

Faculty of Medicine in Rijeka

**Curriculum
2021/2022**

For course

Biostatistics

Study program:	Medical Studies in English (R) University integrated undergraduate and graduate study
Department:	Department of Medical Physics and Biophysics
Course coordinator:	prof. dr. sc. Žauhar Gordana, prof. fizike i kemije
Year of study:	2
ECTS:	1.5
Incentive ECTS:	0 (0.00%)
Foreign language:	Possibility of teaching in a foreign language

Course information:

Biostatistics is a compulsory course on the second year of the Integrated Undergraduate and Graduate University Study of Medicine, with 15 hours of lectures and 15 hours of exercises. It is held during IV. Semester. Lectures are held in lecture hall number 9, and practical in the computer classroom at the Faculty of Medicine. The estimated duration of course is 7 weeks.

COURSE STRUCTURE Formal lectures: 15 hours Practicals: 15 hours Total hours: 30

The objective of the course is to teach students about statistical reasoning, when and how to apply and how to interpret the basic statistical tests. In this way students will develop the ability of quantitative approach to data gathering, analysis and interpretation within the fields of biological sciences and humanities, which is the necessary requirement for their professional development, ability to critically follow the scientific and technical literature and participate in its creation.

List of assigned reading:

Triola M.M, Triola M.F, Biostatistics for the Biological and Health Sciences, Pearson, 2018.

List of optional reading:

Dawson B, Trapp R.G, Basic & Clinical Biostatistics, McGraw-Hill, 2004.

Curriculum:**Student obligations:**

Students' obligations are course attendance and active participation in all practicals.

Exam (exam taking, description of the written/oral/practical part of the exam, point distribution, grading criteria):

Evaluation of students' work:

Students can obtain a total of 100 credits (a maximum of 70 credits during the course and a maximum of 30 credits on the final exam). Students are allowed to take the final exam if they acquire a minimum of 35 credits during the trimester.

Evaluation of Students' Work During the Course (Maximum 70 credits) a) Active participation during practicals (3 credits) b) Midterm exam (32 credits) c) Colloquium (35 credits)

The attendance at lectures and practicals is mandatory. If necessary, a student can be absent from 30% of the classes.

a) Active participation during seminars:

During the practicals student participation and dedication will be monitored. At the end of each practical, students are also given homework assignments. A maximum of 3 points is awarded through active participation. Activities scoring is done in the following way

number of correctly assigned homework assignments	credits
0	0
1	1
2	2
3	3

b) Midterm Exam (32 credits)

Students have to pass the written midterm exam (in form of a test consisting of 3 problem tasks). In order to pass the midterm exam students have to score at least 50% (16 credits)

c) Colloquium from practical (35 credits)

Practicals end up with a colloquium. The colloquium examines the resolution of statistical tasks in the computer program "Statistica". It is possible to collect up to 35 credits.

Final exam:

Students have to pass the written exam (in form of a test consisting of 29 questions, each containing 5 statements). In order to pass the written part of the exam students have to score at least 50% (15/29 correct answers).

Assessment of the written part of the final exam:

Number of correct answers	Credits
15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22	22
23	23
24	24
25	25
26	26
27	27
28	28
29	30

The ECTS grading system is defined by the following criteria:

A (5) – 90-100 credits B (4) – 75-89,9 credits C (3) – 60-74,9 credits D (2) – 50-59,9 credits

Other notes (related to the course) important for students:

Retaking the course: A student who acquires less than 35 credits during the course has failed the course and is graded with F and must retake the course BIOSATISTICS.

COURSE HOURS 2021/2022

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List of lectures, seminars and practicals:**EXAM DATES (final exam):**
