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NEWSLETTER



FALL in Love With Our New Team!

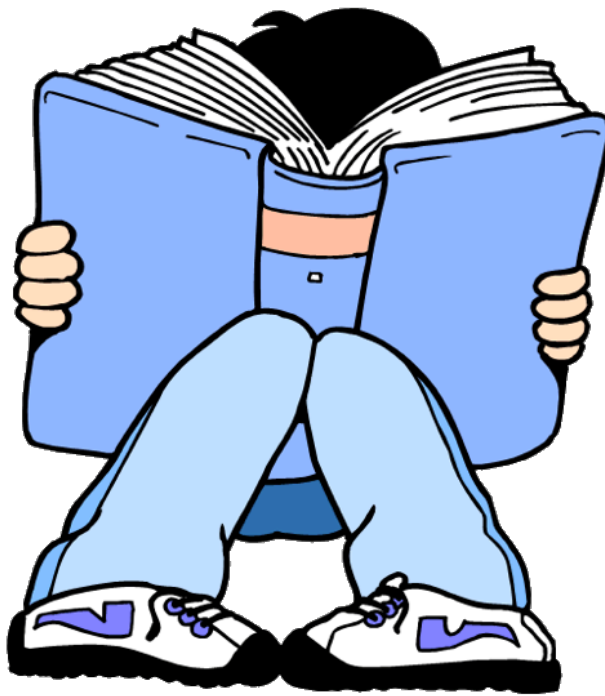
Hello readers, and welcome to the UW ActSci Club's first newsletter for the Fall 2018 term! We are excited to share some very exciting and important news with you so don't stop reading now... grab a drink and something to munch on because we guarantee that you'll be here for a while, absorbing all of the awesomeness that lies between these next few pages, enjoy!

Newsletter summary:

There's too much
awesomeness to
summarize... just
read it for yourself!

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A Message to Our Readers:

Hello there! Welcome to the first edition to the ActSci Club newsletter for the Fall 2018 term. The contents of this newsletter have been organized for your personal viewing pleasure. To make your read more enjoyable, we, at the ActSci Club, have comprised a short list of the BEST ways to read our newsletters:

- On your laptop in that super boring class you have... and hardly pay attention to
- In your room while you're pretending to do homework so you can further avoid the mountain of unfolded laundry on your floor
- Under your covers at 3am when you can't fall asleep
- On your phone while you take that horrible bus ride home
- Waiting in the eternal line at the Tim Hortons in SLC

We hope you enjoy!

FALL in Love With Our New Team

Get to know the people behind the scenes of ActSci club!



Program: Math Finance 3A

Celebrity crush: Bob Ross. He brings all the happy thoughts

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Sunny side up

Secret super power: Cooking minute rice in 59 seconds

What cartoon character are you: Stan Marsh

Lined paper or graph: Lined! All things parallel, all the time.

Ketchup or mustard: The cool orange sauce you get from mixing them

Favorite dessert: Cheesecake

RYAN LU — PRESIDENT

I grew up in Vancouver and came to Waterloo because I heard about its great co-op and math program. Aside from math I also enjoy board games and debating (although hopefully not at the same time). Also, in terms of recreational activities, I enjoy dragon boating or just going to the gym to destress. Having been part of UW Act Sci Club since first year, I've learned and gained so much from the club and I plan to give back to the Act Sci community by taking a leadership role this term. I hope to help others as I was helped when I was new to Waterloo, so if you have any questions or just want to talk, feel free to drop by anytime during my office hours!



Program: 3A Math/BBA double degree

Celebrity crush: Dan Wolczuk

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Poached because I'm boujee

Secret super power: Perceptually being lost :(

What cartoon character are you: Gerald - Hey Arnold

Lined paper or graph: no answer

Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup

Favorite dessert: Strawberry Cheesecake

DANIEL FAGAN — VP ADMINISTRATION

Hey guys! My name is Daniel and I'm your VP Admin for this term's Actsci club. I'm supposedly a chilled laid back guy according to my friends so don't be afraid to visit me during my office hours. Favorite food near Waterloo is Chickooos chicken poutine so if you ever bring me that, I'll be forever grateful!



