

Midwestern Actuarial Forum Exam Review Seminars

Fall 2009 – Registration Form

CAS Exams 3L and 3F, Joint Exams MLC and MFE, and CAS Exam 9

The Midwestern Actuarial Forum is pleased to offer seminars for the benefit of students sitting for CAS/SOA Examination Parts 3L/3F/MFE/MLC in the Fall of 2009. The MAF is dedicated to providing high quality seminars with specific attention to the needs of the individual student. All of our instructors are experienced in the art of exam seminars and have fine-tuned their materials and presentation to reflect the updated 2009 syllabus.

The seminars will be held at the Northbrook campus of the Allstate Insurance Company (2775 Sanders Road, Northbrook, IL 60062), conveniently located near Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

Check Box	Part	Seminar Dates	Fees SOA EXAM	Fees CAS EXAM	Registration Deadline	Max. Class Size	Instructors
	Joint Exam 3F/MFE Financial Economics	Sep 1 – Sep 3 (noon)	\$450	\$450	Aug. 14	45	Howard Mahler
	CAS 3L Mahler portion only	Sep 3 (1pm) – Sep 4		\$270	Aug. 14	45	Howard Mahler
	CAS 3L Batten portion only	Sep 5 – Sep 7		\$435	Aug. 14	45	Bob Batten
	MLC Batten portion only	Sep 5 – Sep 10 (noon)	\$795		Aug. 14	45	Bob Batten
	MLC Total	Sep 4 (1pm) – Sep 10 (noon)	\$890		Aug. 14	45	Bob Batten Howard Mahler
	CAS 3L Total	Sep 3 (1pm) – Sep 7		\$650	Aug. 14	45	Bob Batten Howard Mahler
	MFE/MLC Total	Sep 1 – Sep 3 (noon) and Sep 4 (1pm) – Sep 10 (noon)	\$1250		Aug. 14	45	Bob Batten Howard Mahler
	CAS 3F/3L Total	Sep 1 – Sep 7		\$1025	Aug. 14	45	Bob Batten Howard Mahler

	CAS Exam 9	Sep 24 – Sep 26		\$490	Sep 4	70	Ryan Michel Bob Weishaar
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Important: CAS3F/MFE seminar runs from 8am on 9/1 thru noon on 9/3
 CAS 3L: Mahler Portion seminar starts at 1pm on 9/3 thru 5pm on 9/4
 MLC: Mahler Portion seminar runs from 1pm – 5pm on 9/4
 MFE/MLC: Total seminar will run from 8am on 9/1 thru noon on 9/3 and from 1pm on 9/4 thru noon on 9/10

Name: _____

Employer's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

E-Mail (REQUIRED): _____

Method of Payment (circle one): Credit Card / Check

This completed registration form should be sent to Rick Gorvett, via one of the following methods (mailing is necessary if a check is being included):

E-mail to: gorvett@illinois.edu
(The completed form can be scanned and attached, or the relevant registration information can be copied into the body of the message.)

Fax to: (217) 333-9576
(Make it clear on the cover sheet that “Rick Gorvett” is the intended recipient.)

Mail to: Rick Gorvett
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If you are paying by check please make payment to “Midwestern Actuarial Forum”. All payments must be made in U.S. dollars and drawn from a U.S. bank. If you wish to pay by credit card, you will receive an e-mail message which will provide you with further payment instructions. (Please note that we cannot hold a space for you until we receive your payment.) If you have any questions, please contact Rick Gorvett at gorvett@illinois.edu (preferably) or at (217) 244-1739.

MAF Refund Policy: Full refund of the seminar fee, except for a \$50 administrative fee and the cost of any seminar materials already sent, is available by contacting Rick Gorvett prior to the seminar date.

