

# MA4J3-15 Graph Theory

**21/22**

**Department**

Warwick Mathematics Institute

**Level**

Undergraduate Level 4

**Module leader**

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**Credit value**

15

**Module duration**

10 weeks

**Assessment**

Multiple

**Study location**

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

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## Description

### Introductory description

Graph theory is a rapidly developing branch of mathematics that finds applications in other areas of mathematics as well as in other fields such as computer science, bioinformatics, statistical physics, chemistry, sociology, etc. In this module we will focus on results from structural graph theory.

[Module web page](#)

### Module aims

To introduce students to the advanced topics of graph theory such as extremal and structural graph theory.

### Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

The module will include a brief introduction to the basic concepts of graph theory and it will then be structured around the following topics:

Structural graph theory:

- Graph decompositions
- Graph parameters

Extremal graph theory:

- Ramsey's Theorem with variations
- Properties of almost all graphs

Partial orders on graphs:

- Minor-closed, monotone and hereditary properties
- Well-quasi-ordering and infinite antichains

## Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- To state basic results covered by the module.
- To understand main ideas of the underlying mathematics.
- To distinguish between various partial orders on graphs and various graph properties.
- To manipulate with basic graph decomposition techniques.

## Indicative reading list

Bollobás, Béla (2004), *Extremal Graph Theory*, New York: Dover Publications, ISBN 978-0-48643596-1

Diestel, Reinhard (2005), *Graph Theory* (3rd ed.), Berlin, New York: Springer-Verlag, ISBN 978-3540-26183-4  
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[View reading list on Talis Aspire](#)

## Subject specific skills

See learning outcomes

## Transferable skills

Students will acquire key reasoning and problem solving skills which will empower them to address new problems with confidence.

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## Study

## Study time

Type	Required
Lectures	10 sessions of 3 hours (20%)
Tutorials	9 sessions of 1 hour (6%)
Private study	111 hours (74%)
Total	150 hours

## Private study description

Review lectured material and work on set exercises.

## Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

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## Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Students can register for this module without taking any assessment.

### Assessment group B1

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
In-person Examination	100%		No

- Answerbook Gold (24 page)

### Assessment group R

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
In-person Examination - Resit	100%		No

- Answerbook Gold (24 page)

## Feedback on assessment

Marked coursework and exam feedback.

[Past exam papers for MA4J3](#)

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# Availability

## Courses

This module is Optional for:

- TMAA-G1PE Master of Advanced Study in Mathematical Sciences
  - Year 1 of G1PE Master of Advanced Study in Mathematical Sciences
  - Year 1 of G1PE Master of Advanced Study in Mathematical Sciences
- Year 1 of TMAA-G1PD Postgraduate Taught Interdisciplinary Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
- Year 1 of TMAA-G1P0 Postgraduate Taught Mathematics
- Year 1 of TMAA-G1PC Postgraduate Taught Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
- USTA-G300 Undergraduate Master of Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics
  - Year 3 of G300 Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics
  - Year 4 of G300 Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics

This module is Option list A for:

- TMAA-G1PD Postgraduate Taught Interdisciplinary Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
  - Year 1 of G1PD Interdisciplinary Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
  - Year 2 of G1PD Interdisciplinary Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
- Year 1 of TMAA-G1P0 Postgraduate Taught Mathematics
- Year 4 of UCSA-G4G3 Undergraduate Discrete Mathematics
- Year 4 of USTA-G1G3 Undergraduate Mathematics and Statistics (BSc MMathStat)
- Year 5 of USTA-G1G4 Undergraduate Mathematics and Statistics (BSc MMathStat) (with Intercalated Year)

This module is Option list B for:

- TMAA-G1PD Postgraduate Taught Interdisciplinary Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
  - Year 1 of G1PD Interdisciplinary Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
  - Year 2 of G1PD Interdisciplinary Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
- TMAA-G1PC Postgraduate Taught Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
  - Year 1 of G1PC Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
  - Year 2 of G1PC Mathematics (Diploma plus MSc)
- Year 4 of UCSA-G4G3 Undergraduate Discrete Mathematics
- Year 3 of USTA-G1G3 Undergraduate Mathematics and Statistics (BSc MMathStat)
- Year 4 of USTA-G1G4 Undergraduate Mathematics and Statistics (BSc MMathStat) (with Intercalated Year)

This module is Option list C for:

- UMAA-G105 Undergraduate Master of Mathematics (with Intercalated Year)
  - Year 3 of G105 Mathematics (MMath) with Intercalated Year
  - Year 5 of G105 Mathematics (MMath) with Intercalated Year

- UMAA-G103 Undergraduate Mathematics (MMath)
  - Year 3 of G103 Mathematics (MMath)
  - Year 4 of G103 Mathematics (MMath)
- UMAA-G106 Undergraduate Mathematics (MMath) with Study in Europe
  - Year 3 of G106 Mathematics (MMath) with Study in Europe
  - Year 4 of G106 Mathematics (MMath) with Study in Europe

This module is Option list E for:

- Year 4 of USTA-G300 Undergraduate Master of Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics
- Year 5 of USTA-G301 Undergraduate Master of Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics (with Intercalated