Program: 3A Actuarial Science

Celebrity crush: Matthew McConaughey - alright alright alright

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Over easy

Secret super power: Being 5 minutes late

What cartoon character are you: Ron Stoppable

Lined paper or graph: Lined! All things parallel, all the time.

Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup

Favorite dessert: Macaron

MAYA PERELMAN — VP COMMUNICATIONS

Hey everyone! My name is Maya and I'm currently in my 3A term of ActSci. It's my third term with the ActSci club and I keep coming back because it's a great way to chill with people in the same program as you! Fun fact: I'm 6ft tall if you round up.



Program: Double Major in Actuarial Science and Stats, 3A

Celebrity crush: Ryan Reynolds because he's literally perfect

How do you like your eggs in the morning: I normally don't like eggs but if I had to choose scrambled with cheese

Secret super power: Being persuasive

What cartoon character are you: Kim Possible

Lined paper or graph: Lined! All things parallel, all the time.

Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup

Favorite dessert: Ice cream

MIKAYLA DANIELS — VP EVENTS

I'm originally from Nova Scotia and came to UW for the ActSci program! Yes, I call a book bag, a book bag and lined paper, lined paper. East Coasters are known for their hospitality so stop by my office hours anytime!



Program: 4A Math/BBA
Celebrity crush: Rihanna
How do you like your eggs in the morning: Scrambled
Secret super power: Eidetic memory
What cartoon character are you: Spider-man
Lined paper or graph: Graph paper or no paper
Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup
Favorite dessert: Carrot Cake

AMAN MURBA — VP FINANCE

I'm in 4A Math/BBA. I'm really into powerlifting, hip-hop and basketball.



Program: Actsci 4a
Celebrity crush:
How do you like your eggs in the morning: 85% of the time non existent, the other 15% of the time as a cheese omelet
Secret super power: Telling a joke without being aware of it (does that count? Lool)
What cartoon character are you: Peppa pig (her shade throwing side lol)
Lined paper or graph: Lined! All things parallel, all the time.
Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup
Favorite dessert: Vanilla ice cream

GRACE CHAMA JOY KABWE — MENTORSHIP COORDINATOR

I come from Zambia. Smiling is my favorite hobby :)! I love to have conversation too so feel free to come talk during my office hours!



Program: Stats & Actsci 3A

Celebrity crush: Will Smith. Does it need explaining?

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Over easy on a bagel with cream cheese

*Secret super power: *ah send help i don't have a good one**

What cartoon character are you: Agnes Gru from

Despicable Me

Lined paper or graph: Graph paper or no paper

Ketchup or mustard: Mustard

Favorite dessert: Waffels

DAYLE MAYO — PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

Hey guys, I'm Dayle Mayo a third year stats&actsci student who has no idea what they're doing. If you had asked me last year what my major was you would have gotten a different answer every month. If you have no idea what you're doing either come down to my office hours and we can try to help each other out!!!



Program: Actuarial Science and Statistics, CS minor - 3A

Celebrity crush: Odell Beckham Jr. - Because #13 on the field #1 in my heart

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Sunny Side Up :)

Secret super power: Telekinesis - Or at least I wish

What cartoon character are you: Goofy - Life's too short to always be serious

Lined paper or graph: Lined! All things parallel, all the time.

Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup

Favorite dessert: Brownies!!

ADAIJAH WILSON — EVENTS COORDINATOR

Hey guys! My name's Adaijah Wilson and I am in third year, pursuing a double major in Statistics and Actuarial Science and a minor in Computer Science. I love working out, eating anything sweet, and am the definition of a Netflix binge watcher. I have also mastered the science of cooking anything in a microwave. Come by my office hours to talk about AcSci or compare some crazy recipes :)



Program: 2A - Actuarial Science
Celebrity crush: Alex Jokel - Look at him
How do you like your eggs in the morning: Overeasy
Secret super power: Ultralight grind
What cartoon character are you: Ned Flanders
Lined paper or graph: Neither, I prefer the bark or a nice rock
Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup
Favorite dessert: Cheesecake

DOUGLAS CHAMBERLAIN — EVENTS COORDINATION

I go home on the weekends so my mom can make me food and do my laundry.



