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History
The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao (UPRH) was founded in 1962 as the first Regional College of the University of Puerto Rico. Its initial objective consisted of providing students from the eastern region of the country access to the University of Puerto Rico (UPR) and to facilitate the transfer of its alumni to other UPR units with higher levels of academic offerings. During the first year of operations, a faculty of 21 professors served 267 students. In 1963, the Division of Continuing Education and Extension began offering evening and summer courses. In 1965, the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools granted the then Regional College its first accreditation, retroactive to 1962. The UPRH maintains its accreditation by the MSCHIE validating its academic excellence through its reaccreditation in June 2022, which extends to 2029-2030.
In 1967, the College established associate degrees in Business Administration (Accounting and Management), Nursing, and Secretarial Sciences. In 1969, associate degrees in Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy were established, followed by Audiovisual Communication in 1971 and Physical Education and Recreation in 1972.
By 1973, the Puerto Rico Legislature approved the Joint Resolution No. 95, which renamed the Humacao Regional College to the Humacao University College (CUH, by its Spanish acronym). For administrative purposes, CUH was attached to the Office of the President of the University of Puerto Rico and planning for the offerings of four-year programs leading to Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees started. The following bachelor’s and associate degree programs were established between 1973 and 1982: Chemical Technology (1975), Nursing (1976), English (1976), Social Work (1976), Education (1978), Electronics Technology (1979), Physics Applied to Electronics (1980), Business Administration with a Major in Industrial Management (1979), General Program (1979), Human Resources (1979), Accounting (1982), Secretarial Sciences (1982), Marine Biology (1982), Industrial Chemistry (1977) and Computational Mathematics (1982).
In 1982, the Council on Higher Education granted the College its autonomy, which permitted the designation of its first chancellor. Also, tasks that had been previously carried out by the University of Puerto Rico Central Administration, were transferred to the CUH’s directive bodies. In 1987, bachelor degrees were established in General Biology, Microbiology, and Wildlife Management. In 1999, the UPR Board of Trustees authorized the change of the institution’s name, from Humacao University College to the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao (UPRH). In 2003, the institution established the Bachelor in Business Administration with major in International Commerce, a unique program at the bachelor’s degree level within the University of Puerto Rico System.
At present, the UPRH offers twenty-one bachelor degree programs and four associate degree programs. The programs susceptible of professional accreditation, as Social Work, Nursing, Accounting, Management, Human Resources, International Commerce, Office Systems Administration, English Elementary Level, English Secondary Level, and Electronics Technology and Nanotechnology, have their professional accreditation agencies, respectively. In 2007, the Bachelor in Social Sciences with a Major in Social Action Research was offered; in 2013, the UPRH established the Bachelor in Arts with Major in Communication Technology; in 2018, the Bachelor in Arts with Major in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean Studies; and in 2022, the Bachelor in Science in Data Science.

Mission
The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao, as the leading higher education institution in the eastern area of Puerto Rico:
Estabishes students as the center of the university activity; therefore, the university efforts of teaching, research and services are aimed towards the ethical, cultural, aesthetic, humanistic, technological, and intellectual development of the student. Furthermore, the University contributes to the formation of citizens with integrated knowledge and values that foster the strengthening of the participatory democracy, ecological sustainability, justice, and equity in the eastern region, Puerto Rico, and the Caribbean.

Vision
The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao aims to be a model of excellence recognized for its contribution to the intellectual, social, economic, democratic, and cultural development of the eastern region, Puerto Rico, and the Caribbean by expanding its academic offerings, including evening and graduate programs tempered with the emerging technology and with the need for a comprehensive education.

Goals

**GOAL A** Enhance student success by means of an excellent general and professional education.

**GOAL B** Improve quality of life within the service area of the UPRH through educational programs, services, and community projects that promote socioeconomic development.

**GOAL C** Promote, preserve, and disseminate the values and characteristics of Puerto Rican culture and enrich Puerto Rican culture through regional, national, and international exchange.

