UNIVERSIDADE DA CORUÑA

Teaching Guide

Identifying Data				2023/24
Subject (*)	Análise de Supervivencia e Probas Diagnósticas		Code	653862333d
Study programme	Máster Universitario en Asistencia e Investigación Sanitaria (a distancia)			

Descriptors				
Cycle	Period	Year	Type	Credits
Official Master's Degree	2nd four-month period	First	Optional	3

Language	SpanishGalician
Teaching method	Face-to-face
Prerequisites	
Department	Ciencias da SaúdeFisioterapia, Medicina e Ciencias BiomédicasMatemáticas

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General description	This subject has got two distinct blocks: Survival Analysis (2 ETCs) and Diagnostic Tests (1 ECT). The common purpose is to establish the methodological elements that the student needs to design, carry out and understand clinical-epidemiological studies in the field of Health Sciences that involve survival analysis or the evaluation of diagnostic tests			

Study programme competences	
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Learning outcomes				
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Skills to use the correct statistical procedures in a clinical research study.	AR6	BC1	CC1
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Skills to know and apply specific analysis tools to analyze the validity and reliability of the results of diagnostic tests in clinical practice.	AR6	BC1	CC1
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Contents	
Topic	Sub-topic
BLOCK 1. Survival Analysis	1.1. Introduction: types of censoring, main functions of interest.
	1.2. Estimation of the survival curve: Kaplan-Meier estimator, important parametric models.
	1.3. Comparison of survival curves
	1.4. The proportional hazards model: Cox regression model.
	1.5. The competing risk model.

BLOCK 2. Diagnostic test	2.1. Validity and reliability of a diagnostic test: sensitivity, specificity, predictive values, likelihood ratios.
	2.2. Clinical implementation of Bayes's Theorem.
	2.3. ROC curves and the area under the ROC curve.
PRACTICAL CONTENT	1. Choice of the appropriate technique for data analysis, application of methods with statistical software, and interpretation of results.
	2. Application of epidemiological software for the analysis of the validity and reliability of diagnostic tests.
	3. Interpretation of results in the evaluation of diagnostic tests

Planning				
Methodologies / tests	Competencies	Ordinary class hours	Student?s personal work hours	Total hours
Online forum	A1 A4 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 C1 C3 C8	0	1	1
ICT practicals	A1 A5 B1 B3 B4 B5 B6 C3	0	15	15
Problem solving	A1 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 C3 C8	0	12	12
Supervised projects	A1 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 C1 C3 C8	0	15	15
Guest lecture / keynote speech	A1 A4 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 C1 C3 C8	0	24	24
Multiple-choice questions	A1 A4 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 C1 C3 C8	0	1	1
Case study	A1 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 C1 C3 C8	0	7	7
Personalized attention		0		0
(*)The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.				

Methodologies	
Methodologies	Description
Online forum	Espazo de discusión informal destinado aos estudantes para o tratamento dun tema ou problema, que se desenvolverá a través dun contorno virtual de aprendizaxe mediante ferramentas de comunicación asíncrona (foro).
ICT practicals	Actividades prácticas que consistirán na aplicación dos contidos teóricos da materia mediante a utilización das tecnoloxías da información e as comunicacións. Empregarase software específico para a realización de estudos bioestatísticos ou epidemiolóxicos.
Problem solving	Plantexarase a resolución de situacións prácticas concretas, a partir dos coñecementos traballados na materia
Supervised projects	Traballos onde se reflicta o dominio teórico-metodolóxico da materia. Os traballos solicitaranse en formato virtual e soporte informático.
Guest lecture / keynote speech	Estudio dirixido a través de material multimedia, baseado na exposición dos coñecementos teóricos da materia apoiandose no uso de medios audiovisuais
Multiple-choice questions	Cuestionarios de preguntas tipo test e/ou preguntas curtas co propósito de controlar a evolución na materia
Case study	Exposición dunha situación específica que suscita un problema que ten que ser comprendido, valorado e resolto por os/as alumnos/as. Plantexaranse problemas concretos en relación cos contidos da materia que describan unha situación real e describirase o proceso de resolución.

Personalized attention	
Methodologies	**Description**
Supervised projects Problem solving ICT practicals Online forum Case study	The personalized attention related to these methodologies aims to guide students in the study of the subject and in the realization of the proposed practical works. The follow-up will be done individually or in small groups, telematically, through email, the Virtual Campus or Teams.

Assessment				
Methodologies	**Competencies**	**Description**	**Qualification**
Supervised projects	A1 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 C1 C3 C8	Application of several statistical techniques to practical cases.	40
Problem solving	A1 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 C3 C8	Concrete practical situations, that will have to be solved using the contents introduced in the subject	17.5
Multiple-choice questions	A1 A4 A5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6 B7 C1 C3 C8	Multiple choice and short answer questions to assess the progress for each unit of the subject.	42.5

Assessment comments

Assessment system

The subject is divided into two blocks: Block 1 (corresponding to Unit 1. Survival analysis) and Block 2 (corresponding to Unit 2. Diagnostic tests).

Both blocks are independent, that is, one block's qualification is not affected by the other block's qualification.

To pass the subject, it is necessary to pass both blocks separately. In that case, the final score will be the weighted sum of each block's qualification.

In case of failing at least one block, the final score will be the minimum between the weighted sum of each block's qualification and the score 4.5

The final mark will be "ABSENT" (NP) only in the case the student carried out none of the assessment activities.

Concerning students of previous academic courses, the different former marks will not be kept in the current academic course.

Block I (Unit 1. Survival Analysis)

The highest score is 6.5 (out of 10), which comes from:

 Continuous evaluation (2.5 out of 10), consisting of solving problems and multiple-choice questions to be answered online individually.   A supervised project (4 out of 10), which includes the application of several statistical techniques to practical cases. It can be individual or in groups of 2-3 people.

Block II (Unit 2. Diagnostic test)

The highest score is 3.5 (out of 10), which comes from:

 Continuous evaluation (1.75 out of 10), consisting of solving problems and/or multiple-choice questions related to the contents, to be answered online individually.   Multiple-choice questions (1.75 out of 10), related to the contents, to be answered online individually. This assessment system will be applied in both the first and second call.December call

The regulation in the " Assessment, review and complaint regulation of degrees and master studies of the UDC ", article 19, shall apply.

High honors qualification (MH)

Students whose final qualification exceeds 9 may be eligible for honors. The teachers of the subject may consider additional criteria in the results obtained by the students in any of the training actions programmed in the teaching guide.

Fraud

Fraud in tests or evaluation activities will directly involve the implementation of the current rules in the Assessment, review and complaint regulation of the UDC and the Student Statute of the UDC

All these remarks are applied to the

part-time students and/or with academic exemption.

Sources of information

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Recommendations
Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before
Statistics Applied to Health Sciences/653862206
Statistical Models for Clinical Research/6538623028
Statistics Applied to Health Sciences/6538623005
Subjects that are recommended to be taken simultaneously
Subjects that continue the syllabus
Other comments
English language It is advisable a basic knowledge of English for reviewing the available sources of information, although it is not mandatory. The recommended level of English is A2, as stated in the Common European Framework of Reference on Language Skills (http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/biblioteca_ele/marco/cvc_mer.pdf).</p>Gender perspective: According to the different regulations applicable to university teaching, the gender perspective must be incorporated in this subject (non-sexist language will be used, bibliography of authors of both sexes will be incorporated, ...).Sexist prejudices and attitudes will be identified and avoided, and values of respect and equality will be promoted. Work will be done to detect situations of gender discrimination and actions and measures will be proposed to correct them.