

## Student Learning Development (SLD) MVLS and Science & Engineering Semester 2 2024-25 Class Timetable

These live classes are specifically designed for students in the College of MVLS or the College of Science & Engineering at the University of Glasgow.

We also have a further range of classes available as online recordings, available at any time. These are available via the Moodle links at the bottom of this page.

Class slides and other resources are available for all class series via the relevant course Moodle site and, where possible, recordings of the live face-to-face classes will also be made available via Moodle shortly after each class.

*\*Please double-check the timetables available at [www.gla.ac.uk/SLD](http://www.gla.ac.uk/SLD) before attending classes, as buildings and rooms may be subject to change.*

| Week beginning | Date                      | Time        | Series/<br>Class Type                                      | Class                                   | Class Description   | Building Name (in-person<br>class)/<br>Zoom Link (online class) | Room # (in-person)/<br>Zoom ID (online) |
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| 20th January   | Tuesday 21st<br>January   | 15:00-16:00 | Science Dissertation Writing                               | Your Dissertation from Beginning to End | This class examines what the whole dissertation process looks like, from choosing a title to handing in your finished product.  | 42 Bute Gardens   | 916                                     |
|                |                           | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | An Introduction to Doing a Dissertation | This class introduces students to key features and requirements of dissertations as well as their benefits.   | Kelvin Hall   | G59 LT                                  |
|                | Wednesday 22nd<br>January | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Introduction to R - Part 1              | This series is for any student who will be working with data as part of their assignments, project, or dissertation. It will cover some fundamental concepts in statistics as well as how to use R Studio, a widely used statistical environment, to perform and present analyses. This first session introduces some of the basic functionality of R Studio. Bring your laptop with you to follow along! | Wolfson Medical Building  | 257                                     |
|                |                           | 15:00-17:00 | Maths Drop-ins   |   | Open to any student with any maths question (other than Honours level mathematics courses). Just turn up with the problem you're working on and your relevant course notes.   | James McCune Smith Learning Hub                                 | 430                                     |
|                |                           | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | Writing a Research Proposal             | This class looks at the purpose, structure and key content of research proposals, which are often required before beginning a dissertation or other extensive research project.   | McIntyre Building   | 201 Flat Hall                           |
| 27th January   | Tuesday 28th<br>January   | 10:00-11:00 | Graduate Numeracy: Essentials                              | Percentages                             | Applying for jobs? These classes will cover the essential numerical skills required by many employers (no matter what your subject background is). This session focusses on percentages and is specifically targeted at students who lack confidence with basic calculations.   | Gilbert Scott Building  | 253                                     |
|                |                           | 15:00-16:00 | Science Dissertation Writing                               | Writing a Literature Review             | This class will explore the process of finding and critically analysing journal articles, as well as how to incorporate academic literature into your writing.  | 42 Bute Gardens   | 916                                     |
|                |                           | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | Identifying your Research Gap           | This class explores the types of research gap and how to identify the gap for your dissertation.  | Kelvin Hall   | G59 LT                                  |
|                | Wednesday 29th<br>January | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Introduction to R - Part 2              | In the second session of this series, we will become more comfortable with R Studio and use it to create impactful graphs and predictive models.  | Wolfson Medical Building  | 257                                     |
|                |                           | 15:00-17:00 | Maths Drop-ins   |   | Open to any student with any maths question (other than Honours level mathematics courses). Just turn up with the problem you're working on and your relevant course notes.   | James McCune Smith Learning Hub                                 | 430                                     |
|                |                           | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | Developing your Research Methods        | This class discusses how to select the most appropriate methodology for your dissertation.  | McIntyre Building   | 201 Flat Hall                           |
| 3rd February   | Tuesday 4th<br>February   | 10:00-11:00 | Graduate Numeracy: Essentials                              | Graphical Data                          | Applying for jobs? These classes will cover the essential numerical skills required by many employers (no matter what your subject background is). This session will focus on percentage calculations involving graphical data and is specifically targeted at students who lack confidence with basic calculations.  | Gilbert Scott Building  | 253                                     |
|                |                           | 15:00-16:00 | Science Dissertation Writing                               | Developing a Methodology                | We outline things to consider when designing your research methods and discuss how to write your methods chapter.   | 42 Bute Gardens   | 916                                     |
|                |                           | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | The Supervision Process                 | This class outlines core aspects of working with a dissertation supervisor, looking at expectations on the students and supervisors, and how to make the most of these relationships.   | Kelvin Hall   | G59 LT                                  |
|                | Wednesday 5th<br>February | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Descriptive Statistics                  | The third session in this series looks at what information we can draw immediately from our data, while still painting a more complete picture than a simple average. We will cover measures of central tendencies, dispersion, and position.   | Wolfson Medical Building  | 257                                     |
|                |                           | 15:00-17:00 | Maths Drop-ins   |   | Open to any student with any maths question (other than Honours level mathematics courses). Just turn up with the problem you're working on and your relevant course notes.   | James McCune Smith Learning Hub                                 | 430                                     |
|                |                           | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | Starting the Literature Review          | This class looks at how to start searching for literature on your research topic, the key features of literature reviews, and ways to find the 'gap' in research that you are contributing to.  | McIntyre Building   | 201 Flat Hall                           |
|                | Friday 7th<br>February    | 12:00-13:00 | Assessment & Feedback                                      | Using Feedback                          | This class looks at the different types of feedback you may receive during your studies at how to use feedback to identify potential improvements in your work.   | Adam Smith Building   | 588AB                                   |

