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Subject 11462 - Qualitative Analysis

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# **Subject**

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**Degree** Master's in Economics of Tourism: Monitoring and Evaluation

Credits 3

**Period** 2nd semester **Language of instruction** English

#### **Professors**

Lecturers	Office hours for students						
Lecturers	Starting time I	Finishing time	Day	Start date End date		Office / Building	
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#### Context

Qualitative Analysis Techniques is part of the specialization of Monitoring Techniques Applied to Tourism in the Master in Economics of Tourism: Monitoring and Evaluation (METME).

Qualitative Analysis Techniques course begins with a general introduction to qualitative techniques and then highlights the practical use of some important qualitative techniques in Tourism, including content analysis, interviews, focus groups and qualitative methodology used in order to be creative, stressing the advantages and disadvantages of each technique and their practical use in the tourism sector.

The student will learn and practice how to implement some of the most used qualitative techniques in order to obtain information in the tourism sector and which technique is useful in every particular context.

# Requirements

This subject does not have any requirements.

#### Skills

#### Specific

- \* CE7 To be able to collect, generate, process and analyse statistical data to support monitoring and evaluation activities
- \* CE8 To know and understand the diverse impact that different tourism development alternatives can have on social wellbeing (environment, health, equality of opportunities, etc.)

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#### Generic

\* CG2 - To develop an innovative capacity by applying the acquired knowledge to the resolution of problems in new environments related to the tourism sector

- \* CG3 To be able to formulate judgements that incorporate reflexions about the social and ethic responsibilities linked to the application of the acquired knowledge regarding the tourism system and its economic analysis
- \* CG7 To acquire specialized knowledge about the tourism system to make it possible to face challenges and provide solutions

#### **Basic**

\* You may consult the basic competencies students will have to achieve by the end of the Master's degree at the following address: <a href="http://estudis.uib.cat/master/comp\_basiques/">http://estudis.uib.cat/master/comp\_basiques/</a>

#### Content

Qualitative Analysis Techniques will develop the following subjects:

# Range of topics

- 1. Information production and analysis from qualitative social methodology
- 2. Uses and selection of qualitative techniques
- 3. Content analysis
- 4. Interviews
- 5. Focus Groups
- 6. Qualitative methodology for creativity: Brainstorming, Delphi,...

# Teaching methodology

In this paragraph in classroom activities and distance activities are described.

In order to stimulate students' autonomy and their personal work, Qualitative Analysis Technique is part of Campus Digital project, aimed to offer flexible and distance learning, which includes the use of ICT in higher education. Thus, through the Moodle platform the student will have online and distance communication with the professor, a schedule of news, and electronic documents and Internet links.

In-class work activities (0.72 credits, 18 hours)

Modality	Name	Typ. Grp.	Description	Hours
Theory classes	Lectures	Large group (G)	Through expository method (lectures) the professor will stablish the theoretical foundations, and will give practical examples of the techniques as well. Besides, for each of the themes, information about the advisable method of work and the material that the students have to work with will be offered.	6

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# **Syllabus**

Modality	Name	Typ. Grp.	Description	Hours
	!		Theoretical classes consist of 3 sessions of 2 hour each.	
Practical classes	In classroom practices	Large group (G)	Through problem solving and role playing, students will discover the advantages and limitations of some of the most popular qualitative techniques studied in the theoretical sessions.	8
			In classroom practices consist of 4 sessions of 2 hour each.	
Practical classes	Oral exposition	Large group (G)	Students will have to expose the report to the rest of the class. They will have to explain the specific qualitative technique, the problem they wanted to solve and the results obtained with it.	2
			The specific guidelines of the oral exposition will be presented in Aula Digital.	
Assessment	Final exam	Large group (G)	The final written exam will ask for some of the themes that have been explained during the lectures and practice classes.	2

At the beginning of the semester a schedule of the subject will be made available to students through the UIBdigital platform. The schedule shall at least include the dates when the continuing assessment tests will be conducted and the hand-in dates for the assignments. In addition, the lecturer shall inform students as to whether the subject work plan will be carried out through the schedule or through another way included in the Aula Digital platform.

