

Research Skills

Academic Year: (2023 / 2024)

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Department assigned to the subject: Bioengineering Department

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Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits : 3.0

Year : 1 Semester : 2

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

None.

OBJECTIVES

The subject "Research Skills" aims to provide students with the necessary skills to be able to design and develop research projects in the biomedical field, as well as to adequately report their results. To this end, the student is trained in a series of skills and techniques, of an eminently practical nature, which are very necessary for field work in research, especially in the biomedical sector. This sector is characterized by a strong legal regulation of many aspects, especially those related to work with patients (clinical trials) or laboratory animals, and it is necessary to know this framework to be able to design and execute research projects in this field.

On the other hand, biomedical experimentation is characterized by a high biological variability in the results, which forces the analysis of the results to be carried out by means of biostatistical procedures, knowledge of which is absolutely necessary to be able to publish and validate results.

Another important aspect covered in the course is how to manage the innovative aspects of research work, in terms of intellectual property protection, possible entrepreneurship, etc.

Finally, at a very practical level, it is explained how to write research projects and how to structure and write scientific articles, within the high standards currently demanded by the scientific community.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- Applied Biostatistics
- Experimental design and epidemiology
- Application of biostatistics concepts to artificial intelligence techniques.
- Ethics in research. Good practices.
- Design of research projects
- Innovation, intellectual property and entrepreneurship.
- Introduction to clinical trials
- Introduction to biomedical research with laboratory animals.
- Writing scientific articles and responding to reviewers.
- Workshop on academic work without plagiarism, use of artificial intelligence chatbots, etc.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

AF3	Theoretical practical classes
AF5	Tutorship
AF6	Team work
AF7	Student individual work
AF8	Partial and final exams

Activity code	total #hours	presence #hours	% Student Presence
AF3	19,5	19,5	100%
AF5	1	1	100%
AF6	16	0	0%
AF7	36.5	0	0%
AF8	2	2	100%
TOTAL SUBJECT	75	22.5	30%

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

SE1	Participation in class
SE2	Individual or team works, or exams made during the course
SE3	Final exam

Evaluation system (%)	Weighting (%)
SE1	15
SE2	65
SE3	20

% end-of-term-examination: 20

% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 80

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