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| 10th February | Tuesday 11th February   | 10:00-11:00 | Graduate Numeracy: Essentials                              | Ratios                                 | Applying for jobs? These classes will cover the essential numerical skills required by many employers (no matter what your subject background is). This session focusses on ratios and is specifically targeted at students who lack confidence with basic calculations.   | Gilbert Scott Building          | 253   |
|               |                         | 15:00-16:00 | Science Dissertation Writing                               | Presenting your Findings               | This class looks at the most effective way of discussing your data and writing about your results in the context of your field.  | 42 Bute Gardens                 | 916   |
|               |                         | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | Using Language in your Dissertation    | This class discusses how to make appropriate use of language when writing your dissertation, considering important aspects such as tone and signposting.   | Kelvin Hall                     | G59 LT  |
|               | Wednesday 12th February | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Probability                            | To certainly give students a better chance of answering the question "how likely was that?", our fourth session covers the basic rules of probability, as well as both discrete and continuous probability distributions.  | Wolfson Medical Building        | 257   |
|               |                         | 15:00-17:00 | Maths Drop-ins   |  | Open to any student with any maths question (other than Honours level mathematics courses). Just turn up with the problem you're working on and your relevant course notes.  | James McCune Smith Learning Hub | 430   |
|               |                         | 17:00-18:00 | Early Stages Dissertation Writing (International Students) | Planning your Dissertation's Structure | This class discusses how to plan your dissertation's structure to ensure a clear argument.   | McIntyre Building               | 201 Flat Hall   |
| 17th February | Tuesday 18th February   | 10:00-11:00 | Graduate Numeracy: Make your applications count            | Breaking Down Questions                | Applying for jobs? This session is for any student looking for advice on how to prepare for the <b>numerical reasoning tests</b> used by many employers. We will give a brief introduction about the tests, before focussing on how to break down questions into manageable chunks.  | Gilbert Scott Building          | 253   |
|               |                         | 15:00-16:00 | Science Dissertation Writing                               | Editing and Proofreading               | The class looks at the stages of editing and proofreading that you need to complete in order to achieve a polished and professional dissertation.  | 42 Bute Gardens                 | 916   |
|               | Wednesday 19th February | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Hypothesis Testing                     | This fifth session will cover hypothesis testing, which is used to draw conclusions about a whole population from a sample of data, e.g. how can news outlets call an election with only a fraction of the votes tallied? We will discuss how to choose the null and alternative hypothesis, and which distributions to use. | Wolfson Medical Building        | 257   |
|               |                         | 15:00-17:00 | Maths Drop-ins   |  | Open to any student with any maths question (other than Honours level mathematics courses). Just turn up with the problem you're working on and your relevant course notes.  | James McCune Smith Learning Hub | 430   |
| 24th February | Tuesday 25th February   | 10:00-11:00 | Graduate Numeracy: Make your applications count            | Tips for Speed                         | Applying for jobs? This session is for any student looking for advice on how to prepare for the <b>numerical reasoning tests</b> used by many employers. Many of the tests have strict time limits, and so this session will focus on techniques for working quickly but accurately.   | Gilbert Scott Building          | 253   |
|               | Wednesday 26th February | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Simple and Multiple Linear Regression  | This sixth session will discuss the relationship, or more precisely the correlation, between variables, and how to describe these relationships using simple and multiple linear regression. We will use R to generate a best fit line to pairwise ordered data, and then also generate a more complex linear model.         | Wolfson Medical Building        | 257   |
