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Course unit English denomination	Bayesian Data Analysis and Computation	
Teacher in charge (if defined)	Brunero LiseoAndrea Tancredi	
Teaching Hours	18	
Number of ECTS credits allocated	3	
Course period	05/2025-06/2025	
Course delivery method	 ☑ In presence □ Remotely □ Blended 	
Language of instruction	English	
Mandatory attendance	 ☑ Yes (100% minimum of presence, apart from exceptional absences that must be justify in advance) □ No 	
Course unit contents	 Prior distributions for Bayesian Inference: Objective vs. Subjective Posterior simulation and Monte Carlo methods Markov Chain Monte Carlo and other computational methods Prediction, Model Selection and Testing MCMC in practice: linear models, generalized linear models and other case Mixture models and hierarchical models Approximate Bayesian Computation and sequential Monte Carlo methods 	
Learning goals	Participants will learn posterior simulation techniques using Monte Carlo methods. They will understand and implement Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) methods for Bayesian analysis, conducting prediction, model selection, and testing. The course will cover practical applications of MCMC in linear and generalized linear models, as well as mixture and hierarchical models. Additionally, participants will gain insights into Approximate Bayesian Computation and sequential Monte Carlo methods for complex models.	
Teaching methods	LecturesLaboratories	
Course on transversal, interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary skills	□ Yes □ No	
Available for PhD students from other courses	 ☑ Yes ☑ No Students from other PhD courses may be admitted subject to CV evaluation and until the maximum number of students has been reached 	



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Prerequisites (not mandatory)		
Examination methods (in applicable)	None	
Suggested readings	•	Course material available from the instructors
Additional information		