

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Statistics for Economists A - 57340

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HU Credits: 4

<u>Degree/Cycle:</u> 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Economics

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

<u>Teaching Languages:</u> Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

- 1. Statistical tools for describing and analyzing data, and in particular relationships between variables
- 2. The basics of probability
- 3. Sampling and estimation of parameters in the population.

Course/Module aims:

Providing basic knowledge in statistics and tools for statistical inference.

<u>Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:</u>

- 1. To describe and analyze a data file
- 2. To calculate probabilities
- 3. To estimate parameters in the population using a sample

<u>Attendance requirements(%):</u>

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Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Frontal teaching in the classroom and solving exercises.

Course/Module Content:

- * Descriptive statistics: graphical displays, measures for location and dispersion, measure for relative location, covariance, correlation.
- * Probability
- basic concepts, probability calculations, conditional probability, independence, complete probability, Bayes formula.
- One-dimensional random variable: general, binomial, Poisson, exponential, normal
- Two-dimensional random variable: joint distribution, conditional distribution, covariance, Pearson.
- * Sampling: definition, Markov inequality, Chebyshev inequality, the weak law of large numbers, the central limit theorem,
- * Estimation of population parameters

Required Reading:

None

<u>Additional Reading Material:</u>

- * Introduction to Statistics and Probability, Shmuel Zamir and Ruth Bate Marom, Open University Press (In Hebrew).
- * Introduction to Statistics without Statisticians, Ronit Eisenbach (In Hebrew).
- * Probability: Introduction to Probability and Statistics, Thelma Leviathan, Alona Raviv (In Hebrew).

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 70 % Presentation 0 % Participation in Tutorials 0 % Project work 0 % Assignments 5 % Reports 0 % Research project 0 % Quizzes 25 % Other 0 %

Additional information:

Each week an exercise will be given. At least 10 exercises must be submitted during the semester, the weight of the grade on the exercises will be 5% of the final grade, as a protective grade.

During the course there will be two exams. The weight of each exam will be 12.5% of the final grade, as a protective grade.

* The lessons will be recorded, and the lesson recordings will be available to all students at any time.