**GOAL D** Promote an institutional climate in which the campus community can share and discuss ideas of mutual interest in a secure and respectful environment, in order to bring about the necessary changes that are consistent with internal and external reality.

**GOAL E** Revitalize research through a participatory role by constituents that are involved in emerging
paradigms based on competitiveness in the natural, administrative, and human sciences in ways that contribute to the advancement of knowledge and to the solution of problems of the eastern region, Puerto Rico, the Caribbean, and beyond.

Philosophy

Values of the University of Puerto Rico

The purpose of the University of Puerto Rico Law No. 1 of January 20, 1966 as amended, is to reorganize the University of Puerto Rico, reaffirm and strengthen its autonomy, and facilitate its continuous growth.

The University, as an entity of higher education, for its obligation to provide services to the people of Puerto Rico, and for its due loyalty to the ideals of an integral democratic society, has the essential mission to reach the following objectives which are inherent to the most extensive academic freedom and scientific research:

1. Transmit and increase the knowledge by means of the sciences and arts, lending itself to the service of the community, through the actions of its professors, researchers, students, and alumni.
2. Contribute to the nurturing of ethical and aesthetic values of culture.
3. Ensure the full development of the student, considering his/her responsibility as a servant of the community.
4. Fully develop the latent intellectual and spiritual richness of our people, so that the values of intelligence and the spirit of exceptional personalities that arise in all social sectors, especially those less favored with economic resources, can be of service to the Puerto Rican society.
5. Collaborate with other entities, within their own spheres of action, in the study of the problems of Puerto Rico.
6. Bear in mind that, because of its character as a university and its identification with the ideals of life in Puerto Rico, the University is essentially tied to the values and interests of all democratic communities.

Values of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao

Values are the statements about conceptions of what is desirable, with which the constituents of an institution are committed. They are the cornerstones or principles which guide institutional efforts. Our mission and vision gather the fundamental aspects of an education of excellence based on the following basic principles and premises:

- **Excellence**: Optimize the use of human capacity to meet and exceed performance expectations within academia and workplace, using professional and general education competencies that enable students to reach their full development.
- **Critique**: Promote independent thinking and participatory democracy through information processing models and the thinker’s own criteria for emitting judgments that are based on logical, reasonable, and scientific foundations.
- **Universalism**: Create relations among individuals, communities, institutions, and movements across the globe to share knowledge, develop initiatives, generate alliances, and contribute to the solution of global problems, such as ecological instability and regional conflicts.
- **Respect for diversity**: Show deference and promote harmonious coexistence among groups of people with different traits, characteristics, and visions of life, not allowing discrimination for reasons of disabilities, gender, ideologies, beliefs, socioeconomic status, and place of origin, among others.
- **Resilience**: Organize resources that resist, adapt to, and overcome adversity or uncertainty that interfere with the achievement of the proposed objectives.
- ** Civility**: Encourage habits and characteristics within citizens that help them responsibly assume personal and social obligations for the community benefit.
- **Honesty**: Encourage knowledge and criticism without losing perspective of one’s limitations in acting with integrity and responsibility, and in recognizing that one can learn from peers in the process of searching for alternatives when confronting contemporary challenges.

Accreditation and Affiliations

Since 1965, the University of Puerto Rico has been accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Phone: (267) 284-5000. [https://www.mschc.org/institution/0625/](https://www.mschc.org/institution/0625/)

Twelve associate and bachelor’s degree programs are accredited by the following professional agencies: in the Bachelor in Sciences of Nursing - ACEN (former National League of Nursing (NLNAC)); the Bachelor in Social Work - Council on Social Work Education (CSWE); the Bachelor in Business Administration, with a Major in International Commerce, with a Major in Industrial Management, with a Major Accounting, with a Major in Human Resources; and the Bachelor in Office Systems Administration - Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP); the Bachelor in Elementary and Secondary English – Teacher of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL); the Associate Degree in Electronics Technology and Nanotechnology - Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET); and the Bachelor in Communication Technology - Accrediting Council on Education Journalism and Mass Communication (ACEJMC).