CAS Exam 3L, Joint Exam 3F/MFE and SOA Exam MLC Seminar

Instructors: Bob Batten, FSA – 3L/MLC
Howard Mahler, FCAS – 3L/3F/MFE/MLC

Dates: September 1 – September 10, 2009
Times: (CAS 3F/MFE) 8:00AM September 1 – 12:00 PM September 3
(CAS 3L) 1:00 PM September 3 – 5:00 PM September 7
(MLC) 1:00 PM September 4 – 12:00 PM September 10

Location: Allstate Insurance Company, Northbrook, IL

Seminar Overview – Contingent Payment Models:

Robert Batten will lead the life contingencies sessions in the traditional manner, i.e., with detailed lectures, numerous examples, and a significant amount of problem solving. While there will be treatment of the underlying theory in some instances, the primary goal will be the presentation of the material in a way that maximizes student understanding and comfort level with life contingencies. The approach should represent a major component of a candidate's overall exam preparation for the spring.

From September 5 through September 7, Mr. Batten will cover all of the life contingencies material that is common to both the SOA and CAS examinations. The final two-and-one-half days will be devoted to the more advanced sections of the syllabus that are to be tested only by the SOA.

Seminar Overview – 3L/3F/MFE/MLC – Remainder of Syllabus:

Howard Mahler will lead this session, covering Financial Economics, Stochastic Models, and Statistics (CAS).

- Financial Economics (Joint Exam 3F/MFE): 8 AM September 1 to 12 PM September 3.
- Statistics (CAS 3L only): 1 PM September 3 to 12 PM September 4.
- Stochastic Models (CAS 3L and SOA MLC): 1 PM September 4 to 5 PM September 4.

All of the material will be covered thoroughly, with an emphasis on material that is most likely to be asked on the exam. Theory will be illustrated throughout with numerous numerical examples, practice problems, and past exam questions. Ample time will be available for student/instructor interaction. Mahler's Study Guides will be mailed in advance to all participants.

There are three "Mahler's Guides" for this seminar:

- "Mahler's Guide to Stochastic Models" (CAS 3L and SOA Exam MLC)
- "Mahler's Guide to Statistics" (CAS 3L only)
- "Mahler's Guide to Financial Economics" (Joint Exam 3F/MFE.)

Mahler's Guides for CAS Exam 3 total about 1600 pages of material. Included are about 1800 practice problems 700 past exam questions with complete solutions. Theory is illustrated throughout with numerous numerical examples.

Instructor Background:

Bob Batten is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and was Professor of Actuarial Science at Georgia State University for over 30 years and Director of its Actuarial Science Program for 25 years. Upon his retirement in 1997, Professor Batten was honored by the national and international actuarial community by having a chair endowed for over one million dollars and designated as the Robert W. Batten Chair of Actuarial Science at Georgia State University. Bob received an M.A. in mathematics from Duke University in 1964 where he was a Duke Fellow. He has conducted highly-acclaimed exam review seminars on life contingencies and other topics since 1966.

Howard Mahler is a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society and was Vice President & Actuary at the Massachusetts Workers Compensation Rating Bureau for 15 years. Howard has a BA and MA in Mathematics. He served 12 years on the CAS Exam Committee, including 3 years as Chairperson. Howard has published extensively in actuarial journals. He has authored highly acclaimed study aids for Exams 3 and 4. Howard has taught actuarial exam preparation seminars since 1994, including Courses 3 and 4 since they were initiated in the year 2000.

Seminar Calendar:**SEPTEMBER 2009****MAHLER**

9/1	9/2	9/3		9/4	
8:00-5:00	8:00-5:00	8:00-12:00	1:00-5:00	8:00-12:00	1:00-5:00
3F/MFE	3F/MFE	3F/MFE			
			CAS 3L	CAS 3L	CAS 3L
					SOA MLC

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9/5	9/6	9/7	9/8	9/9	9/10
8:00-5:00	8:00-5:00	8:00-5:00	8:00-5:00	8:00-5:00	8:00-12:00
CAS 3L	CAS 3L	CAS 3L			
SOA MLC	SOA MLC	SOA MLC	SOA MLC	SOA MLC	SOA MLC

CAS Exam 9 Seminar – Advanced Ratemaking, Rate of Return, and Individual Risk Rating

