



Academic year	2017-18
Subject	11478 - Environmental Impact of Tourism
Group	Group 1, 1S
Syllabus	A
Language	English

Subject

Name	11478 - Environmental Impact of Tourism
Credits	0.72 in-class (18 hours) 2.28 distance (57 hours) 3 total (75 hours).
Group	Group 1, 1S (Campus Extens)
Period	First semester
Language	English

Lecturers

Lecturers	Office hours for students					
	Starting time	Finishing time	Day	Start date	End date	Office
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Context

Negative impacts from tourism occur when the level of visitor use is greater than the environment's ability to cope with this use within the acceptable limits of change. Uncontrolled conventional tourism poses potential threats to many natural areas around the world. It can put enormous pressure on an area and lead to impacts such as soil erosion, increased pollution, discharges into the sea, natural habitat loss, increased pressure on endangered species and heightened vulnerability to forest fires. It often puts a strain on water resources, and it can force local populations to compete for the use of critical resources. It is therefore crucial to acquire knowledge about that for a sustainable management of the tourism activity

Requirements

There are not previous requisits required

Skills

Specific

- * Learn how to analyze the structure of tourist activities at all levels, taking into account the components of sustainable tourism development, diagnosing needs and opportunities as well as limitations and risks.
- * Learn the techniques that allow the development of tourism destinations and organizations in an international, complex and dynamic environment, to achieve a sustainable, integrative and innovative tourism management and promotion.
- * Command analytical and observational strategies developed from the usual methods of geographical research based on field trips, laboratory (scientific and computational), and concreteness in office work.



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Generic

- * Know the fundamentals and apply methodologies suitable for the analysis of the tourism sector..

Transversal

- * Ability to work in an interdisciplinary team.
- * 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

Block 1. Environmental problems caused by tourism

Block 2. Pollution caused by tourism activity. Water – contamination of drinking water, used by the tourism sector and making the most of recycled water

Block 3. Air transport and its environmental impact – acoustic contamination

Block 4. Connectivity versus isolation. Motorways versus conservation of the countryside

Block 5. The problem of seasonal tourism on the land and society

Teaching methodology

In-class work activities

Modality	Name	Typ. Grp.	Description	Hours
Theory classes		Large group (G)	Theoretical lectures to acquire the basics of the module	12
Practical classes		Medium group (M)	analysis of case studies	6

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



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Modality	Name	Description	Hours
Group or individual self-study		elaboration of a case study	57

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	Papers and projects (non-retrievable)
Description	Theoretical lectures to acquire the basics of the module
Assessment criteria	
Final grade percentage:	20% with minimum grade 5

Practical classes

Modality	Practical classes
Technique	Student internship dissertation (non-retrievable)
Description	analysis of case studies
Assessment criteria	
Final grade percentage:	30% with minimum grade 5

Group or individual self-study

Modality	Group or individual self-study
Technique	Papers and projects (non-retrievable)
Description	elaboration of a case study
Assessment criteria	
Final grade percentage:	50% with minimum grade 5

Resources, bibliography and additional documentation

Materials will be given or suggested during the lectures and practicals

