

Syllabus

Course Description

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Course Title	Managerial Economics for TSE
Course Code	30170
Course Title Additional	
Scientific-Disciplinary Sector	ECON-04/A
Language	Italian
Degree Course	Bachelor in Tourism, Sport and Event Management
Other Degree Courses (Loaned)	
Lecturers	Prof. Federico Boffa, FBoffa@unibz.it https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/economics- management/academic-staff/person/5799 Dott. Dimitri Storai, Dimitri.Storai@unibz.it https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/economics- management/academic-staff/person/46058
Teaching Assistant	
Semester	First semester
Course Year/s	2
СР	6
Teaching Hours	36
Lab Hours	18
Individual Study Hours	-
Planned Office Hours	18
Contents Summary	The course introduces students to the main themes of managerial economics, focusing on incentives and firms' strategies. We first cover price setting in monopolistic markets, analyzing price discrimination. We then move to oligopolistic and competitive markets, looking at prices and quality levels. We will finally study the determinants of firms' entry decisions in markets.



Course Topics	Market structure and market power
	2) Technology and production costs
	3) Monopoly power
	4) Price discrimination
	5) Oligopoly games
	6) Product Differentation
	7) Competitive strategies
	8) Dynamic games
	9) Entry deterrence
	10) Basics of contract theory
Keywords	Pricing strategies
	Competition
	Differentiation
	Entry
	Contract theory
Recommended Prerequisites	
Propaedeutic Courses	
Teaching Format	Lectures and exercise hours.
Mandatory Attendance	-
Specific Educational	Knowledge and understanding
Objectives and Learning	of enterprise choices in monopolies in terms of quality, quantity
Outcomes	and prices
	of strategic interaction models between firms in oligopolistic contexts
	of the role of network externalities in the digital economy
	the strategies of vertical and horizontal differentiation by firms
	the strategies of maintaining a dominant position by a firm
	of comparative advantages in the tourism destination sector
	of price and quality strategies in the destination
	economic policy instruments aimed at stimulating the development
	of tourist destinations
	the basic principles of supply and demand theory
	the theory of price formation
	the role of artificial intelligence and algorithms in pricing
	mechanisms
	the role of the state in the economy
	the fundamentals of monetary economics
	fundamentals of fiscal policy and budgeting



growth theory

the theory of cooperative games and collusive behaviour sectoral analysis tools for the sports and events industries of industrial policy tools related to the sports sector the effect of the organisation of sports shows and events on regional economic growth.

the quality strategies of accommodation facilities of the pricing strategies of accommodation facilities, using strategic interaction models derived from game theory.

of the horizontal differentiation strategies of accommodation facilities

of incentives in the internal organisations of accommodation facilities

of methods for evaluating externalities and public goods in the tourism and sports sector

economic policies for sustainable tourism

the concept of sustainability and its impact on regional development

the economic systems of tourism and sports enterprises the determinants of collaboration and system-building capacity between the various local tourism operators.

Ability to apply knowledge and understanding market analysis for the choice of products and markets on which to focus business activity

pricing criteria suited to the context

evaluation of the costs and benefits of maintaining a dominant position, and of choosing the most appropriate instruments for the eventual pursuit of the objective

analysis of the trade-off between price and product quality, and to understand the criteria on the basis of which to choose the level of quality appropriate to the context

ex post analysis of the effects of economic policies, both in traditional contexts (with limited data) and in innovative contexts (with big data)

economic sustainability analysis of current and prospective tourist destinations

impact analysis of public policies aimed at increasing the attractiveness of tourist destinations

ability to reason as an economist, i.e. using schemes and criteria



typical of economic analysis

ability to grasp the interaction between individual consumer and business choices and market equilibrium application of incentive theory to the relationship between incentives and consumer and business choices analysis of the effects of various economic and fiscal policy choices on the development of macroeconomic and microeconomic variables

evaluation of public policies to support high-level sports associations and support the organisation of events (from a policy maker perspective)

evaluation of the determinants of the financial sustainability of sports associations and event management companies (from a managerial perspective)

development of economic models for the sustainable development of tourism in the local area

planning and evaluation of macro- and micro-level economic development processes in the tourism sector

analysis of economic effects at local, regional and national level of economic policies relating to the tourism sector

drafting a sustainable tourism development plan (from the policy maker's perspective)

development of economic models for sustainable tourism development at local level

critical analysis of tourism policy instruments aimed at promoting local products, evaluating the effectiveness of the various instruments.

Autonomy of judgement

identify the most relevant variables to be used in making decisions in complex situations

report analytically and critically on information, empirical evidence and data to make appropriate economic-managerial decisions; evaluate the most suitable analysis tools, both quantitative and qualitative to assist decision-making;

adopt logical arguments and relate information and analytical tools to find solutions.

Communication skills

Achievement of this objective will be assessed by means of written

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	examinations, individual and group assignments and the final dissertation.
	Learning skills
	ability to find the information necessary to keep abreast of changes
	in the service sector in general and in the tourism, sports and
	events sector in particular;
	ability to analyse, critically evaluate and integrate data, information
	and experience;
	ability to develop possible solutions for economic and management
	problems in the operational contexts of reference to the graduates' occupational outlets.
Specific Educational	
Objectives and Learning	
Outcomes (additional info.)	
Assessment	Final exam (same for attending and non-attending students). It will be composed of review questions, exercises and cases.
Evaluation Criteria	In review questions, students will be assessed based on the extent to which they have learnt and understood the covered material In exercises, students will be tested on their ability to apply their knowledge within a formal framework-
	In cases, students will be tested on their ability to apply their
	knowledge in a non-structured framework
Required Readings	Pepall, L., Richards, D., & Norman, G. (2005). <i>Organizzazione industriale</i> . Milano: McGraw-Hill.
Supplementary Readings	
Further Information	
Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Decent work and economic growth