

WELCOME! You are now starting your journey to actuarial exam success!

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0. Signing up for an Exam

- Visit soa.org
- Create an account: Log In -> Create an Account
- Register: Education and Exams -> Exam Registration -> Select Exam from Menu
- After confirming payment, you will receive an email from the SOA with the receipt and confirmation number (star these emails)

Note: It may take several minutes to receive an email confirmation

- Search SOA on Prometric -> Schedule
- Use Candidate ID to schedule an appointment
- We recommend CBT over Paper/Pencil

Note: SRM is discounted for students, so make sure you check that box when paying for those exams (reimbursement will only cover the student price, not the full price)

Preparing for an Exam:

1. Classes

It's recommended, but not necessary to take the corresponding course for the actuarial exam you plan to take. Here is a corresponding list for exams (% represents the amount of material covered in a given class)

Exam P - Math 425 (84% of Exam P)

Exam FM - Math 424 (87% of Exam FM)

Exam SRM - Stats 415 (77% of Exam SRM)

Exam FAM - Math 520 (42%), Math 523 (21%), and Math 524 (17%)

Exam ALTAM - Math 521 (82%)

Exam ASTAM - Math 523 (37%) and Math 524 (49%)

Exam PA - TO 414 (80%+)

2. Manual

An actuarial exam requires a lot of work to pass. After taking the class associated with the exam above, or if you're self-studying, it's time to hit the books. Below is a list of well-regarded exam manuals/websites that do a great job of getting you prepared for your exam.

1. Coaching Actuaries (we have a discount, ask Madison for the discount code)
2. ACTEX Manuals (Reach out to me if you would like to borrow a manual from the library)
3. TIA (The Infinite Actuary)
4. Other (such as the textbook on the syllabi or course material listed)

Keep in mind that much of the material is more challenging than that of your classes. Make sure to start in advance and even farther in advance if learning the material from scratch as well. Reach out to me if you need advice on a possible study schedule.

3. Exam Day

The day of battle has begun. A few pointers/tips:

- For CBT, you only need to bring your ID and a calculator (bring a spare)
- A packet of Paper and a Pen will be provided
- Everything but your ID will be locked until the end of your exam (keys, wallet, etc...)
- Be confident!

4. Post-Exam Results/Next Steps

Congratulations! You passed *insert your exam!* You should be quite proud of yourself and all your hard work has paid off. Now it's time to get your well-earned money back!

- Revisit your email to find the receipt of the payment
- Scan/Snip your receipt and unofficial confirmation of the pass
- Submit documents to the Google Survey on sam.math.lsa.umich.edu → Subsidy Policy

You should receive an email from the Math Department soon. Big ups!

*You made it this far. Now it's time to start over with your next exam, *insert your next exam!**