### Distance education tasks (2.28 credits, 57 hours)

Modality	Name	Description	Hours
Individual self- study	Self-study of the themes	After the professor explanation of each of the themes, the student will have to expand on them. The professor will help the student putting forward the references they have to read.	15
Group self-study	Report	In groups, students will be asked to select one of the qualitative techniques exposed in class and to apply it to solve a problem. As a result of that, a report will have to be writen.	30
		The specific guidelines of this report will be presented in Aula Digital.	
Group or individual Practical application of a self-study qualitative technique		In groups or individually, students will select and describe one of the qualitative techniques and explain how they have applied it to solve a problem related to tourism.	12
		The specific guidelines of this oral exposition will be presented in Campus Extens.	
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# Specific risks and protective measures

The learning activities of this course do not entail specific health or safety risks for the students and therefore no special protective measures are needed.

# Student learning assessment

All the competences stablished in the subject will be assessed through different assessment methods. In the following table the typology (R: retrievable, NR: non-retrievable), the assessment criteria and its weight in the qualification are described.

# Frau en elements d'avaluació

In accordance with article 33 of Regulation of academic studies, "regardless of the disciplinary procedure that may be followed against the offending student, the demonstrably fraudulent performance of any of the evaluation elements included in the teaching guides of the subjects will lead, at the discretion of the teacher, a undervaluation in the qualification that may involve the qualification of "suspense 0" in the annual evaluation of the subject".

### In classroom practices

Modality Practical classes

Technique Oral tests (non-retrievable)

Description Through problem solving and role playing, students will discover the advantages and limitations of some of

the most popular qualitative techniques studied in the theoretical sessions. In classroom practices consist of 4

sessions of 2 hour each.

Assessment criteria Student oral participation will be promoted and assessed. Through the course the professor will spell out the

specific activities they are expected to do.

Final grade percentage: 15%

#### **Oral exposition**

Modality Practical classes

Technique Oral tests (non-retrievable)

Description Students will have to expose the report to the rest of the class. They will have to explain the specific

qualitative technique, the problem they wanted to solve and the results obtained with it. The specific

guidelines of the oral exposition will be presented in Aula Digital.

Assessment criteria In groups, students will expose the results of their project highlighting pros and cons of the selected technique

as well as the steps they followed to obtain the data.

Final grade percentage: 20%



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#### Final exam

Modality Assessment

Technique Short-answer tests (retrievable)

Description The final written exam will ask for some of the themes that have been explained during the lectures and

practice classes.

Assessment criteria The final exam will consist of short questions that could ask for concepts studied in theory and practice.

Final grade percentage: 25%

#### Report

Modality Group self-study

Technique Papers and projects (retrievable)

Description In groups, students will be asked to select one of the qualitative techniques exposed in class and to apply it to

solve a problem. As a result of that, a report will have to be writen. The specific guidelines of this report will

be presented in Aula Digital.

Assessment criteria The specific assessment criteria of this activity will be posted on Aula Digital.

Final grade percentage: 40%

# Resources, bibliography and additional documentation

### Basic bibliography

Dwyer, L., Gill, A. & Seetaran, N. (2012). *Handbook of Research Methods in Tourism. Quantitative and Qualitative Approaches*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing Limited.

### Complementary bibliography

Veal, A.J. (2006). Research Methods for Leisure and Tourism. A practical Guide (Third Edition). Harlow: Pearson Educational Limited.

Walle, A.H. (1997). Quantitative versus Qualitative Tourism Research. *Annals of Tourism Research*, 24(3), 524-536.

#### Other resources

Some key articles will be required for student reading. These articles will be selected allowing for the diversity and changing trends found in qualitative tourism research. This extra material could be found in Campus Extens.