



Italian code: SECS-S/05

Credits: 6

Course: Statistical Methods for Social Analysis

Main language of instruction: Italian

Other language of instruction: English

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Objectives

This course focuses on providing theoretical and methodological tools related to statistical analysis and econometrics, applied to a variety of contexts. Students will learn statistical techniques for data analysis, modeling, and inference, with applications including transportation, logistics, and decision-making frameworks.

Course structure

- Introduction to Statistics
- Linear regression
- Probability and Statistical Distributions
- Multivariate analysis

Competencies

A. Knowledge and understanding:

Fundamental concepts of statistical analysis.

Techniques of linear regression and random utility discrete choice models.

B. Applying knowledge and understanding:

Using statistical and econometric methods to analyze real-world data. Applying techniques for sustainable decision-making.

C. Communication skills:

Developing skills to effectively communicate statistical results to professionals and policymakers.

D. Learning skills:

Preparing students for further professional development and advanced statistical applications.

Syllabus

Subject 1: Introduction to Statistics

- Foundations of Statistics
- Role of statistics in data analysis and decision-making.
- Overview of descriptive and inferential statistics.
- Data Types and Data Collection
- Understanding different types of data (quantitative vs. qualitative).
- Sampling methods and data collection techniques.

Subject 2: Regression Analysis

- Linear Regression Models
- Simple linear regression: concepts, interpretation, and assumptions.
- Diagnostics and goodness-of-fit measures.

Subject 3: Probability

- Basic Probability Concepts
- Probability rules and their applications.
- Random variables and expectations.

Subject 4: Multivariate analysis

- Multivariate analysis
- Cluster analysis
- Principal component analysis
- Multiple regression
- Structural equation modelling

Evaluation system and criteria

The examination consists of a written test.

Bibliography and resources

1. Materials to consult



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Notes written by the instructor are available in Italian (part of the notes are also available in English).