



# SYLLABUS Academic year 2023-2024

# 1. Information regarding the programme

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1.1. Higher education institution	Babeş-Bolyai University
1.2. Faculty	Faculty of Business
1.3. Department	Business
1.4. Field of study	Business Administration
1.5. Study cycle	Bachelor
1.6. Study programme / Qualification	Business Administration in Hospitality Services

#### 2. Information regarding the course

2.1. Name of the course	Scientific Research Methodology		
2.2. Code	ILE0093		
2.3. Lecture coordinator	Associate Professor Dr. Larissa-Margareta Bătrâncea		
2.4. Seminar coordinator	Associate Professor Dr. Larissa-Margareta Bătrâncea		
2.5. Year of study 3 2.6. Semester I	2.7. Type of evaluation C 2.8. Type of course Elective		

#### 3. Total estimated time (hours/semester of teaching activities)

3.1. Hours per w	veek	3	Of which: 3.2. lecture	2	3.3. seminar	1
3.4. Total hours	in the curriculum	42	Of which: 3.5. lecture	28	3.6. seminar	14
Time allotment:						hours
Learning using o	course books, course supp	ort, ret	ferences, course notes			14
Additional docu	mentation (in libraries, on	electr	onic platforms, field doo	cumen	tation)	14
Preparation for s	seminars/labs, homework,	paper	s, portfolios and essays			14
Tutorship					2	
Evaluations				4		
Other activities Preparing the final exam				10		
3.7. Total individual study hours				58		
3.8. Total hours per semester				100		
3.9. Number of ECTS credits				4		

## 4. Prerequisites (if necessary)

4.1. curriculum	Not applicable.
4.2. competencies	Not applicable.

## **5.** Conditions (if necessary)

5.1. for the lecture	Lecture room with computer and beamer.
5.2. for the seminar /lab activities	Seminar room with computer and beamer.





## 6. Specific competencies acquired

Professional competencies	<ul> <li>PC2. Business environment research for substantiation of business decisions</li> <li>PC2.1. Defining, classifying and explaining business research methods</li> <li>PC2.5. Analysing, selecting and validating the business environment research methods according to the specific requirements of the decision-making system</li> </ul>
Transversal competencies	TC2. Identifying the roles and responsibilities in a multispecialty team and implementing various relational techniques and efficient teamwork

# 7. Objectives of the course (outcome of the acquired competencies)

7.1. General objectives of the course	<ul> <li>Fathoming basic concepts and rules of the scientific research theory and research methods used in practice</li> <li>Grounding the stages of scientific research, collecting data and achieving the proposed goal by completing results and formulating conclusions</li> </ul>
7.2. Specific objectives of the course	• Acquiring general knowledge necessary to use modern methods of documentation in order to integrate theoretical concepts into research.

#### 8. Content

8.1	. Lecture	Teaching method	Remarks
1.	General aspects regarding scientific research	interactive discussion, questioning	1 lecture
2.	<ul> <li>Stages in writing a scientific paper</li> <li>The creative process</li> <li>Choosing the research topic</li> <li>Determining the central idea</li> <li>Formulating research hypotheses</li> </ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture
3.	<ul> <li>Documentation</li> <li>Searching and selecting documentation sources</li> <li>Assessing and ranking documentation sources</li> <li>Using documentation sources</li> </ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture
4.	Documentation • Taxonomy of documentation sources • Principles of storing scientific data	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture
5.	<ul><li>Writing a scientific paper</li><li>The drafting plan</li><li>The structure of the scientific paper</li></ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture





<ul> <li>6. Writing and presenting a scientific paper</li> <li>The process of scientific writing</li> <li>Presenting a scientific paper</li> </ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul> <li>7. The process of scientific research</li> <li>The origins of scientific research</li> <li>Qualitative and quantitative in scientific research</li> <li>The falsifiability criterion introduced by Popper</li> <li>Sampling</li> </ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul> <li>8. Methods of scientific research</li> <li>• The case study</li> </ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul><li>9. Methods of scientific research</li><li>• The interview</li></ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul><li>10. Methods of scientific research</li><li>• The experiment</li></ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul><li>11. Methods of scientific research</li><li>• The survey</li></ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul> <li>12. Survey techniques</li> <li>The questionnaire</li> <li>Types of questions</li> <li>Scales</li> <li>Scale internal consistency</li> </ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul><li>13. Data analysis</li><li>Qualitative analysis</li><li>Quantitative analysis</li></ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
<ul><li>14. Ethics in scientific research</li><li>Plagiarism</li><li>Using false data</li></ul>	interactive discussion, questioning, heuristic conversation	1 lecture	
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8.2. Seminar		Teaching method		Remarks
			1	seminar
	Stages in writing a scientific paper			
• The creat	• The creative process			
Choosing	g the research topic	exercise	1	seminar
• Determin	ning the central idea			
• Formulat	ing research hypotheses			
3. Documentati	on			
Searchin	g and selecting documentation			
sources		exercise	1	seminar
• Assessin	g and ranking documentation	exercise	1	seminar
sources				
	cumentation sources			
4. Documentati				
	ny of documentation sources	exercise	1	seminar
-	s of storing scientific data			
5. Writing a sci				
• The draft		exercise	1	seminar
• The struc	cture of the scientific paper			
	presenting a scientific paper			
-	ess of scientific writing	exercise	1	seminar
	ng a scientific paper			
_	of scientific research			
0	ins of scientific research			
-	ve and quantitative in scientific			
research		exercise	1	seminar
	fiability criterion introduced by			
Popper				
Sampling				
	cientific research	exercise	1	seminar
• The case	·			
9. Methods of s	cientific research	exercise	1	seminar





• The interview	W		
10. Methods of scientific research • The experiment		exercise	1 seminar
11. Methods of scient • The survey		exercise	1 seminar
<ul> <li>12. Sampling techniq</li> <li>The questions</li> <li>Types of questions</li> <li>Scales</li> <li>Scale internal</li> </ul>	naire estions	exercise	1 seminar
-	-		1 seminar
<ul> <li>14. Ethics in scientific research</li> <li>Plagiarism</li> <li>Using false data</li> </ul>		exercise	1 seminar
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# 9. Corroborating the content of the course with the expectations of the epistemic community, professional associations and representative employers within the field of the program

The course content is according to international standards of scientific research and it comprises the necessary knowledge aimed at developing bachelor and master theses.





#### **10.Evaluation**

#### • the same evaluation criteria hold for all exam sessions

Type of activity	10.1 Evaluation criteria	10.2 Evaluation methods	10.3 Percentage in the grade (%)
10.4. Lecture	<ul> <li>Acquiring and understanding the concepts learned</li> </ul>	Project	60%
10.5. Seminar/lab activities	• Acquiring and understanding the concepts learned during lectures	Test and bonuses during the semester	40%
10.6. Minimum performance standard			
Developing projects based on concepts learned			

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