

Syllabus

Course description

Course title	Preparatory course in Mathematics – Mathematics for Economists TSE
Course code	30152
Scientific sector	SECS-S/06
Degree	Tourism, Sport and Event Management
Semester and academic year	25.09 – 29.09.2023
Year	1 st year
Credits	-
Modular	No
Total lecturing hours	20
Total lab hours	-
Total exercise hours	-
Attendance	recommended, but not required
Prerequisites	not required
Course page	https://www.unibz.it/en/faculties/economics-management/bachelor-tourism-sport-event-management/course-offering/?academicYear=2023
Specific educational objectives	<p>The course refers to the educational activities chosen by the student and belongs to the scientific area of Statistics-Mathematics. It is directed towards 1st year students and has two broad objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Refresh mathematical knowledge 2) Prepare for the course "Mathematics for Economists"
Lecturer	<p>Dr. Benjamin Weißing E-mail: Benjamin.Weissing@unibz.it Campus Bruneck- Brunico, 1st Floor, Room 1.11; https://www.unibz.it/it/faculties/economics-management/academic-staff/person/35796-benjamin-weissing</p>
Scientific sector of the lecturer	SECS-S/06
Teaching language	English
Office hours	https://www.unibz.it/en/timetable/?department=26&degree=13009%2C13134
Lecturing assistant	-
Teaching assistant	-
List of topics covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sets & Operations on Sets • Functions • Numbers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Natural numbers ○ Real number

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combinatorics • Polynomials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Expanding and factorizing algebraic expressions • Equations & Inequalities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Solving linear and quadratic functions • Visualisation of Functions (plotting graphs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sketching graphs of elementary real functions like absolute value, quadratic and exponential functions ○ Solving systems of linear inequalities in two variables graphically
Teaching format	Lectures and moderated discussions.
Learning outcomes	<p><u>Knowledge and understanding:</u> Basic mathematical knowledge will be revisited and consolidated, familiarity with elementary solution procedures (e.g., for quadratic equations or defining an equation for a straight line) will be generated.</p> <p><u>Applying knowledge and understanding:</u> With elementary examples from economic theory, a basic understanding for the necessity of mathematical modeling in economics is aimed for.</p> <p><u>Making judgments:</u> The ability to make fundamental distinctions in Mathematics (linear vs. nonlinear, first order vs. higher order etc.) is aimed for. Moreover, a first intuition for quantitative vs. qualitative models should be provided.</p> <p><u>Communication skills:</u> Basic abilities to apply a mathematical language in an economical framework will be aimed for. The students will be challenged to discuss with the professor and among each other about mathematical constructions.</p> <p><u>Learning skills:</u> Prepares for the course "Mathematics for Economists" requiring a solid understanding of mathematical concepts.</p>
Assessment	Informal assessment: tests at the beginning and at the end of the course
Assessment language	English
Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks	No marks/grades.
Required readings	No required reading.
Supplementary readings	Will be announced at the beginning of the course.