In 2008, the Department of Counseling Services, Psychology and Social Work (formerly known as Didie) was granted accreditation from the International Association of Counseling Services (IACS). In 2014 was reaccredited until 2022. Also, since 2008 the Aguedo Mojica Marrero Library is a member of the Association of Colleges and Research Libraries (ACRL).

Structure and Governance

Organization of the University of Puerto Rico

Currently, the University of Puerto Rico (UPR), as a system, is a well-established institution of higher education with an enrollment of over 57,000 students. It was reorganized under Law Number 1 approved on January 20, 1966. The University of Puerto Rico System is composed of the Rio Piedras, Mayagüez,
and Medical Sciences Campuses, which offer undergraduate and graduate studies, and the University of Puerto Rico atHumacao, Cayey, Bayamón, Carolina, Aguadilla, Arecibo, Ponce and Utuado, with two and four-year programs. The eleven units are autonomous; each has a chancellor as its principal administrative and academic officer.

Governing Board of the University of Puerto Rico
The Governing Board was created in 2013 as an independent and autonomous body that governs the 11 units of the University of Puerto Rico System. Prior to its creation, the former Council on Higher Education (CES, by its Spanish acronym) and the former Board of Trustees (JS, by its Spanish acronym) were responsible for UPR’s governance. The Governing Board governs the University, supervises the general operations of the institution, and provides guidelines for its development and direction. The Board does not get involved in administrative matters or in tasks pertinent to the presidency, chancellors, or other university officials. The Board represents the public interest in the University, always ensuring the protection of it against political and partisan interests or any other interests which could undermine its autonomy against anti-intellectual tendencies which manifest themselves against academic freedom, the promotion of the critical conscience, and the full development of students’ virtues. The Board is composed of thirteen members: one regular bachelor student; one regular student from a graduate program; two professors holding tenure within the University System; the Secretary of Education with ex officio status; one professional with a broad knowledge and experience in the field of finances; one resident of Puerto Rico who has participated with distinction in social and community leadership; five residents of Puerto Rico distinguished in artistic, scientific, and professional areas; and one citizen, resident of Puerto Rico, with ties to Puerto Rican communities outside of Puerto Rico. Except for the two students and the two professors that are elected, the remaining members of the Governing Board are appointed by the Governor of Puerto Rico with the advice and consent of the Puerto Rico Senate. All members of the Governing Board carry out their functions for the term established by University Law and until their successors are appointed and take possession.

President of the University of Puerto Rico
The President of the University of Puerto Rico, who is appointed for an indefinite term by the Governing Board, is the chief executive officer of the University System. With the approval of the Governing Board, he/she designates the chancellors of the system units. The President represents the University on corporate matters before the courts and government agencies. He/she is ex officio member of all faculties, academic senates, and administrative boards of the system. The president is responsible to submit, for the consideration of the Governing Board, the following: the institutional budget; the institutional development plan and its revisions; regulations, contracts and agreements that require the Board’s approval; and the annual report. He/she is also responsible for developing and maintaining relationships with other cultural and educational institutions in Puerto Rico, the United States, and internationally.

University Board
The University Board is responsible for preparing the general bylaws of the University, the student general bylaws, and the University System development plan which are submitted, for consideration and approval, to the President of the University and the Governing Board. The University Board also considers the System’s consolidated budget and is the first course of appeal against any decision made by the Administrative Board or the Academic Senate of an autonomous unit. The University Board is composed of the President of the University, the chancellors of the eleven units, the finance director, three additional members appointed by the President with the approval of the Governing Board, a faculty representative from each academic senate, and a student representative from each unit. The Board, with recommendations from the academic senates, is responsible for preparing the bylaws.