Program: Actuarial Science, 2A
Celebrity crush: Rachel Riley, the only mathematics graduate I know more attractive than James Grime
How do you like your eggs in the morning: Raw but with a pinch of cumin
Secret super power: I have super speed, but only in one of my legs
What cartoon character are you: I've been told I look like Tintin
Lined paper or graph: Lined! All things parallel, all the time.
Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup
Favorite dessert: A third serving of spaghetti bolognese

ALEX JOKEL — EVENT COORDINATOR

Hey, my name is Alex and I like to play my Nintendo DS under the covers past 10pm. I've been playing the saxophone for 8 years, and after competing at provincials in grade 12 I've come to this school to wreak havoc in the jazz band. You can also catch me at the Smash Bros club once the meetings start up, I'll MM you BO5, Falcon dittos only. Also if you have any tips with breaking 30s in speedcubing using Fridrich method it would be much appreciated. Other than that, I've been getting into speedrunning recently and am pretty close to getting a sub-5 minute time in Super Mario Bros. Lastly I'm pretty much the most hardcore Mario Kart Wii player you can find around here, don't even come at me if you don't know what a spindrift is. Cheers guys make sure to check out my site at www.math.student.uwaterloo.ca/~ajjokel, peace



Program: Actuarial Science 2A

Celebrity crush: Joey Tribianni — How you doin'??

How do you like your eggs in the morning: I do not, eggs are gross

Secret super power: Being able to identify almost any dog breed on the spot

What cartoon character are you: Tinker Bell

Lined paper or graph: Lined! All things parallel, all the time.

Ketchup or mustard: Mustard

Favorite dessert: A Costco-sized bag of All Dressed chips

KATIE ST CROIX — NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Hey everyone!!! As you can see in the previous line, my name is Katie, and this is my first time being a part of the ActSci club executive team. I come from a very large (and extremely loud) family which is where I get most of my personality from. Dogs are a huge part of my life as I consider myself pretty obsessed with them. I spend a lot of time watching show-dog competitions which is why I can tell you the specific breed of any dog walking by. I just recently took one of my family dogs with me when I moved back to Waterloo, so most of my time is spent playing with my dog instead of doing linear algebra. If you ever want to come talk to someone about dogs (or actsci stuff) feel free to come to my office hours! Who knows, I might even bring my dog to hangout with me so she'll be there too! Cheers!



Program: 2A Actuarial Science

Celebrity crush: Bella Hadid. Check out her instagram if you want to know why

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Fried or Sunny Side Up

Secret super power: I can walk on water but only if it is frozen.

What cartoon character are you: Gary the Snail

Lined paper or graph: Graph paper or no paper

Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup

Favorite dessert: Not big on desserts, but ice cream is something I can't turn down

ERIC YU — PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

Hi, my name is Eric and I'm in 2A studying Actuarial Science w/ Predictive Analytics option. When I'm not busy with school I like to go out with my friends or play sports games on the PS4. I enjoy listening to R&B/Soul/Hip-Hop music and I always listen to music while I study. If you have any good songs you would recommend, come find me during office hours!



Program: Actsci/Stats, 3A

Celebrity crush: Kit Harrington, because winter is coming.

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Scrambled, like my mind in the morning.

Secret super power: I can make my motivation to study disappear!

What cartoon character are you: Morty from Rick and Morty

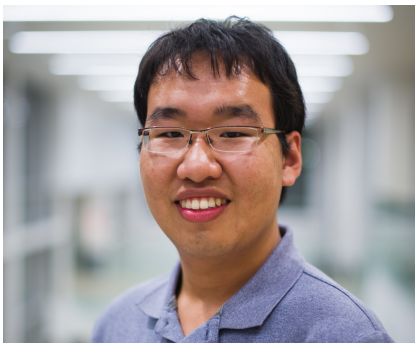
Lined paper or graph: Graph paper or no paper

Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup

Favorite dessert: Hot fudge brownie on a sizzler topped with vanilla ice cream and drizzled with chocolate sauce.

