

# Course Descriptions Master 2020-2021

Course Title Business Analysis  
 Course Code EBC4104  
 ECTS Credits 6,5  
 Assessment Whole/Half Grades

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	31-8-2020	16-10-2020		X		X	
4	1-2-2021	26-3-2021		X		X	

Level Advanced  
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 Language of instruction English

Goals Knowledge of crucial theoretical tools for analysing the data and managerial decision making. Ability to translate a verbal fuzzy description of a business problem into the mathematical model.

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1. Forecasting
2. Regression analysis
3. Time series
4. Linear programming
5. Integer linear programming
6. Simulations
7. Multiobjective optimization

Besides, students learn how to read manuscripts on the level of current scientific standards, and give presentations using the advanced quantitative reasoning in managerial decision making.

Literature J.E. Hanke and D.W. Wichern, Business forecasting, International Edition, Pearson Education.  
 C.T. Ragsdale, Managerial Decision Modeling, Thomson South-Western.  
 Research papers.

Prerequisites TRANSITIONAL REGULATION (EBC4104):  
 Only for students who started one of the following programmes/specialisations prior to academic year 2020/21:  
 \* Master Business Research - No specialisation (Note: only if you are taking "Information Management and Business Intelligence" disciplinary courses!)  
 \* Master International Business - Information Management and Business Intelligence  
 Education (last opportunity in 2020/21) + Exam/Resit (last opportunity in 2021/22)  
 NOTE: You may replace this course with EBC4264

Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Assignment / Papers / Groupwork / Research

Assessment methods Participation / Written Exam / Assignment

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

Transitional Regulations	See prerequisites
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