Pedagogical Sciences

General information	
Academic subject	**Research and data processing techniques**
Degree course	Pedagogical studies
Academic Year	I year
European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System(ECTS)	6
Language	Italian
Academic calendar (starting and endingdate)	
Attendance	Attendance at the course is strongly recommended

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Syllabus	
Learning Objectives	The aim of the course is to provide the student with the basic knowledge of statistical methodology in the field of communication processes and to familiarize the student with the basic techniques of data collection and processing and their immediate applicability. At the end of the course, the student will be able to: - Recognize the nature and structure of the available data and identify the most appropriate analysis technique for both the univariate and bivariate cases; - Acquire skills to critically analyze the results obtained and place them in the context of real problems. - Apply and interpret the results of the main descriptive and inferential statistical analysis methods to specific cases.
Course prerequisites	There are no formal prerequisites, but it is strongly recommended to have studied topics in general mathematics.
Contents	GET THE ESSENTIAL INFORMATION Information collection First steps towards statistics Simple random sampling Other sampling methods Sampling error Statistical sources DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS Organize and synthesize data Organize qualitative data Organize quantitative data: the most used Representations Incorrect graphic representations Summarize the data numerically Measures of central tendency Dispersion measures

	Position and outlier measurements
	Describe the relationship between two variables
	Scatter and correlation chart
	Least squares regression
	Determination coefficient
	PROBABILITY AND PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTIONS
	Probability rules
	How to use discrete probability distributions
	The normal probability distribution
	INFERENCE: FROM CHAMPIONS TO POPULATION
	Sample distributions
	How to use confidence intervals for mean and percentage
	How to use hypothesis testing
	How to use the chi-square test
Books and bibliography	Michael Sullivan III, FONDAMENTI DI STATISTICA, V edizione, Pearson, 2020.
Additional materials	The text offers an online platform with additional exercises and solutions.

Work schedule			
Total	Lectures	Hands on (Laboratory, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours
Hours			
40	30	10	At the discretion of the student
ECTS			
6	5	1	At the discretion of the student
Teaching strategy		Lectures and regular practise sessions	
Expected learning outcomes		- Know how to classify data according to their nature and be able to find the most appropriate graphical tool to represent them. - Know the statistical indicators (mean, variance, shape indices, etc.) and how to apply them according to the type of data. - Be able to interpret the results obtained and be able to describe the phenomenon using statistical indicators. - Be familiar with the methods and master the instruments. - Acquire the logic of the discipline both methodologically and in terms of application.	
Knowledge and understanding on:		- The course aims to provide the basic methodological knowledge of statistical tools useful for the understanding and organic analysis of the complex economic reality under study. - Particular attention will be paid to the different sources available at national and international level to guide the user in the context of the many databases useful for the analysis of the sector. - The study of these topics will allow the student to understand which tools to apply for the analysis of the available data and to correctly interpret the reality studied.	
Applying knowledge and understanding on:		- The course includes several application exercises that accompany the methodological topics in order to allow students to apply what they have learned in class, with the aim of empirically using the formulas presented and, above all, interpreting the statistical results obtained. Basic knowledge of computer programs and web tools will also be provided for a better understanding and application of what has been learned in the course.	
Soft skills		Autonomy of judgment - The study of statistical tools from the point of view of critical application, accompanied by examples and exercises, will enable the student to acquire and improve his judgment. In this way, he will be able to understand which instrument is the most appropriate for the analysis in question and how to correctly interpret the results obtained. Communication skills - Presenting and commenting on some statistical reports related to the tourism sector will enable you to acquire appropriate technical language and terminology relevant to the subject. Ability to learn independently	

	- Learning skills are enhanced through the management of application exercises uploaded to the platform, which also aim to check effective understanding of the topics covered. Other supplementary online learning resources, such as official documents, journal articles and links to specific websites, allow you to enhance and develop your learning skills.
Assessment and feedback	
Methods of assessment	The final exam consists of a written test at the end of the course in which students are asked to solve problems on real cases using appropriate statistical methods. This exam will be followed by an oral discussion, which may take place on one of the dates provided in the exam calendar.
Evaluation criteria	- Written exam in which you will demonstrate your level of mastery of the content and methods taught in the course. - The oral examination will involve discussion of the results obtained and verification of knowledge on topics not covered by the written examination.
Criteria for assessment and attribution of the final mark	- Theoretical and methodological references - Appropriate use of vocabulary
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