Chancellor of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao
The Chancellor of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao is the chief executive officer of the institutional unit. His/her responsibilities include the following: presiding the Academic Senate, the Administrative Board, and the faculty meetings; appointing the deans, department directors, and university personnel; resolving on appeal, the deans’ decisions; representing the University at functions, ceremonies, and academic activities; and preparing, for consideration of the President, the University’s annual report and budget petition.

Administrative Board
The Administrative Board of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao is composed of the Chancellor, who presides the Board, the deans, the Director of the Library, four academic department directors representing the areas of education, arts, sciences, and administrative sciences that are appointed by the Chancellor for a two-year term, two academic senators elected among the academic representatives of the Academic Senate who are not ex officio members, and an elected student representative.

Academic Senate
The Academic Senate of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao is composed of the Chancellor, who presides it, the deans, the Director of the Library, an elected representative from each academic department, from the Library, from The Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work, four elected student representatives, and the Student Ombudsperson as a permanent guest with the right of voice.
The faculty is composed of the Chancellor, the Dean of Academic Affairs, the academic department directors, and the teaching staff of the University. The General Bylaws of the University of Puerto Rico define the faculty’s functions, responsibilities, duties, and rights.

**Students General Council**

The Students General Council is the only group recognized by the college entities as the students’ official representation. It channels a democratic, extensive, unrestricted, and absolute participation of all students.

**Vision**

Accomplish full students’ representation before the University’s administration bodies, always overlooking for a first-class education and the best opportunities for the students. It is our primary duty the formation of student leaders.

**Mission**

Officially represent the students of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao in all deliberative forums, within the Council or out. Promote an environment that stimulates creativeness and that awakes the interest to collaborate in the solution of the problems of UPRH students. Expose, before the necessary authorities, the opinions and recommendations regarding the problems affecting students and the proper functioning of the University. Create conscience among students of their rights, duties, and responsibilities to guarantee the full enjoyment of university life. Strengthen communication between students and all sectors that compose the campus community. Encourage the collaboration and the communication of the student bodies on the study of problems that affect the university life and in the search of solutions to these problems. Foment university acts that stimulate the best student development.

**Services offered:**

- UPRH’s student representation before the administrative, faculty, non-teaching staff, media, and national forums
- Counseling
- Facilitation of student dialogs
- Among others

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**Student Ombudsperson**

The Office of the Student Ombudsperson main purpose is to contribute to the solution of student problems, which may result in conflicts with other members of the campus community, or with other regulatory authorities of the Institution. Works to complement, in an agile manner, the procedures established to attend, in an informal way, situations that negatively affect the student’s performance. The Ombudsperson acts as a neutral agent to procure justice on situations presented for his/her consideration, serving as advisor, mediator, intercessor and moderator among students and other components of the campus community. He/She has the commitment of finding a fair and unbiased solution, considering the rights and responsibilities of the students, as well as of the Institution’s representatives and, by this, protect their rights to receive a just and reasonable treat in their relations with the authorities and university employees. Also, the ombudsperson has the responsibility of informing the university administration of the regulations that have obstructed the academic progress and the performance of the students. The principles governing the services offered by the Student Ombudsperson Office are accessibility, impartiality, confidentiality, and independence. The functions of the Student Ombudsperson Office are supported under Certification 119-2014-2015 of the UPR’s Governing Body. The office email is procuradoria.uprh@upr.edu.

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**Telephones of the UPR Units**

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INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES

Equal Opportunities Policy
The University of Puerto Rico (UPR) System, in compliance with applicable federal and state laws1 and forthcoming regulations, is committed to provide equal opportunity access in education and employment without discriminating based on age, sex, sexual orientation, color, nationality, origin, social condition, political ideas, religious beliefs, physical or mental disabilities, or veteran status. The Equal Employment Opportunity Office (EEO) is the office appointed by the UPR to ensure compliance with legislation that applies to civil rights.

