

IB150-15 Foundations of Data Analysis for Management

23/24

Department

Warwick Business School

Level

Undergraduate Level 1

Module leader

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Credit value

15

Module duration

10 weeks

Assessment

Multiple

Study location

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

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Module aims

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Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

Business Statistics:

Introduction to statistical analysis and modelling, data presentation, descriptive statistics, basic probability concepts, introduction to probability distributions, sampling methods, confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, introduction to regression.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Understand the importance of statistical methods for modern business practices, and be aware of the strengths and limitations of these methods.
- Be familiar with basic statistical concepts and specific techniques.
- Tackle real life quantitative problems and be able to convey results and discuss the issues involved.
- Problem solving skills..

Indicative reading list

- Siegel, A. (2016), "Practical business statistics", 7th edition, Academic Press. ISBN 9780128042502
- Favero, L. P. (2019), "Data science for business and decision making", Academic Press. ISBN 9780128112175
- Salkind, N. J. (2017), "Statistics for people who (think they) hate statistics", 6th edition, SAGE. ISBN 9781506361161
- Spiegelhalter, D. (2019), "The Art of Statistics: Learning from Data", Pelican. ISBN: 9780241398630
- Levitt, S and Dubner, S (2009). "Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything", Harper Perennial. ISBN: 978-0060731335

Subject specific skills

Apply basic quantitative tools, be aware of limitations.

Transferable skills

Use Excel for basic data analysis ranging from descriptive statistics to regression models.

Critical and logical thinking.

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Lectures	10 sessions of 1 hour (7%)
Seminars	9 sessions of 1 hour (6%)
Online learning (independent)	10 sessions of 1 hour (7%)
Private study	48 hours (32%)
Assessment	72 hours (48%)
Total	149 hours

Private study description

Private Study.

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Project	90%	65 hours	Yes (extension)
Participation	10%	7 hours	No

Assessment group R2

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Project	100%		Yes (extension)

Feedback on assessment

Markers comments uploaded to each student. Solutions to exam and markers comments put up on my.wbs.

Availability

Post-requisite modules

If you pass this module, you can take:

- IB122-15 Business Analytics

Courses

This module is Core optional for:

- Year 1 of UGEA-RN21 Undergraduate German and Business Studies