Course guides
270406 - IE - Introduction to Statistics

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DEGREE COMPETENCES TO WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTRIBUTES

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TEACHING METHODOLOGY

The course consists of two hours of theory and two hours of lab per week.
In theory classes (lectures), the inverted class scheme will be practiced whenever possible.
On the website of the subject, the calendar of the course will be posted and the materials to be prepared before each class. The master class scheme is covered promptly when the lecturer needs to clarify complex concepts that have not been solved within materials distributed prior to the class. The theory class will be dedicated primarily to the presentation of cases and the development of interactive activities with students such as the discussion of cases, the development of problems or the realization of short specific questionnaires.
The students will be organized by groups (teams) and will work in a practical project with data that they will look for themselves and that will fulfill certain characteristics set by the professors. With these data, each team will carry out the practice sessions with the techniques of the topic studied during the theory session of each week. The lecturer will monitor weekly all the work teams during the lab sessions.
At the end of the course, the teams will present their results in a public session where all the projects will be discussed together.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT

1. Getting familiar with the tools of basic statistics to be able to treat data correctly and internalize the statistical methodology as a basic scheme of extraction of relevant information on complex phenomena
2. To select the relevant data to support a specific question.
3. Designing the eligibility criteria of a sample correctly to answer a real problem
4. Designing basic experiments to study real problems
5. To perform basic data preprocessing
6. To select the statistical modeling methods most appropriate to the problem, in relation to the structure of the available data, the objectives of the study and the subsequent uses of the model results
7. To build the statistical models correctly from the data, making use of the necessary software, the context of the reference problem and present it publicly
8. To apply in an integrated way the statistical knowledge obtained from the classes into the analysis of a real data set (taking advantage of open date sources) responding to a reference problem of any real area relevant to artificial intelligence, such as health, environment, sustainability, industry 4.0
9. To perform and develop practical works and projects with a gender perspective
10. Integrating teamwork mechanisms in carrying out practical works
11. Skilfully deal with the computer tools necessary to solve the real problems proposed with the basic statistical techniques seen during the course.
12. To Interpret and contextualize the statistical models built from data
13. Incorporating the ethical recommendations of the EC regarding AI to practical work
14. To validate the models obtained and make a critical interpretation of the results from a technical point of view and contextualize the results within the framework of the problem.
15. To carry out an automatic report with the descriptive analysis of a Database, the validated models, and the integrated and critical analysis of the results in relation to the context of the reference problem.
16. Publicly present a statistical report that includes descriptive analysis, models and conclusions, adequately communicated in technical audiences and / or without technical competences

STUDY LOAD

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Total learning time: 150 h
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ACTIVITIES

Teamworking

Description:
Students are organized into groups and look for real data sets that match certain requirements defined by the professor. Data are used to apply the techniques and methodologies that are seen throughout the course. At the end of the course, they will present a report with the results and make an oral presentation with the most relevant results of the final project.

Specific objectives:
8, 10

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Laboratory classes: 27h
Self study: 50h

quiz 1

Description:
During the course there will be short answer tests to fix learning pieces. They will be done at the end of certain lab classes.

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1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11

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Full-or-part-time: 0h 30m
Guided activities: 0h 30m
Quiz 2

Description:
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Specific objectives:
6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14

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Full-or-part-time: 0h 30m
Guided activities: 0h 30m
Initial practical work presentation

**Description:**
Initial presentation of the practical work

**Specific objectives:**
9, 13, 15

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**Full-or-part-time:** 12h
Laboratory classes: 2h
Self study: 10h
Final practical work presentation

Description:
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Specific objectives:
7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16

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Full-or-part-time: 3h
Guided activities: 3h

Lectures

Description:
Lectures

Specific objectives:
1

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Full-or-part-time: 60h
Theory classes: 30h
Self study: 30h
GRADING SYSTEM

Teamwork carried out during the course 20%
Oral knowledge control test 10% (discussion with teachers in the oral presentation of teamworks)
Quality and performance of the work team (TG). 10%
Oral and written communication 10%
Ethics of the work team and the work itself 10%
Team and work gender perspective 10%
Attendance and participation in classes and laboratories (AP). 10%
2 Quiz throughout the course 20%

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Basic: