

**COURSE DATA****Data Subject**

Code	35887
Name	Statistics
Cycle	Grade
ECTS Credits	4.5
Academic year	2018 - 2019

Study (s)

Degree	Center	Acad. year	Period
1314 - Degree in International Business	Faculty of Economics	2	First term

Subject-matter

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1314 - Degree in International Business	9 - Quantitative methods applied to business	Obligatory

Coordination

Name	Department
CABALLER TARAZONA, MARIA	110 - Applied Economics

SUMMARY

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PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

Relationship to other subjects of the same degree

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

Other requirements

It is recommended for students to have some basic mathematical knowledge.

OUTCOMES

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- Develop the capacity to evaluate and critically analyse international economic phenomena and agents.
- Be able to work in multidisciplinary and intercultural teams.
- Know how to use the statistical methods and software to manage the company's operations.
- Use the economic and financial information of the company to make decisions.
- Develop the capacity to prepare and defend reports that contribute to the decision-making of public and private agents.
- Adquirir conocimientos básicos de Estadística.
- Conocer el análisis de datos unidimensionales.
- Tener conocimientos de regresión.
- Conocer los aspectos básicos de las series temporales y de los modelos univariantes.
- Saber utilizar paquetes informáticos específicos que ayuden a resolver problemas de toma de decisiones en el ámbito empresarial.



LEARNING OUTCOMES

- To acquire notions about decision-making under uncertainty.
- Knowledge of the main Statistics to summarize sample information.
- To seek for and determine relationship between variables.
- To characterize an uncertain event.
- To apply statistical/econometric software for analyzing business and business environment information.
- To know the basis of Probability Theory.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS

1. ANALYSIS AND SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

Unit 1. Graphic analysis.

Unit 2. Numerical analysis I: measures of central tendency.

Unit 3. Numerical analysis II: measures of variability.

2. PROBABILITY MODELS

Unit 4. Fundamentals of probability theory.

Unit 5. Discrete probability distributions.

Unit 6. Continuous probability distributions.

3. SAMPLING AND ESTIMATION

Unit 7. Distribution of sampling statistics.

Unit 8. Confidence intervals for the mean.

Unit 9. Confidence intervals for other parameters.



WORKLOAD

ACTIVITY	Hours	% To be attended
Computer classroom practice	30,00	100
Theory classes	15,00	100
Study and independent work	10,00	0
Preparation of evaluation activities	11,00	0
Preparing lectures	10,00	0
Preparation of practical classes and problem	15,00	0
Resolution of case studies	20,00	0
Resolution of online questionnaires	1,50	0
TOTAL	112,50	

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Course time is split between lectures and computer lab work. Therefore, the teaching method will depend on the class session (lecture or computer lab).

Lectures, with a teaching load of one hour a week, cover the fundamentals of the units of the course with special emphasis in developing the link to socio-economic and business applications. While the teaching method of lectures is “chalk and talk”, students’ participation and in-class discussion is encouraged.

Computer labs, with a teaching load of 2 hours a week, focus on presenting the students with practical examples and finding solutions to problems based on the application of (previously introduced) theoretical concepts. These sessions are based on different active teaching methods, but will rely mostly on problem solving. The main goal is to apply theoretical concepts to case problems.

EVALUATION

Grades are a weighted average of the results from a final exam and coursework.

1. The weight of the final exam is 70% of the course grade. It will include theoretical and/or practical problems to assess students’ proficiency in the knowledge and application of the core tools and concepts of the subject.
2. The remainder 30% of the final grade is the assessment of in-class participation, coursework and problems-solving and quizzes.

IMPORTANT:



No student will get a positive assessment of the course (5 points or more) without passing the final exam (5 points out of 10). Students failing the final exam will get a maximum final grade of 4.5 points.

A student might opt out of in-class assignments assessment. In this case his/her final grade will be exclusively based on the final exam, and will opt to a maximum grade of 7 points out of 10.

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