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School Meeting Education Update

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Who am I/Who are we?

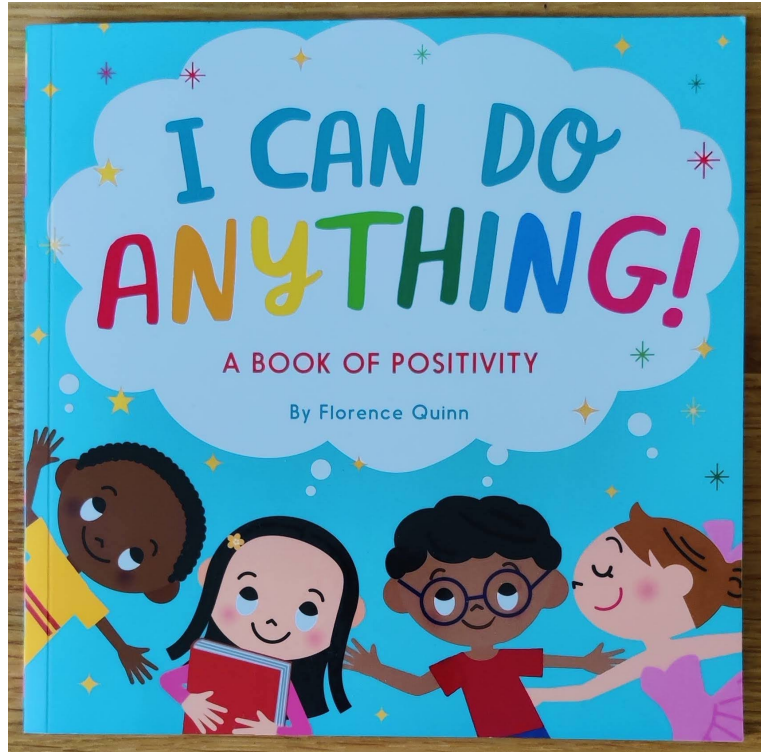
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Director of Student Experience

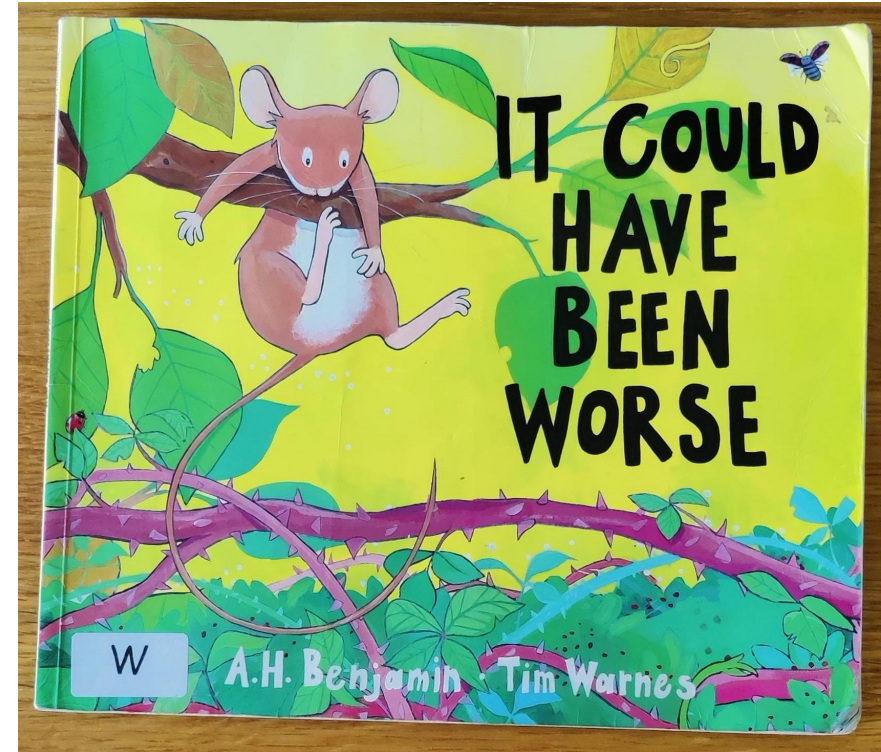
Dr Shabnam Beheshti
Dr Sebastian del Bano Rollin
Dr Felix Fischer, Dr Huy The Nguyen
Dr Dudley Stark, Dr Kathrin Glau
Mr Chris Sutton, Prof Oliver Jenkinson
Dr Weini Huang



Year 1 as DoE



Semester A, Sep 2021



Semester A, Sep 2022

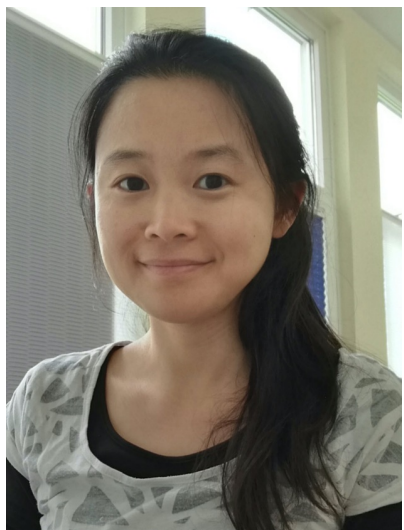
Allocation

- **TEACHING ALLOCATION** - Newest version of teaching allocation does not include Sem B/C adjustments.
- **ADVISING ALLOCATION** – Please keep an eye out for communications regarding your Advisee list, and details for your Advisor meetings in Weeks 1/2 and Weeks 8/9 each semester.