SHAUNAK RAJADHYAKSHA — WEBSITE MANAGER

Hey everyone! My name is Shaunak and I'll be the Website Manager for the Actsci Club for the Fall 2018 term. I chose actuarial science as a career because I love the application of mathematics in the context of risk management. In my spare time, I enjoy playing the piano and watching classic movies. I am very excited for the events coming in the next 3 months, so stay tuned and come out to as many as possible! :)



Program: Actuarial science and statistics, 4B

Celebrity crush: Gordon Ramsay, because it's fucking RAWWW

How do you like your eggs in the morning: Sunny side up

Secret super power: The ability to find the best free food on campus.

What cartoon character are you: Lelouch

Lined paper or graph: Neither, I prefer the bark or a nice rock

Ketchup or mustard: Ketchup

Favorite dessert: Butter pecan pie

FRANK JIANG — MENTORSHIP COORDINATOR

Hey guys, I'm Frank and I'm currently in my final term at UW. I'll be graduating at the end of this term to work at Intact Insurance full time. I like working on random coding projects and have worked in more technical non-traditional actuarial roles. I also really like to travel, take photos and enjoy new experiences!

Events, Events, and More Events!

Get the scoop on all the latest events hosted by the ActSci club

Recent Events:

RESUME CRITIQUE — SEPTEMBER 13, 2018.

Members who attended this event got a chance to sharpen their interviewing skills just in time for the hiring season! Mock interviews are a great way to help you prepare yourself for interviews with potential employers — it's a chance to test the waters before diving straight in!



MOCK INTERVIEWS — SEPTEMBER 20, 2018.



Members who attended this event got a chance to sharpen their interviewing skills just in time for the hiring season! Mock interviews are a great way to help you prepare yourself for interviews with potential employers — it's a chance to test the waters before diving straight in!

BEGINNING OF TERM EVENT — SEPTEMBER 26, 2018.

BOT was the place to BE on September 26! Lots of members got the chance to come and enjoy yummy treats like poutine and bubble tea, and then stay afterwards to play tons of games!



Tips and Tricks for an Awesome Resume and Interview

These tips and tricks are provided by one of our very own ActSci club VP's, Aman Murba! He's kindly shared some insight on his experience in the interviewing world.



AMAN IS IN 4A MATH/BBA. HE'S DONE A P&C TERM AT DESJARDINS AND MORE RECENTLY ACTUARIAL ADVISORY AT EY IN NEW YORK. OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL, AMAN IS INTO POWERLIFTING, BASKETBALL AND HIP-HOP.

Getting the Interview:

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Quantify your impact/results in your resume. Which sounds better? “Used VBA to automate existing processes” or “Wrote eight VBA scripts, increasing task efficiency by up to 67%.” It’s not always easy to quantify things/ understand impact. I think to improve at this, you should consciously think about it throughout the term, ask your manager about the impact of your work and keep a log of your progress/impact throughout the term.

Write a Personalized Cover Letter for Jobs You’re Interested In. A simple structure I follow is:

1. Intro/summary of who I am and why I believe qualified
2. A discussion of my relevant achievements and skills based on the job description and why I’d be a good fit.
3. A paragraph specifically talking about what interests me about the company and what I hope to gain from my experience there. (Often, people focus on what they can do for the company. An employer-employee relationship should ideally be symbiotic though).
4. Summarize your interest and qualifications and genuinely thank the employer for reading.

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Relevant Sections: For actuarial professions, this includes work experience, leadership and extracurricular experience, education and technical skills. Write everything in the order you want it to be read. If you’re always on the Dean’s List and don’t have great co-ops yet, put your education at the top. If you’ve had amazing co-ops, put them at the top. Follow industry standards though as some professions in finance will reject candidates who don’t follow the traditional format.

Optimize your resume to beat Applicant Tracking Systems: Go through the jobs you applied to. Many jobs likely have over 100 resumes. Firms that use applicant tracking systems will have the computer rank resumes based on how much they meet the job description. This is why it can be beneficial to include employer’s wording in your resume. Try using this website next time www.jobscan.co

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Get someone to review your resume. Like your mentor. They can see things you don't. I asked my professor to critique my resume and cover letter and it was extremely beneficial.

