



Actuarial Education in the Philippines

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Very few actuarial practitioners


- Fellows: 71
- Associates: 67
- Affiliates: 172

Degrees granted by :

- 1 University for postgraduate
- 2 Universities for undergraduate

PMAM – Actuarial Science

- Actuarial Theory & Practice
- Matrices & Its Applications
- Numerical Analysis
- Loss Models & Survival Models
- Actuarial Science I and II
- Research Project
- Graduate Seminar
- Preliminary & Qualifying Examination

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- New Education syllabus
 - Transition guidelines

Associate, Actuarial Society of the Philippines

- 5 SOA preliminary examinations
- 3 VEE requirements
 - Economics
 - Applied statistics
 - Corporate Finance
- Associateship Admission Course

SOA Preliminary examinations

1. Probability
2. Financial Mathematics
3. Actuarial Models – Financial Economics
4. Actuarial Models – Life Contingencies
5. Construction and Evaluation of Actuarial Models

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- Associateship requirements
- Fundamentals of Actuarial Practice
- FSA Exam 1
- FSA Module 1 (Financial and Health Economics Module)/ CAS Online Course 1
- FSA Module 2/ CAS Online Course 2
- 2 ASP Integrated Exams
- Fellowship Admission Seminar

ASP Integrated Exam A

- Social Insurance
- Employee Benefits
 - Group Life and Medical
 - HMO
 - Pension
- Philippine Law and Taxation

ASP Integrated Exam B

- Philippine Statutory and PFRS Accounting
- Life Insurance
- Pre-Need
- Non-Life

- ASP prepared actuarial undergraduate course syllabus for universities

- August 2013
- law amended the 38-year old Insurance Code
- An act strengthening the Insurance Industry
- to better compete with foreign counterparts


- Need for improved and expanded protectionist provisions in the Insurance Code
- Increased product diversity
- More diverse distribution channels
- Sophisticated sales and clients services
- Evolving requirements of the industry

New Code

- Recognition of processes that use advances in technology
- Provision for fair protection for insurers from fraud & discriminatory mechanisms
- Redefinition of solvency regime to conform with internationally-accepted standards

- Institution of company and agent licensing processes
- Grant of 6-year term and strengthening powers of the Insurance Commissioner
- Addition of new titles and related provisions on microinsurance and bancassurance
- Financial reporting framework based on internationally-accepted accounting standards

- New Code helps the country's insurers for the integration of member-economies of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations by 2015

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- Raise capital requirements every 3 years until 2022
 - risks from rising demand for financial instruments and a growing economy

- Required net worth

2013: PhP 250M


2016: PhP 550M

2019: PhP 900M

2022: PhP 1.3B


New Code

- Institutionalizes bancassurance & microinsurance
- Allows insurance firms to invest in more financial instruments
- Use of modern, international accounting standards in reporting and auditing financial reports of insurance companies

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- Thrust to actively practice in non-life
 - Suggestion for Fellows to attend the Non-Life Basic Training

- Coordination with regulator on potential project between the commission and the ADB
 - Pre-need industry

- Public hearings at the Insurance Commission
 - Pre-need solvency
- Draft new Valuation Standards for Pre-Need

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- ASP and life insurance industry association
 - Roles in dealing with issues that arise in the industry



Thank you