

# Postgraduate Taught Induction



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# Programmes – Course Structure

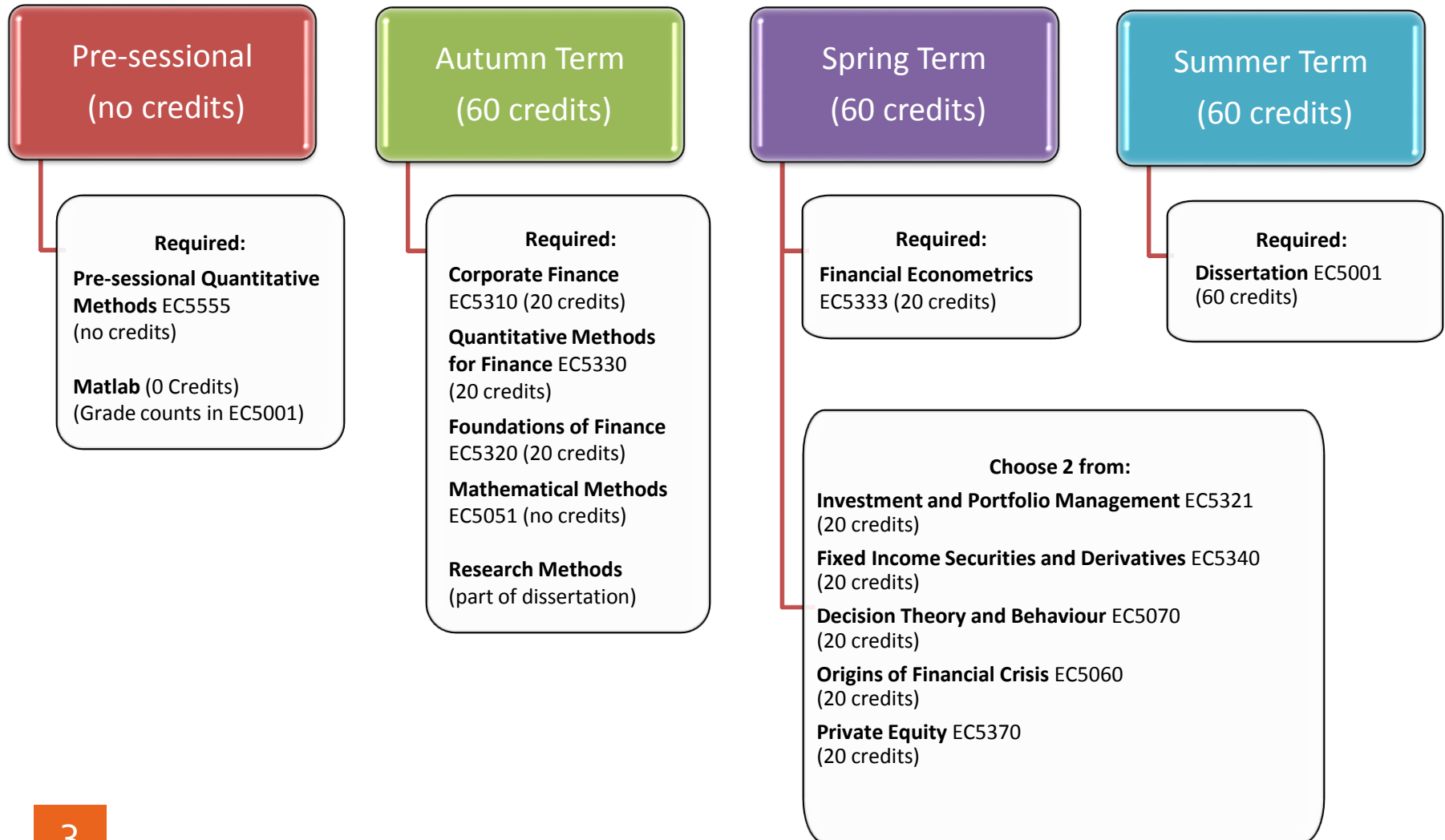
## MSc Programme

- Schedule:
  1. Pre-sessional courses: Maths and Stata (Econ), or Malab (Finance)
  2. Autumn term: Four compulsory courses plus research methods
  3. Spring term: (Econ) Three elective courses, or (Finance) Two elective and one compulsory course, plus dissertation proposal for all.
  4. Summer term: dissertation, if exam results allow (see below)
- Exams take place in May. Subject to passing exams students progress to writing dissertation (see Programme Specification for information on progression)

