

# Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2024-2025

# **Biometrics (1630019)**

**Course size** (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)

Credits 3.0 Study time 90 h

## Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2024-2025

A (semester 2) Dutch Kortrijk lecture

group work seminar

Lecturers in academic year 2024-2025

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# Offered in the following programmes in 2024-2025 crdts Bachelor of Science in Bioindustrial Sciences 3 A Linking Course Master of Science in Bioindustrial Sciences: Circular Bioprocesstechnology 3 A

#### Teaching languages

Dutch

#### Keywords

Multivariate data-analysis, multiple linear regression, non-linear regression, logistic regression, one-way and two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA).

# Position of the course

This course aims to make students familiar with the analysis of multivariate data by means of appropriate statistical techniques using modern statistical software.

#### Contents

Introduction to multivariate data-analysis:

- (1) **Multiple linear regression**: extension of the simple lineair regression model, least squares estimation and inference, modelling qualitative covariates, effect-modification, polynomial regression, residual analysis, model selection, model building, multicollinearity, detecting outliers, heteroscedasticity.
- (2) **ANOVA**: fixed effects and random effects one-way ANOVA, estimation and inference, residual analysis, multiple comparisons, multiple testing problem, Kruskal-Wallis test, fixed effects two-way ANOVA (with and without interaction), randomized block design.
- (3) Logistic regression: motivation, modelling a binary outcome, estimation and inference.
- (4) Non-linear regression: motivation, estimation and inference.

#### Initial competences

Students can only subscribe for this course if the courses "Statistical data analysis and experimental design" were completed in the second Bachelor year (or comparable).

#### Final competences

- 1 Understanding and recognizing the basic concepts of statistical inference and the general lineair model in the context of a practical data analysis.
- 2 Selecting an appropriate statistical technique for a data analysis given a research question.
- 3 Performing a statistical data analysis supported by statistical software.
- 4 Interpreting and having insight in the numerical results of a statistical data analysis.
- 5 Reporting the results of a statistical analysis in a clear fashion, with corresponding figures and tables, as is typically seen in the scientific literature.

#### Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

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#### Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

#### Teaching methods

Group work, Seminar, Lecture

#### Extra information on the teaching methods

Theory: lectures

**Exercises/practical session:** PC-labs in which datasets will be analyzed (linked to the theory) using modern statistical software. The students work under supervision.

#### Study material

Type: Syllabus

Name: Biometrics

Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty

Optional: no
Language : Dutch
Available on Ufora : Yes
Online Available : No
Available in the Library : No

Available through Student Association: No

#### References

http://udel.edu/~mcdonald/statintro.html

A. Field. *Discovering Statistics Using SPSS*. SAGE Publications Ltd.

B. Rosner. Fundamentals of biostatistics 5th ed, 2000, Duxbury, USA

Johnson, R. A. & Wichern, D. W. (2002). Applied Statistica Multivariate analysis (5th Ed.).

Upper Saddle River, N.J.: Prentice-Hall.

#### Course content-related study coaching

During the PC-labs the theoretical background is illustrated and applied to practical examples. Personal after appointment.

#### Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

# Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment

#### Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment

# Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Assignment

#### Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is not possible

#### Extra information on the examination methods

Periodic evaluation: written open book exam. The knowledge and understanding of the discussed statistical methods and the mathematical concepts underpinning them will be tested during a written exam.

The non-period aligned evaluation in the first exam period consist of a take-home work.

## Calculation of the examination mark

First and second examination period: periodic evaluation (counts for 75%)

Group work: global evaluation (writing a report, counts for **25%**)

To pass this course, the student must complete the exam and the take-home work. If not, the grades will be adjusted to 'failed'.

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