Subject Description Form

Subject Code	APSS339							
Subject Title	Statistics for Human Service Professionals							
Credit Value	3							
Level	3							
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Nil							
Assessment Methods	100%Continuous AssessmentIndividual AssessmentGroup Assessment1.Quiz50 %2.Written Assignments50 %							
Objectives	 To enable students to: 1. know the different uses of statistics; 2. understand and interpret statistics in real life situations; 3. implement basic statistical analyses in the commonly used software SPSS 							
Intended Learning Outcomes (Note 1)	 Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: A. know how to operate the basics of SPSS; B. know how to read and understand reports that have basic statistical analyses; C. know the uses of commonly used statistical tests 							
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus (Note 2)	 Introduction a. Basic concepts in statistics Descriptive Statistics a. Describing data: graphs and tables b. Describing data: summary measures Inferential Statistics a. Probability and probability distributions b. Sampling and sampling distribution c. Estimation d. Fundamentals of hypothesis testing Parametric and Non-parametric tests a. t-test and ANOVA b. correlations c. chi-square 							
	6. Multivariate Analysis and Statistical Control							

Please read the notes at the end of the table carefully before completing the form.

Teaching/Learning Methodology	Lecturing, computer workshops and take-home exercises								
(Note 3)									
Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)						
Outcomes			a	b	c	d	e		
(Note 4)	1.Quiz	50 %							
	2. Written Assignments	50 %							
	Total	100 %							
	Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes: The quiz part assesses intended learning outcome 2 and 3; the written assignment part								
Student Study	Class contact:								
Effort Required	Lecture 28 Hrs								
	Seminar					14 Hrs			
	Other student study effort: • Self-study 56 Hrs.								
	 Assignments 	56 Hrs.							
	Total student study effort					154 Hrs.			
Medium of Instruction	English								
Medium of Assessment	English								
Reading List and References	Recommended Textbook Agresti, Alan and Barbara Finlay. (2009). Statistical Methods for the Social Sciences. Upper Saddle River, N.J. : Person / Prentice Hall. Diekhoff, G. (1996). Basic statistics for the social and behavioral sciences. Upper Saddle River, N.J.: Prentice Hall.								

Note 1: Intended Learning Outcomes

Intended learning outcomes should state what students should be able to do or attain upon completion of the subject. Subject outcomes are expected to contribute to the attainment of the overall programme outcomes.

Note 2: Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus

The syllabus should adequately address the intended learning outcomes. At the same time over-crowding of the syllabus should be avoided.

Note 3: Teaching/Learning Methodology

This section should include a brief description of the teaching and learning methods to be employed to facilitate learning, and a justification of how the methods are aligned with the intended learning outcomes of the subject.

Note 4: Assessment Method

This section should include the assessment method(s) to be used and its relative weighting, and indicate which of the subject intended learning outcomes that each method purports to assess. It should also provide a brief explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes.