

1116-E5-2764 **Jesse W Johnson*** (jwjohanson@westfield.ma.edu), Westfield State University, Department of Mathematics, 577 Western Ave., Westfield, MA 01086. *Teaching to the Actuarial Exams: One of the Few Times Teaching to an Exam is Okay*. Preliminary report.

I will share my experiences in the creation and teaching of two courses at my home institution that cover the material on the actuarial exams Probability P/1 and Financial Mathematics FM/2. By continually putting the students in an exam-like setting, these courses serve a dual purpose of teaching the material and building problem-solving skills. The results have been overwhelmingly positive. I will focus on the strengths and the drawbacks of this style of teaching, and I will share some of the personal successes of some of our students. (Received September 22, 2015)