



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

### Metodi Statistici per la Valutazione dei Servizi Turistici

2324-2-F7601M007-F7601M036M

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#### Learning objectives

The course will give students the statistical tools for collecting, processing and analysing tourism data.

Students will have the tools to develop and learn the concepts and quantitative methods proposed during the course.

They will conduct basic research or surveys on issues related to the tourism sector.

They will be able to communicate in a critical and exhaustive research findings related to the tourism sector.

#### Contents

For the course of *Statistical methods for the evaluation of tourism services* the main methods for assessing the quality of services and related quantities (satisfaction, loyalty) will be introduced. The course will outline the models for the measurement of expected and perceived quality and, therefore, will focus on the methods to deal with the latent variables. The methodological part will be followed by the discussion and the resolution of case studies through the use of SPSS software.

- 1) Introduction to the course.
- 2) Item analysis
- 3) Servqual and possible extensions.
- 4) Methods of data reduction.
- 5) Logistic regression model.

## **Detailed program**

### **a) INTRODUCTION and ITEM ANALYSIS**

Veal (2018) Research methods for Leisure and Tourism, Pearson (Fifth edition), chapters 1, 2, 5, 10, 13

### **b) SERVQUAL**

Zeithaml, Parasuraman and Berry (1990 or others) , Delivering Quality Service - Balancing Customer Perceptions and Expectations, The Free Press, New York, chapters 1, 2, Appendix A.

### **c) LOGISTIC REGRESSION**

Agresti A. (2007) An Introduction to Categorical Data Analysis, John Wiley & Sons,

- Chap. 3 Generalized linear model, pag. 70-72

- Chap. 4 Logistic regression, pag. 99-106;110-113; 115-121

- Chap. 5 Building and Applying Logistic regression Models, pag.137-139; 141-143; 144-152;

- Chap. 6 Multicategory Logit Models, pag. 173-187

### **d) PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS**

Bartholomew D.J., Steele F., Moustaki I., Galbraith J.I., Analysis of Multivariate social science data, CRC Press (Second Edition), Chap 5

## **Prerequisites**

Knowledge of Descriptive Statistics.

## **Teaching methods**

The lessons will be frontal.

During the lectures, the topics explained will be dealt with from a theoretical point of view and through empirical cases using SPSS software.

## **Assessment methods**

The assessment of learning includes an individual test and a group project.

The individual test will evaluate the theoretical knowledge of the topics and will involve an oral or written examination (depending on the student's choice).

In the group project, students will demonstrate their understanding of the topics by conducting a survey and

analyzing the data using the SPSS software. The group project will involve creating a report and giving a presentation by the entire group.

## **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

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## **Semester**

Second semester

## **Teaching language**

English

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

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