa	1 7 20

# Extra modules - registration

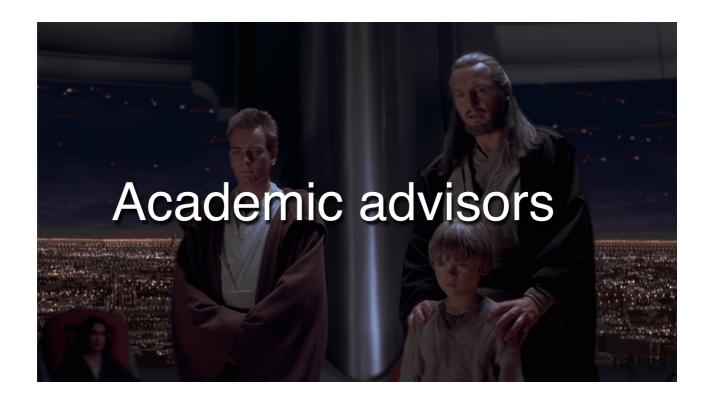
- Module registration is a two stage process
  - 1. Select modules on DUO using "Banner Self-Service"
  - 2. Modules then subject to approval (or not) by department
- Some departments require you to talk to a member of staff beforehand!
  - For physics: tomorrow morning! see <a href="https://www.dur.ac.uk/physics/freshers/induction/">https://www.dur.ac.uk/physics/freshers/induction/</a>

# Extra modules - in Maths ...

- Discrete: group work, report, presentation
- Automatically approved

# **European/Year Abroad Degrees** G101/G109 (by transfer)

- You need to ensure that you meet language requirements - normally you need to take an appropriate language module in Year 1
- Erasmus Coordinator Prof. Wilhelm Klingenberg (CM332)



### **Academic advisors**

- Who is your departmental advisor?
  - Academic staff member
  - Same throughout your career here
- · Compulsory meetings at least once a term
  - General academic advice
  - Help with module choices
  - o First point of contact in dept for problems
  - o Reference letters, departmental award
- First meeting with your advisor tomorrow morning!
  - If you cannot make an advisor meeting: email them to make an alternative arrangement

# **Summary of People:**

- Head of Department Prof. John Parker
- 1H course director Prof. Dirk Schuetz CM315
- BUYS Dr. Sophy Darwin CM223
- Support e-material (Test/workbook) Prof. Camila Caiado, Dr. Andy Iskauskas
- Teaching admins: Beverly Forster/Fiona Giblin CM201 (glass doors at end of corridor)

# **Summary of People:**

- First year lecturers (Profs./Drs.) ...
  - o Calculus: Paul Sutcliffe, Peter Bowcock
  - o Lin Alg: Stephen Harrap, Daniele Dorigoni
  - o Analysis: Dirk Schuetz, Norbert Peyerimhoff
  - ∘ P+S:
    - Prob (term I): Andrew Wade
    - Stats (term II): Matthias Troffaes
  - ∘ P+D:
    - Prog (term I): Peter Craig + Sam Fearn
    - Dynamics (term II): Richard Ward

# General pastoral advice:

- If things don't go well:
  - Talk to College advisors
  - Seek help at the SU
  - Seek help (e.g. counselling service) early!!
- Be sensible about your
  - Sleep (enough?)
  - Alcohol (too much?)
  - o Diet (very different?)

