Course Descriptions None 2019-2020

Course Title	Writing a Master's Thesis (BISS)
Course Code	EBS4040
ECTS Credits	5,0
Assessment	Pass / Fail

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3	13-1-2020	24-1-2020	C				

Level	Advanced
Coordinator	Roselinde Kessels For more information:r.kessels@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	The objective of the skills training is to successfully start working on your master thesis and plan the road ahead so that we can assign a thesis supervisor to your thesis project. After having completed the skills training you should have a clear idea on: * The research topic of your master thesis; * The research question that you will investigate; * The research approaches that you can use to collect/analyze data and/or to develop a decision making tool; * The specific quantitative methods required to realize the research project.
Description	For this purpose, the skills training consists of two key elements: 1. Developing a research proposal. This can be done through literature and self-study or consultation with a potential thesis supervisor; 2. Lectures that provide you with more information about: * Writing a master thesis in general, e.g., how can you find a topic, what is a typical structure of academic/industrial report, collecting data; * Quality standards in academic/industrial report writing; * Approaches in academic research, e.g., empirical studies and validation, modelling, simulations, proof techniques, policy/protocol development, algorithm design, complexity analysis, surveys; * Ethics aspects and scientific integrity.
Literature	
Prerequisites	
Keywords	
Teaching methods	PBL / Lecture / Coaching
Assessment methods	Participation / Presentation
Evaluation in previous academic year	For the complete evaluation of this course please click http://iwio-sbe.maastrichtuniversity.nl/rapporten.asp?referrer=codeUM

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation

Master Business Intelligence and Smart Services	Thesis