|               |                         | 15:00-17:00 | Maths Drop-ins   |  | Open to any student with any maths question (other than Honours level mathematics courses). Just turn up with the problem you're working on and your relevant course notes.  | James McCune Smith Learning Hub | 430   |
| 3rd March     | Wednesday 5th March     | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Logistic and Multinomial Regression    | Does the amount of time a student spends studying increase the probability of passing their course, and if so, what's my probability of passing if I spend x hours studying? This session will show how this can be answered using logistic regression, and how this can be implemented in R.                                | Wolfson Medical Building        | 257   |
|               |                         | 15:00-17:00 | Maths Drop-ins   |  | Open to any student with any maths question (other than Honours level mathematics courses). Just turn up with the problem you're working on and your relevant course notes.  | James McCune Smith Learning Hub | 430   |
| 10th March    | Wednesday 12th March    | 13:00-14:00 | Introduction to Statistics                                 | Flexible Regression                    | Sometimes a linear model won't be appropriate to model the data we have and we have to instead use a flexible yet smooth curve. The last of our sessions will show how to create a flexible regression model using the R package "mgcv".   | Wolfson Medical Building        | 257   |
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| 24th March    | Tuesday 25th March      | 17:00-18:00 | Assessment & Feedback                                      | Calculation Based Exam Preparation     | This class discusses different types of calculation or maths questions that you may encounter in your exams, and strategies on how best to approach them.  | Online                          | <a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87171734814?pwd=e6F3rue19e8kR5f1E8nyZRVWev7Usv.1">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/87171734814?pwd=e6F3rue19e8kR5f1E8nyZRVWev7Usv.1</a> |
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|               |                         | 17:00-18:00 | Assessment & Feedback                                      | Sciences Exam Preparation              | This class covers revision strategy and exam technique for Sciences exams, including advice on different revision techniques and their advantages and disadvantages.   | Online                          | <a href="https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/82760507211?pwd=XGbvja9uldbbPDD0h4qv1VaRhbb.1">https://uofglasgow.zoom.us/j/82760507211?pwd=XGbvja9uldbbPDD0h4qv1VaRhbb.1</a>       |

## Moodle pages

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| Maths Support Moodle:  | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=140">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=140</a>     |
| Stats Support Moodle:  | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=42233">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=42233</a> |
| Intro to Stats Moodle:   | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=19841">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=19841</a> |
| Graduate Numeracy Moodle   | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12831">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12831</a> |
| Science Dissertation Writing Moodle:                                   | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12843">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12843</a> |
| Assessments and Academic Development Moodle:                           | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10317">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10317</a> |
| SLD for International Students: Starting your Academic Citizenship and | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=27830">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=27830</a> |
| Science Writing - Advanced Criticality Moodle:                         | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10315">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10315</a> |
| Science Communication - Beyond Essays and Dissertations Moodle:        | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12927">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=12927</a> |
| Science Writing - Fundamentals Moodle:                                 | <a href="https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10316">https://moodle.gla.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=10316</a> |