Student Experience, Year Tutors

Director of Student Experience
Y0/Foundation Tutor
Y1 Tutor
Y2 Tutor
Y3/Finalists Tutor

Dr Weini Huang
Prof Oliver Jenkinson
Dr Shu Sasaki
Dr Lei Fang
Dr Hugo Maruri-Aguilar



Operations

Lectures

- Y1 – 4 contact hours comprised of 3hr Lectures + 1hr (small group) Tutorials/IT Labs
- Y2/Y3 – 4 contact hours comprised of two 2hr Lectures or 2+1 hrs Lecture + 1 Seminar/IT Lab
- Y4/MSc – 3 contact hours comprised of 2 Lectures +1 Seminar/IT Lab hours

Notes on MME

- Please see my email from earlier this week. We will use MME with Zoom, but not fuss around with tech to make things “equal”; students are expected to be on campus.
- Y1 Tutorials are not MME (online-only tutorials to catch those who aren’t here yet). Some Y2/Y3/PGT modules have exceptional structures, double taught seminars/IT Labs, etc.
- Please visit your teaching room to try out the equipment and your links in advance of your first session, and raise an IT ticket/get in touch with maths-qmplus@qmul.ac.uk for support.

Who we are **not**

Professor: "Discuss your thoughts in your breakout groups"

The breakout groups:



No. Just no.



Operations

Tutorials/Seminars

- Y1 – Weekly tutorials will commence in Week 2 =“Timetable Week 9” = week of Oct 3rd
- Y2/Y3 – Weekly seminar hour/IT Lab, starting in Weeks 1 or 2
In 2+2hr modules, you choose where the seminar hour goes
In 2+1+1 modules, split seminar is labelled in timetable

If you need further support in your seminar/IT Lab, etc. please get in touch with me
(ASAP for Sem A, in the next 7-10 days for Sem B)

Please try to be as interactive as possible! Student feedback indicates they appreciate when the lecturer breaks up the time in large-group sessions to do some kind of active learning, and when we are very clear in their tasks at weekly/bi-weekly level, (e.g., “Do reading X, Week N, watch A before Tues Lecture Week N, by the end of week N, you should know how to ...” etc.)

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Basics Checklist

- Days/times and locations of your module (physical space + Zoom links)
- Weekly responsibilities of student (videos, independent reading, assignments, etc.)
- Where questions should be directed (forum vs. email)
- Office Hours (min 1 hr/week)

Checklist as term progresses

- Recordings
- Lecture notes, Readings/Library resources
- Exercises + due dates, Solutions (if relevant), Feedback
- Exam resources
- Extras (as appropriate)

For both Sem A and Sem B modules, please make sure you have basics posted and that your page is unhidden by Week 1.

Assessments

In-Term

- Most modules levels 4-6 (Y1-Y3) have 20% coursework/midterm + 80% final exam
- IFoA-accredited modules have special assessment pattern (usually 30%+70%)

Bonus if you can coordinate due dates for bigger modules in the year (especially Y3)

Final Examinations

- UG/PGT have timed exams (2hr UG, 3 hr PGT).
- Checked exams will be due middle of Week 7; detailed instructions from SEB Chairs to follow. Please note that every module needs at least 50% assessments to go to external examiners.

We have Dean's approval for the level 4, 5, and 7 on-campus, invigilated exams we requested, but are resubmitting a case for level 6.

Beyond Mechanics...

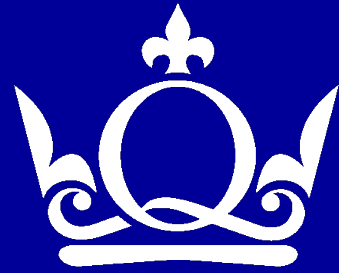
A lot has been going on in the background!

- Curriculum Review underway, with an all-School update later this semester.
- S&E Enhanced Programme Review to commence in December
- Coursera update
- Week 7 is not Reading Week. Just kidding. It is. But it isn't. (Don't shoot the messenger!)

...and Finally

There continue to be online talks around teaching of mathematics, statistics, and data science online, which may still be of interest: <http://talmo.uk/index.html>

I am here to help and support both you and our students in having a really good year. Please feel free to get in touch with me anytime!



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Questions?

Thank you for listening