Networking: I think this is arguably the most difficult component and what sets apart weak candidates from the cream of the crop. Most people don't know what to talk about or are too nervous to approach people. The best way to get over nervousness is to practice. It's okay if you mess up in your first few interactions. You also can't count on everyone liking you, so get used to rejections and choose your battles. As for talking to people, I'd recommend three things:

1. Put yourself in the employer's shoes. Imagine leaving work after a long day and going to an event only to have kids ask boring questions about work or questions that they clearly rehearsed before coming over. Focus on things you like to talk about and have deep knowledge about and are ideally able to leverage to develop rapport. For example, if you're interested in traveling the world, you could ask someone how their summer was and whether they travelled somewhere cool and listen to them. This can lead into asking about work-life balance etc. and what they appreciate about their role at the firm. The point is keep it natural and interesting. If you're going to ask about their work, make sure you're interested in it and can keep a good discussion about it going.
2. People love talking about themselves and stuff they find interesting. Ask open-ended questions and learn to be an effective listener through your body language etc. It's hard to go wrong with this.
3. Know when to end the conversation and move on. Remember, good things come in 3's. Don't dwell on a topic and talk about 2-3 different things. Once you've built an impression, end off on a good note saying how you appreciated the discussion and anything you found captivating about the firm or role. Shake hands and smile.

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Become a Member

Join the ActSci Club and learn about all the benefits that come with being a member!



JOIN THE ACTSCI TEAM AND GET THE INSIDE SCOOP ON ALL OUR UPCOMING EVENTS! BECOMING A MEMBER IS SUPER EASY, AND LOTS OF FUN! AS A MEMBER OF THE ACTSCI CLUB YOU GET EXCLUSIVE PARTICIPATION IN ALL OF OUR UPCOMING EVENTS. THIS MEANS LOTS OF NETWORKING AND TONS OF FREE FOOD! POP BY DURING OUR OFFICE HOURS TO FIND OUT WHAT THE CLUB IS ALL ABOUT AND HOW YOU CAN BECOME A MEMBER!

Contact Us

We don't bite! We like to think of ourselves as a pretty fun and friendly bunch, so if you have any questions don't hesitate to get in touch!

Our newsletter wasn't enough for you? Are you still craving more information on the actsci club? Then contact us through any of our social media accounts or come chat face-to-face with one of our club executive during office hours! Office hours are hosted every day during the week in M3 1003. Feel free to

ActSci Club Office Hours (Fall 2018 - M3 1003)					
Start Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 - 9:30 AM					
9:30 - 10:00 AM			Maya		
10:00 - 10:30 AM					
10:30 - 11:00 AM	Ryan	Aman	Ryan	Daniel	Maya
11:00 - 11:30 AM					
11:30 - 12:00 PM	Dayle		Alex		Shaunak
12:00 - 12:30 PM				Doug	
12:30 - 1:00 PM		Eric			
1:00 - 1:30 PM	Adaijah			Grace	
1:30 - 2:00 PM		Frank			
2:00 - 2:30 PM				Katie	
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The Fun Stuff

*Finally! What you've all been waiting for...
(Unless you just skipped to this page which is also totally cool)*

