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**MSc Scientific Computing and Data Analysis (G5K609)**

**MSc Scientific Computing and Data Analysis (Astrophysics) (G5T309)**

**MSc Scientific Computing and Data Analysis (Particle Physics) (G5T409)**

**MSc Scientific Computing and Data Analysis (Financial Technology) (G5T209)**

**MSc Scientific Computing and Data Analysis (Earth and Environmental Sciences) (G5T109)**

1. Location: Durham City
2. Duration: 12 months (full-time)

**Programme structure**

3. All candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

|   |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Introduction to Machine Learning and Statistics ~           | <a href="#">PHYS51915</a> | 15                  |
| Introduction to Scientific and High Performance Computing ~ | <a href="#">PHYS52015</a> | 15                  |
| Professional Skills   | <a href="#">COMP51915</a> | 15                  |
| Project ~   | <a href="#">COMP52060</a> | 60                  |

**Astrophysics (G5T309)**

4. Candidates on the Astrophysics Stream shall also study and be assessed in the following modules:

|              |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Astrophysics | <a href="#">PHYS51545</a> | 45                  |

5. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from the following list:

|  |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Advanced Statistical and Machine Learning: Foundations and Unsupervised Learning | <a href="#">MATH52015</a> | 15                  |
| Advanced Statistics and Machine Learning: Regression and Classification          | <a href="#">MATH52115</a> | 15                  |
| Data Acquisition and Image Processing  | <a href="#">PHYS52115</a> | 15                  |
| Performance Engineering and Advanced Algorithms                                  | <a href="#">COMP52315</a> | 15                  |
| Continuous and Discrete Systems  | <a href="#">COMP52215</a> | 15                  |

**Particle Physics (G5T409)**

6. Candidates on the Particle Physics Stream shall also study and be assessed in the following modules:

|                  |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Particle Physics | <a href="#">PHYS51645</a> | 45                  |

7. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from the following list:

|  |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Advanced Statistical and Machine Learning: Foundations and Unsupervised Learning | <a href="#">MATH52015</a> | 15                  |
| Advanced Statistics and Machine Learning: Regression and Classification          | <a href="#">MATH52115</a> | 15                  |

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|---|---------------------------|----|
| Data Acquisition and Image Processing           | <a href="#">PHYS52115</a> | 15 |
| Performance Engineering and Advanced Algorithms | <a href="#">COMP52315</a> | 15 |
| Continuous and Discrete Systems                 | <a href="#">COMP52215</a> | 15 |

### Earth and Environmental Sciences (G5T109)

8. Candidates on the Earth and Environmental Sciences Stream shall also study and be assessed in the following modules:

|                                  |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Earth and Environmental Sciences | <a href="#">GEOL50130</a> | 30                  |

9. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 45 credits from the following list:

|  |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Advanced Statistical and Machine Learning: Foundations and Unsupervised Learning | <a href="#">MATH52015</a> | 15                  |
| Advanced Statistics and Machine Learning: Regression and Classification          | <a href="#">MATH52115</a> | 15                  |
| Data Acquisition and Image Processing  | <a href="#">PHYS52115</a> | 15                  |
| Performance Engineering and Advanced Algorithms                                  | <a href="#">COMP52315</a> | 15                  |
| Continuous and Discrete Systems  | <a href="#">COMP52215</a> | 15                  |

### Financial Technology (G5T209)

10. Candidates on the Financial Technology Stream shall also study and be assessed in the following modules:

|  |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Financial Technology: Algorithmic Trading and Market Making in Options | <a href="#">COMP52415</a> | 15                  |
| Financial Mathematics  | <a href="#">MATH52230</a> | 30                  |

11. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from the following list:

|  |                           | <b>Credit Value</b> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Advanced Statistical and Machine Learning: Foundations and Unsupervised Learning | <a href="#">MATH52015</a> | 15                  |
| Advanced Statistics and Machine Learning: Regression and Classification          | <a href="#">MATH52115</a> | 15                  |
| Data Acquisition and Image Processing  | <a href="#">PHYS52115</a> | 15                  |
| Performance Engineering and Advanced Algorithms                                  | <a href="#">COMP52315</a> | 15                  |
| Continuous and Discrete Systems  | <a href="#">COMP52215</a> | 15                  |

### Assessment, progression and award

12. Modules marked with a ~ must be passed at 50% or above; a mark of 40-49% cannot be compensated.
13. If a candidate fails a module he/she may be given the opportunity to resit the relevant examination(s) before the end of the academic year at a time to be determined by the Department.
14. There is no resit opportunity for the project (COMP52060).