



Code-Course	061104 - Geography and Tourism				
Year	1º	Credits	6 cr ECTS		
Thematic Area	Tourism and Territory		Course Type	Basic Subject	Training
In-class hours	48 hours	Teacher-led learning hours	48 hours	Individual work hours	54 hours

BRIEF COURSE DESCRIPTION

This subject introduces the study of the spatial dimension of tourism. Such dimension becomes the starting point to understand the connections and complexity that take place within the economic, social and environmental frameworks.

In this subject, students will study tourism considering offer and demand and from that perspective, they will be able to understand the concept of spatial tourism and its different components. We will also learn about what characterizes the implementation of tourism in a given destination as well as its environmental, social and economic impacts.

This subject will provide students with a critical and analytical spirit to understand the impacts of tourism in spaces of various scales; it also sets the basis to acquire theoretical knowledge to be able to identify the most adequate methods and tools in spatial planning.

Keywords: Tourism space, tourist flows, tourism resources, impact, sustainability, spatial planning.

BASIC SKILLS

BS01 – Students must demonstrate knowledge and understanding in a study field based on secondary school and that relies on advanced textbooks and includes some aspects that imply knowledge about the vanguard of it.

GENERAL SKILLS

GS01- Evaluate the social and environmental impact of actions in his or her field, sustainability.

SPECIFIC SKILLS



SS01- Understand the principles of tourism and the importance of its socio-cultural and environmental impact.

SS12- Identify, increase the value of, and manage cultural and natural heritage for tourism use.

SS13- Manage tourism spaces and destinations.

ACADEMIC CONTENTS

Part 1

Introduction to the geography of tourism. Conceptual aspects
The tourism space

Part 2

Introduction: Basic concepts of tourist destinations in the world
Spain as a tourist destination
Catalonia, as a tourist destination
Europe: tourism outbound and inbound areas worldwide
Asia and Pacific
Africa
America
Polar zones

LEARNING METHODOLOGY

The learning methodologies planned for this subject contemplate different activities that contribute to develop the skills related to this course. Some of the learning activities that will be developed are the following:

- Lectures
- Case studies
- Discussions
- Practical exercises
- Problem-based learning

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM



The assessment system measures the student's achievement of learning outcomes regarding the subject's competences and contents.

Students may choose continuous assessment or single assessment:

Continuous Assessment: the teaching-learning process is assessed by a continuous monitoring of the work done by the students throughout the course and a final individual examination. Students must attend classes in order to be assessed by continuous assessment.

Single Assessment: for those students who cannot come to class regularly, they can choose to be assessed by single assessment. The teaching-learning process is assessed by means of the assessment of all activities and in-person individual examination at the end of the course.

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