

Academic year 2016-17

Subject 11447 - Environmental Management

for Tourism Firms

Group 1, 1S

Teaching guide C Language English

## Subject identification

**Subject** 11447 - Environmental Management for Tourism Firms

Credits 0.72 de presencials (18 hours) 2.28 de no presencials (57 hours) 3 de totals (75

hours).

**Group** Group 1, 1S (Campus Extens)

**Teaching period** First semester **Teaching language** English

**Professors** 

#### Horari d'atenció als alumnes

Lecturers						
Lecturers	Starting time	Finishing time	Day	Start date	Finish date	Office
	12:00	13:00	Monday	26/09/2016	10/02/2017	DB125 - Cita
Matilde Morales Raya						previa por email
matilde.morales@uib.es	10:30	11:30	Wednesday	13/02/2017	17/07/2017	DB125 - Cita
						previa por email

### Contextualisation

This subject focuses on the main aspects of environmental management in the specific context of tourist firms, to provide knowledge about how to manage the environmental practices to gain a good fit with the stakeholders' expectations. The course combines theory and practice to provide students with not only an appreciation of the theoretical issues involved in the study of this field, but with a range of practical skills and tools which will enhance their value as potential practitioners.

## Requirements

## **Skills**

## Specific

- \* [CE5] Know the fundamentals and principles of management of the main intangible assets in the tourism sector and apply them to the achievement of a sustainable competitive advantage..
- \* [CE10] Ability to develop environmental audits, and assess the impacts that the tourism sector actions have on the environment..

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### Generic

\* [CG3] Know how to apply quality and environmental, economic and social management systems..

#### Transversal

- \* [CT2] Ability to organize and plan. [CT4] Information management skills..
- \* [CT1] Capacity for analysis and synthesis..

### Basic

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

### Content

### Theme content

Chapter 1. Environmental management fundamentals and goals

Principles and key concepts

Environmental management approaches

Tourism and environmental management

Environmental challenges in different tourism activities

Chapter 2. Environment and Organizations: Impacts

How do organizations impact the environment?

How does the environment impact the organizations? Pressures for environmental management

Chapter 3. Environmental management and firm performance

Managing risk and enhancing opportunities

Moving towards resource efficiency

Managing supply chain issues

Improving stakeholder communications

Chapter 4. Environmental management systems (EMS)

Advantages and disadvantages of a systems approach

ISO 14000 series and Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS)

A phases approach to EMS implementation

Accredited certification and verification

Chapter 5. Collecting, analysing and reporting on environmental information and data

## **Teaching methodology**

## In-class work activities

Name	Typ. Grp.	Description	Hours
Theory classes	Large group (G)	In-person class work activity	8
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Modality	Name	Typ. Grp.	Description	Hours
Practical classes	Practice classes	Medium group (M	I) In-person class work activity. Problems and cases studies solution	8
Assessment	Exam	Large group (G)	Type test exam	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 Campus Extens platform.

### Distance education work activities

Modality	Name	Description	Hours
Individual self- study	Individual self-study	Distante education work activity	40
Group self-study	Groups self-study	Distance education work activity. Problems and cases resolution	17

# 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

## Theory classes

Modality Theory classes

Technique Observation techniques (non-retrievable)

Description In-person class work activity

Assessment criteria

Final grade percentage: 10%

## **Practice classes**

Modality Practical classes

Technique Papers and projects (non-retrievable)

Description In-person class work activity. Problems and cases studies solution

Assessment criteria

Final grade percentage: 40%

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#### Exam

Modality Assessment

Technique Objective tests (retrievable)

Description Type test exam

Assessment criteria

Final grade percentage: 50%

### Individual self-study

Modality Individual self-study

Technique Objective tests (non-retrievable)
Description Distante education work activity

Assessment criteria Final grade percentage: 0%

## **Groups self-study**

Modality Group self-study

Technique Papers and projects (non-retrievable)

Description Distance education work activity. Problems and cases resolution

Assessment criteria Final grade percentage: 0%

## Resources, bibliography and additional documentation

## Complementary bibliography

Barrow C. 2006. Environmental Management for Sustainable Development. Routledge: New York. 2nd edition

Belcham A. 2015. Manual of Environmental Management. Routledge: New York

Brady J,Ebbage A, Lunn R. 2011. Environmental Management in Organizations: The IEMA Handbook. 2011 Earthscan: New York

## Other resources

Aragon-CorreaJA, Martin-Tapia I, Torre-RuizJM, (2015) "Sustainability issues and hospitality and tourism firms' strategies: Analytical review and future directions", International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management, 27(3), pp.498 - 522

Bansal P, y Bogner W. (2002): "Deciding on ISO 14001: Economics, Institutions and Context", Long Range Planning, 35, pp. 269-90.