



## IDENTIFYING DATA

### (\*)Redes Sociais e Económicas

Subject	(*)Redes Sociais e Económicas			
Code	V05M145V01323			
Study programme	(*)Máster Universitario en Enxeñaría de Telecomunicación			
Descriptors	ECTS Credits	Choose	Year	Quadmester
	5	Optional	2nd	1st
Teaching language	Spanish English			
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General description	Social and Economic networks tackles the dynamic and structural study of networks of relation between agents that arise in the fields of the telecommunication, the economy and the sociology. They study , in particular, dynamic models of diffusion of information, of contagion, of strategic balance and of training of coalitions. The theoretical contents apply to a practical case of study.			

## Competencies

Code	
A1	CB1 The knowledge and understanding needed to provide a basis or opportunity for being original in developing and/or applying ideas, often within a research context.
A3	CB3 Students must integrate knowledge and handle complexity of formulating judgments based on information that was incomplete or limited, including reflections on social and ethical responsibilities linked to the application of their knowledge and judgments.
B4	CG4 The capacity for mathematical modeling, calculation and simulation in technological centers and engineering companies, particularly in research, development and innovation tasks in all areas related to Telecommunication Engineering and associated multidisciplinary fields.
B8	CG8 The ability to apply acquired knowledge and to solve problems in new or unfamiliar environments within broader and multidiscipline contexts, being able to integrate knowledge.
C26	CE26/TE3 Ability to understand and know to exploit the processes of training and dissemination of information in social networks, applying them to the improvement of Internet
C27	CE27/TE4 Ability to design and manage distributed systems based on learning and incentive

## Learning outcomes

Expected results from this subject	Training and Learning Results
Understand the static and dynamic phenomena that explain the structure of the social networks	B4 C26
Know how to analyse the mechanisms of training of networks in strategic terms	B4 B8 C26 C27
Know how to model and apply to real data the processes of diffusion of information in social networks	A1 A3 C26 C27

Know how apply the procedures of structural and dynamic analysis of the networks to analyse complex systems in the technological fields, biological, economic and social.	A1 A3 B4 B8 C26 C27
Know how to use the dynamics of learning in networks to characterise phenomena	A1 A3 B4 C27

## Contents

Topic	
1. Basic models	To. Empirical evidence b. Random networks c. Descriptive parameters, centrality and importance d. Scaling laws
2. Training of networks	To. Random models: static training *b. Random models: dynamic training *c. Strategic training: stability, efficiency and incentives
3. Diffusion and learning in social networks	To. Simple diffusion *SIR, *SIS and other *b. Learning and reinforcement in networks *c. Games in networks: *complementos and strategic substitutes
4. Applications	a. Recommendations/punctuations b. Virality c. Origins of rumours d. Trending topics d. Meritocracy. Identification of experts and leaders

## Planning

	Class hours	Hours outside the classroom	Total hours
Projects	14	56	70
Master Session	14	35	49
Jobs and projects	1	2	3
Troubleshooting and / or exercises	1	2	3

\*The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

## Methodologies

	Description
Projects	Development of a practical project of analysis and modeling of a network of diffusion: technological, social, biological or economic. It will consist in the structural and dynamic explanation of the observable phenomena in the data that describe the network.
Master Session	Synthetic exposition in the classroom of the basic concepts that support the subject.

## Personalized attention

Methodologies	Description
Master Session	*Tutorización Personalised on the concepts and technical of analysis of the networks of diffusion of information and of relations. Support and guide to the realisation of the practical project of the students.

## Assessment

	Description	Qualification	Training and Learning Results		
			A1	B4	C26
Jobs and projects	Evaluation of the technical hypotheses, methods of analysis, results and contributions of the project realised.	50	A3	B8	C27
Troubleshooting and / or exercises	Correction of the exercises proposed. They will deliver by writing.	50	A1	B4	C26
			A3	B8	C27

## Other comments on the Evaluation

We leave to discretion of the students two methods of alternative evaluation in the subject: continuous evaluation and single evaluation. The continuous evaluation will consist in the realisation of a project (50% of the qualification) and in the resolution written of problems along the course (50% of the qualification). The single evaluation will consist in the realisation of a final examination writing (60% of the qualification) and in the development of a practical project (40% of the

qualification) that will be due before the last day of the official period of examinations.

The students will choose one or another modality of evaluation in the moment in that the project is announced. They will be considered not presented in case no explicit election is made at in this moment. Those who do not pass the subject at the earliest opportunity of the announcement have of a second opportunity in the month of July in which his knowledge will be tested with a written examination or his project will be assessed again if it had been improved or modified. The weights of each one of the tests (examination and project) will be the same that in the ordinary period of evaluation according to the modality that had chosen.

The qualification of the test has only effects in the academic course in that they were awarded, with independence of the itinerary of evaluation chosen.

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### **Sources of information**

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R. Durrett, **Random Graph Dynamics**,

D. Easley, J. Kleinberg, **Networks, Crowds, and Markets: Reasoning About a Highly Connected World**,

G. Grimmett, **Percolation**, 2<sup>a</sup>,

S. Janson, T. Luczak, A. Rucinski, **Random Graphs**,

R. Meester and R. Roy, **Continuum Percolation**,

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### **Recommendations**