



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Behavioral Economics For Decision Making

2021-2-F6302N027

Learning objectives

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Contents

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Detailed program

1. Reasoning, affect and gut feelings: decision making is also determined by emotional and _____

2. Social context and group decisions: the social and organizational context variables constraining ____

3. Conflicts and negotiations in public organizations: the phenomenology and dynamics of _____

Cultural variables of reasoning and conflicts.

4. Improving decisions in public policies and services: how to discount the psychological processing of the _____

5. Decision making in international relations: how the models of reasoning and decision making can _____

Prerequisites

None

Teaching methods

Lectures and exercises

Assessment methods

written exam

Textbooks and Reading Materials

1. Gigerenzer, G. (2007). *Gut Feelings*. London: Penguin.

2. Bonini, N., Del Missier, F. e Rumiati, R. (2008). *Psicologia del Giudizio e della Decisione*. Bologna: Il Mulino. or
Plous, S. (1993) *The Psychology of Judgment and Decision Making*, New York: McGraw-Hill.

3. Thaler, R. and Sunstein, C. (2009) *Nudge: Improving Decisions about Health, Wealth and* ____

4. Kahneman, D. (2011). *Thinking Fast and Slow*. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux.

5. Viale R.. (2018) *Oltre il Nudge*. Bologna: Il Mulino. (2018)

Semester

I semester

Teaching language

English
