

Applied Quantitative Methods Stream

Department of Government

What is the Applied Quantitative Methods Stream?

The Applied Quantitative Methods stream is a way of formally recording that your degree contains a significant amount of quantitative methods.

To follow this pathway you take designated Quantitative Social Science modules. The successful completion of the specified modules will entitle you to receive the qualifier '(Applied Quantitative Methods)' at the end of your degree title, for example BA International Relations (Applied Quantitative Methods) and this will appear on your transcript and degree certificate.

The Board of Examiners will confirm whether you have passed the appropriate modules in order to display (Applied Quantitative Methods) at the end of your degree title. In order to be eligible, you must successfully complete the following modules:

Stage Two

GV207-5-AU (15 credits) – 'Political Analysis: Introduction to Ols'
(compulsory with 70% pass mark in order to meet the prerequisite for GV300)

And at least one of the following:

GV205-5-SP (15 credits) – 'Measuring Public Opinion'
GV217-5-SP (15 credits) – 'Conflict Analysis'
GV261-5-AU (15 credits) – 'American Political System'
SC208-5-SP (15 credits) – 'Stratification across the life course: inequalities from cradle to grave'

Stage Three

GV300-6-FY (30 credits) – 'Quantitative Political Analysis' (compulsory)
GV831-6-FY (30 credits) – Quantitative Dissertation (compulsory and with sufficient quantitative methods as agreed by your Academic Supervisor)

[Note: GV831-6-FY can be substituted with either of the other final year project modules GV832-6-FY or GV836-6-FY]

And at least one of the following:

GV508-6-SP (15 credits) – 'The Analysis of Conflict and Peace'
GV307-6-FY (30 credits) – 'Political Economy'
GV384-6-AU (15 credits) – 'Democracy, Dictatorship and Regime Change'
(currently retired) GV306-6-AU (15 credits) – 'Future Global Trends: Forecasting Scenarios'

What will happen if I do not successfully complete the modules?

In the unlikely event that you do not successfully complete the quantitative methods modules, you will not be eligible to receive the qualifier; however, you will be able to graduate under your standard degree title provided that you have satisfied the requirements of the course in line with the [Rules of Assessment](#).

What do I need to do now?

You need to contact Martin Steinwand (martin.steinwand@essex.ac.uk) in the Department of Government to let him know of your intention to follow the AQM qualifier pathway. They will be able to answer any questions and advise you of the next steps.

When you choose your modules via [eNROL](#) ensure you adhere to the pathway above and choose the required modules. In some instances it may be that the structure of your course prohibits you from choosing the necessary modules required for AQM. In this instance you will need to apply for a Special Syllabus by completing a special syllabus form which can be found at <https://www.essex.ac.uk/esf>.

In the box which asks you to provide your reasons for requesting the Special Syllabus, please state: [I am undertaking the Applied Quantitative Methods stream in the Department of Government and am required to undertake specific modules for this. Please contact Rob Johns/Ismene Gizelis for further information.]

The Final Board of Examiners will confirm whether you have completed the necessary modules to be eligible to receive (Applied Quantitative Methods) at the end of your degree title.