Instructors: Ryan Michel, FCAS, MAAA
Robert Weishaar, PhD., FCAS, MAAA

Dates: September 24 – September 26, 2009
Times: 8:30AM – 5:00 PM

Location: Allstate Insurance Company, Northbrook, IL

Seminar Overview:

The Exam 9 seminar will be a three day review of the CAS Part 9 exam syllabus. The primary focus will be on the entirety of the Rate of Return and Individual Risk Rating sections of the syllabus, sections most students have historically found more challenging. In addition, time will be spent on the Advanced Ratemaking topic, especially on some of the unique advanced ratemaking articles, including Catastrophe Modeling, Cummins economic treatise on risk classification, and Generalized Linear Modeling. Much of the time will be spent tying the articles together to understand how they complete the CAS learning objectives.

Seminar materials will be sent to participants via email in advance of the seminar.

Instructor Background:

Bob Weishaar is currently a consultant with Optimal Decisions Group, a LexisNexis company. In the past, he has managed a personal lines pricing research group at Nationwide. In addition to his Fellowship in the CAS, Bob has a PhD in Mathematics and Masters in Applied Statistics from The Ohio State University. He has over 10 years of industry experience and has participated on a CAS exam committee. Bob lives in Gahanna, Ohio with his wife and two daughters.

Ryan Michel is a Sr. State Manager at Allstate, responsible for product management across the Midwest Region. In the past, he has served as a Pricing Director at Allstate with responsibility for personal lines auto and property pricing for the majority of states East of the Mississippi River. In this role, he has provided testimony in a variety of regulatory settings regarding actuarial ratemaking and catastrophe exposure. Ryan graduated from Wheaton College in 1996 with a BS in Mathematics and Business/Economics. He completed his Fellowship in 2004, and has over 13 years of actuarial experience and has also participated on a CAS exam committee. He also has his MBA at the University of Chicago with concentrations in Finance and Economics. Ryan lives in Elmhurst, Illinois with his wife and five children.

SOME POSSIBLE HOTEL/TRANSPORTATION ACCOMMODATIONS

There are several options for hotel accommodations and other traveling necessities. Some of the companies, and their contact information, are shown below.

Sampling of hotels nearby:

Hilton Chicago Northbrook	0.4 mi	(847) 480-7500	http://www.hilton.com
Crowne Plaza Chicago Northbrook	0.4 mi	(847) 298-2525	http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/
Super 8 Prospect Heights/Northbrook	0.7 mi	(866) 539-8117	http://www.super8.com
Courtyard by Marriot (Glenview)	1.1 mi	(847) 803-2500	http://www.marriott.com/
Fairfield Inn by Marriott (Glenview)	1.2 mi	(847) 299-1600	http://www.marriott.com/
Baymont Inn & Suites (Glenview)	1.3 mi	(847) 635-8300	http://www.baymontinns.com/
Sheraton Chicago Northbrook	3.5 mi	(847) 480-1900	http://www.sheraton.com

(Distances shown are relative to Allstate Insurance Corp., at 2775 Sanders Road, Northbrook, IL 60062)

Please note – special Allstate / MAF rates:

- The Hilton Chicago Northbrook has a special rate of \$110 per night, which includes internet and a full breakfast buffet. They provide a complimentary shuttle to and from Allstate on a prescheduled basis.
- The Sheraton Chicago Northbrook has a special rate of \$99 per night, and has a shuttle service to and from Allstate.

Sampling of rental car companies:

Alamo Rent A Car	(877) 222-9075	http://www.alamo.com/
Avis Rent A Car	(800) 230-4898	http://www.avis.com/
Budget Rent A Car	(800) 527-0700	http://www.budget.com/
Enterprise Rent A Car	(800) 261-7331	http://www.enterprise.com
Hertz Car Rental	(800) 654-3131	http://www.hertz.com

Sample limo service:

O'Hare-Midway Limousine Service	(800) 468-0211	http://www.ohare-midway.com/
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