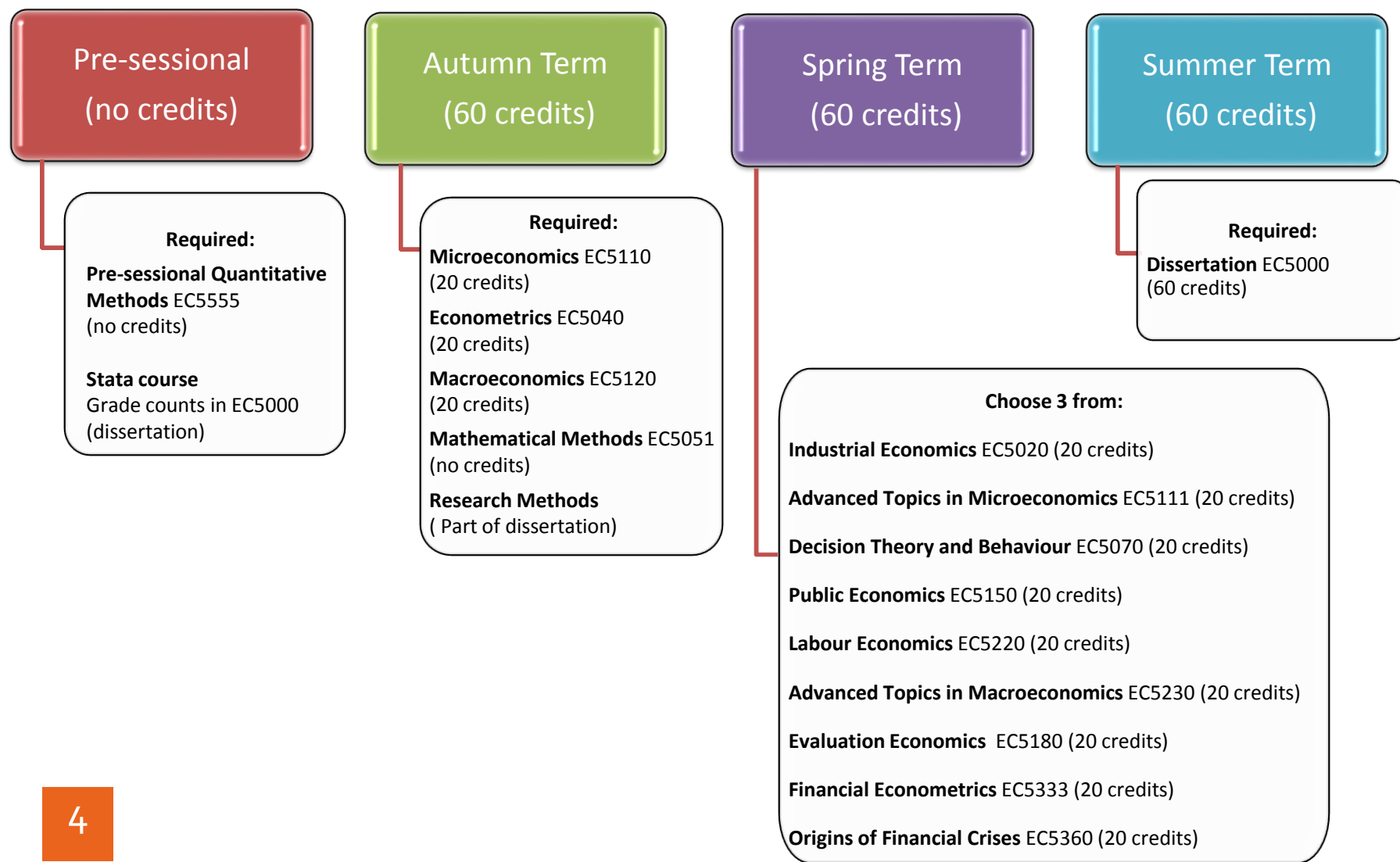
## 2 year MSc Programme

- In the first year, students take three year-long core courses (2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate). In the second year, students follow the regular MSc Economics programme

# MSc Finance – Course Structure



# MSc Economics – Course Structure



# MSc Finance/MSc Economics ,Two Year Programme

In the first year, students take three year-long core courses (2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate):

- EC<sub>4201</sub> (EC<sub>2201</sub>) Microeconomics
- EC<sub>4202</sub> (EC<sub>2202</sub>) Macroeconomics
- EC<sub>4203</sub> (EC<sub>2203</sub>) Quantitative Methods

and also:

- One year-long **OR** two term-long courses (3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate).

In the second year, students follow the regular MSc Economics or MSc Finance depending upon which they enrolled.

# Dissertation

Process during the year to prepare students for the dissertation writing phase:

- (Econ) STATA course in Week 2, (Finance) MATLAB course Weeks 4,5,6, 8 and 9
- Research Methods course in the Spring
- Students sign up for topics provided by Department
- Allocated either before Christmas for MSc in Finance, or Spring reading weeks for the other MSc's
- Students hand in preliminary report in January for MSc in Finance or in March for the other MSc's (research question, methods, planned data sources...) and discuss with supervisor
- Series of dissertation workshops to discuss proposals
- Final dissertation of 8,000 – 10,000 words submitted in September

# Assessment

- Students assessed via combination of tests/exams and coursework
- Details of in-year assessment will be published shortly on the Current Students/Course information tab of Economics Department website
- All tests held in the week after reading week in the Autumn and Spring Terms
- End of year exams are held in May

DISTINCTION – 70% +

MERIT – 60% to 69%

PASS – 50% to 59%

FAIL – 0% to 49%

*CONDONABLE FAIL – 40% to 49%*

*(Students receiving Condonable Fails or needing to resit courses are not eligible under College regulations to receive a Merit or Distinction as the overall programme result)*

# Other Information

- The Postgraduate Taught handbook is a comprehensive guide to your course, it can be found on our webpage at [current students/postgraduate taught/useful stuff](http://current.students/postgraduate/taught/usefulstuff).
- Material for most courses are posted on Moodle. Logging on to <http://moodle.rhul.ac.uk/> using your college username and password gives you access to the courses for which you are registered.
- Computer facilities are available across Campus, including access to Bloomberg terminals in the Moore Building.
- MSc and 2 year MSc students in this Department have a study space in Horton 307.

