

# Syllabus

for course at first level

**Multivariate Methods**  
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**7.5 Higher Education**  
**Credits**  
**7.5 ECTS credits**

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| <b>Course code:</b>      | ST304G   |
| <b>Valid from:</b>       | Autumn 2007  |
| <b>Date of approval:</b> | 2007-04-25   |
| <b>Department</b>        | Department of Statistics   |
| <b>Subject</b>           | Statistics   |
| <b>Specialisation:</b>   | G2E - First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for BA/BSc |

## Decision

This syllabus was approved by the Board of the Department of Statistics on April 25, 2007.

## Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Statistical Theory, Advanced course, 5 credits or Statistical Theory III, first level, 7,5 ECTS credits or Statistical Theory with Applications, 15 ECTS credits or equivalent.

## Course structure

| Examination code | Name                 | Higher Education Credits |
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| 11ME             | Multivariate methods | 7.5                      |

## Course content

The course consists of one course unit:

### 1. Multivariate Methods

The course gives an introduction to some of the most important multivariate methods. The following concepts are treated more thoroughly: Principal components, exploratory and confirmatory factor analysis, structural equation models, discriminant analysis, logistic regression, canonical correlation and cluster analysis. There will be some deeper studies of factor analysis. Matrix algebra is part of the course. An orientation of multivariate normal distribution is presented. Hotelling's T<sup>2</sup>-test is also treated in the course and there will also be some examples of types of multivariate charts.

The content of the course gives extended knowledge of great use in applications of statistical methods in several fields.

## Learning outcomes

After completing the course the student should be able to:

- give an account of the most common multivariate methods
- use statistical software to analyse data with some multivariate methods and interpret print-outs

## Education

Teaching forms may consist of lectures, exercises, seminars, computer sessions and tutoring. Some compulsory attendance and other mandatory elements may be required.

### **Forms of examination**

a. Examination will be done by assessing the learning outcomes. Examination will comprise a written test and written reports of compulsory software exercises.

b. Grading is done according to a seven-point scale related to the specified learning outcomes:

A = Excellent

B = Very Good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Adequate

Fx = Inadequate

F = Totally Inadequate

c. The assessment criteria for the course will be distributed at the beginning of the course.

d. In order to pass the course, the grade E or higher is required on the course unit.

e. Students who receive the grade Fx or F on an examination are entitled to at least four additional examinations to achieve the lowest grade E as long as the course is still given.

Students who receive the grade E or higher on an examination may not retake this examination in order to attempt to achieve a higher grade. Students who receive the grade Fx or F on an examination twice by the same examiner are entitled to request that a different examiner be appointed to set the grade of the examination. Such a request must be in writing and sent to the head of the department. Here, the term examination denotes all compulsory elements of the course.

### **Interim**

Students can request examination in accordance with this syllabus up to three times during a period of two years after the course is no longer given. Such a request must be in writing and sent to the head of the department. Here, the term examination denotes all compulsory elements of the course.

### **Misc**

The course has previously been given under the course code ST3120.

### **Required reading**

The course literature is described in an appendix to the syllabus.