SUBJECT TEACHING GUIDE

339 - Biomathematics

Master's Degree in Mathematics and Computing

Academic year 2023-2024

1. IDENTIFYING DATA					
Degree	Master's Degree in Mathematics and Computing			Type and Year	Optional. Year 1
Faculty	Faculty of Sciences				
Discipline					
Course unit title and code	339 - Biomathematics				
Number of ECTS credits allocated	3	Term		Semester based (2)	
Web					
Language of instruction	Spanish	English Friendly	No	Mode of delivery	Face-to-face

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3.1 LEARNING OUTCOMES
- Knowledge of mathematical models of interest in physiology, neurobiology and cancer research.
- Knowledge of analytical and computational methods involved in the analysis of mathematical models in biology

4. OBJECTIVES
The main goal is the study of mathematical models of interest in biology. In most cases, differential equations will be the main mathematical tool.

6. COURSE ORGANIZATION

CONTENTS	
1	Action potential in nerve cells: the Hodking-Huxley model. Applications in physiology and neurophysiology.
2	Stochastic description of diffusion processes. Random walk. Models of neurotransmitter release.
3	Free boundary problems in biology. Models of tumoral growth,

7. ASSESSMENT METHODS AND CRITERIA

Description	Type	Final Eval.	Reassessn	%
Computer lab assignments	Others	No	Yes	100,00
TOTAL				100,00

Observations

Observations for part-time students

Part time students will be given the option to follow the computer practice remotely (the qualifications are based on these computer exercises)

8. BIBLIOGRAPHY AND TEACHING MATERIALS

BASIC

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