MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING CAN THO UNIVERSITY

COURSE SYLLABUS

1. INFORMATION OF COURSE AND LECTURER

- 1.1. Course name and code: Applied statistics in aquaculture
- 1.2. Course specification: 2 Cred. (Theory: 1; Assignment: 0; Practice: 1), 40 hours (T: 20; A: 0; P: 20)
- 1.3. Prerequistes courses: N/A
- 1.4. Responsible Department:
- 1.5. Information of lecturer:

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2. COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course covers the following main topics: Basics of statistics in aquaculture, Identifying researchable problems and developing hypotheses, Aquaculture experimental designs, Data collection and storage, Data analysis. The course is expected to help the leaners to evaluate research problems effectively and propose practical solutions through building up skills in identifying researchable problems, developing hypotheses based on identified problem, design a suitable experimental design, collect and store data, use appropriate analytical methods to falsify or validate the hypotheses, and writing up conclusions based on the research results

3. COURSE EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of the course

Theoretically:

The student should have:

- A general understanding of the importance of statistics in aquaculture.
- An overview of emerging problems in aquaculture field in general and researchable problems in particular.
- General knowledge of developing hypotheses, aquaculture experimental designs, data collection and storage.
- A general understanding of using appropriate analytical methods to falsify or validate the hypotheses, and writing up conclusions based on the research results. *Practically:*

The student should know how to:

- Identify researchable problems in aquaculture field.
- Develop hypotheses based on identified problem.
- Design a suitable aquaculture experimental design.
- Collect and store data.
- Use appropriate analytical methods to falsify or validate the hypotheses, and writing up conclusions based on the research results.

4. COURSE CONTENTS

Chapters	Hours (T/A/P)
Chapter 1: Basics of statistics in aquaculture	2/0/0
This chapter will provide basic knowledge of applied statistics in aquaculture. 1.1. Introduction 1.2. Experimental unit in aquaculture 1.3. Data accuracy and exploratory analysis	
1.4. Central locations and variability In order to understand well this chapter, students should read references of [5], [9], [10].	

Chapter 2: Identifying researchable problems and developing	4/0/3
hypotheses	
This chapter will provide knowledge of emerging problems in	
aquaculture field in general and researchable problems in	
particular and general knowledge of developing hypotheses and	
research proposals.	
2.1. Science and scientific research types in aquaculture	
2.2. Identifying researchable problems	
2.3. Developing hypotheses	
2.4. Planning and developing research proposals	
Practice: Team work to develop a problem tree	
In order to understand well this chapter, students should read	
references of [10], [11].	
Chapter 3: Aquaculture experimental designs	6/0/5
This chapter will provide knowledge of commonly-used aquaculture	
experimental designs.	
3.1. Background	
3.2. Completely randomized design	
3.3. Randomized complete block design	
3.4. Latin square design	
3.5. Factorial experiments	
Practice: G power	
- Power analysis for an experiment to compare two treatments	
- Power Analysis for an experiment with multiple treatments or	
a factorial design	
In order to understand well this chapter, students should read	
references of [1], [2], [3], [7], [8], [9], [10].	
Chapter 4: Data collection and storage	2/0/0
This chapter will provide knowledge of data collection	
methodologies, data tabulation and database management.	
4.1. Data collection	
4.2. Data storage	
In order to understand well this chapter, students should read	
references of [1], [2], [9], [10].	
Chapter 5: Data analysis	6/0/12
This chapter will provide knowledge of statistical data analysis and	
interpretation methodologies.	
5.1. Background	
5.2. Hypothesis testing using ANOVA	
5.3. Testing and exploring relationships	
5.4. Other analyses	
Practice:	
- Hypothesis testing using ANOVA: CRD, RCBD, LSD, Factorial	
designs.	
- Testing and exploring relationships: regression and correlation	
- Other analyses: non-parametric tests	
In order to understand well this chapter, students should read	

5. TEACHING METHODS AND ASSESSMENT

5.1. Teaching methods:

Face-to-face teaching; the course is a combination of theory (20 hours) and practice (20 hours); the students will be organized in groups for team-work assignments.

5.2. Assessment methods:

Team-work report: 10%

Practice: 40%

Final term exam: 50%

6. READING REFERENCES

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