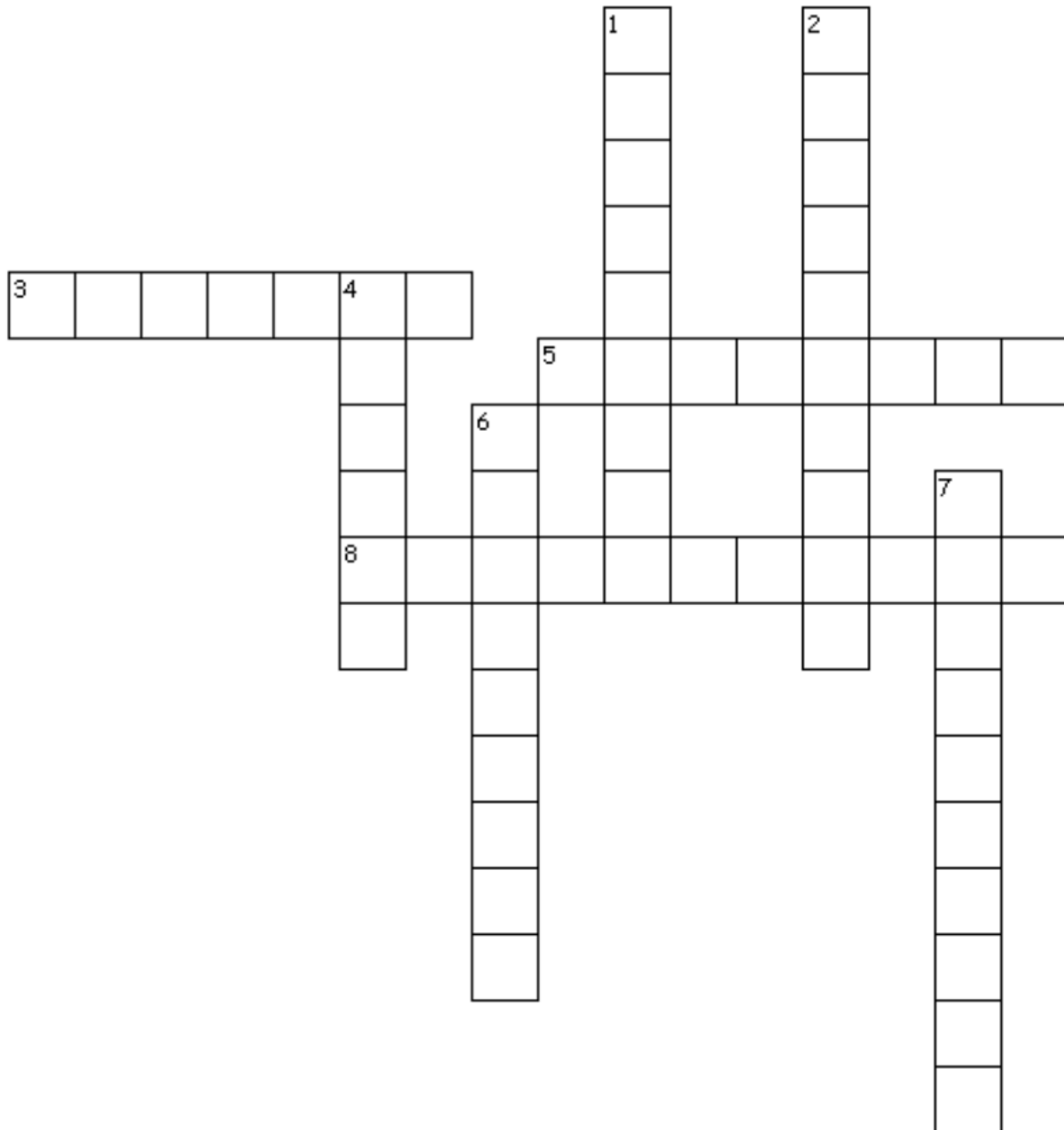
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**ACROSS:**

3. A PERSON WHO COMPILES AND ANALYZES STATISTICS AND USES THEM TO CALCULATE INSURANCE RISKS AND PREMIUMS

5. A PUBLIC RESEARCH UNIVERSITY (YOU PROBABLY ATTEND THIS SCHOOL)

8. THE ABSTRACT SCIENCE OF NUMBERS, QUANTITY, AND SPACE

DOWN:

1. A PRACTICE OR ARRANGEMENT BY WHICH A COMPANY OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY PROVIDES A GUARANTEE OF COMPENSATION FOR SPECIFIED LOSS, DAMAGE, ILLNESS, OR DEATH IN RETURN FOR A PAYMENT OF A PREMIUM

2. AN INSTITUTION ATTENDED FOR POST SECONDARY EDUCATION

4. A BRIEF ACCOUNT OF A PERSONS EDUCATION, QUALIFICATIONS, AND PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE, TYPICALLY SENT WITH A JOB APPLICATION

6. A MEETING OF PEOPLE FACE TO FACE, ESPECIALLY FOR A JOB OPPORTUNITY

7. THE BEST CLUB ON THE UW CAMPUS!