Student’s Rights and Responsibilities
Law and academic tradition recognize the rights of the students as members of the campus community, as well as the moral and intellectual responsibility accompanying these rights. Law and tradition also recognize the responsible participation of students in assuring and maintaining order, safety, and normalcy in academic life. The work itself of studying constitutes the focal point in the student–professor relationship. The professor will encourage creative dialogue and freedom of expression. A student’s grades will be based on an evaluation of his/her academic achievement. The student will have the right to meet with the professor during designated hours to request orientation and clarify aspects of his/her academic work. These rights and responsibilities, applicable disciplinary procedures in case of violations, and many other matters of interest are included in the University of Puerto Rico Student General Bylaws, which is available in the Deanship of Students Affairs.

Confidentiality of Academic Records Policy
The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao complies with the clauses of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. It establishes the following precepts:

- The student has the right to inspect and review his/her academic record.
- The student has the right to have his/her academic record amended to correct inaccurate data that may be interpreted incorrectly or that violates his or her right to privacy, or any other right recognized by law.
- The student must give prior consent before personal information in his/her academic record is disclosed, except in circumstances where the law authorizes its disclosure without prior consent.

A copy of the institutional policy established by the University of Puerto Rico in compliance with the law may be obtained in the Registrar’s Office.

Protection of Human Subjects Used in Research Policy
This institution complies with all federal regulations related to the use of human subjects in research, including those specified in the Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Health and Human Services, Title 45 (Public Welfare), Part 46: Protection of Human Subjects (revised on June 23, 2005).

Intellectual and Scientific Integrity Policy
It is the policy of this institution to observe the highest standards of intellectual and scientific integrity and to take the appropriate action in case of any violation. Lack of integrity and acts of academic and scientific fraud include plagiarism, falsifications, false representation, and all of the violations to the canons and practices generally accepted in the academic community, with the exception of those that may result from involuntary errors or genuine differences in the interpretation or handling of data or information.

Sexual Harassment Policy
Sexual harassment constitutes a violation of several laws2 because it is considered discrimination. Consists of any type of unsolicited sexual approaches, requests for sexual favors, and any other verbal or physical sexual conduct. To determine if the alleged conduct constitutes sexual harassment, the totality of the circumstances will be considered. Examples of this conduct can be flirtatious remarks, sexual innuendos, unwanted sexual looks, squeezing, sexual aggressions, and the creation of an intimidating, hostile, and offensive environment, among others. The person who has been or is sexually harassed may request help from the following university officials:

- Administrative unit supervisors
- Labor union representatives or delegates
- Academic department directors
- Title IX Coordination
- Deans
- Student Ombudperson
- Office of Administration and Development of Human Talent
- Legal Advisor

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No-smoking Policy

The UPR, in compliance with Law #40, prohibits students, professors, employees, and visitors from smoking in indoor settings such as classrooms, conference rooms, laboratories, museums, libraries, hallways, cafeterias, and restrooms. Those who wish to smoke must do so in areas outside the buildings such as parking areas, balconies, or outdoor terraces. If a person violates these prohibitions, he/she is subject to the corresponding disciplinary measures specified in the UPR General Bylaws, Article 39 (for employees), in the Students’ General Bylaws, Part IV (for students) and in any other administrative procedure established for this purpose.

Drugs and Alcohol Policy

The manufacture, distribution, supply, possession, and illegal use of controlled substances, as well as alcohol abuse, are harmful practices to the Institution’s best interests and will not be allowed regardless of the position of the persons involved. Under no circumstances will any person be allowed to violate this prohibition or to remain at his/her place of work or study while under the influence of any controlled substance or alcohol. This policy is supported in compliance with the following dispositions:

- University of Puerto Rico Act (Public Law No 1 of January 20, 1966)
- Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (Public Law No. 101-226 of 1989)
- Internal Regulations of the U.S. Department of Defense

These laws establish affirmative responsibility on behalf of educational institutions and employers in the prevention of the use of controlled substances by employees and students within the UPR grounds, as well during activities sponsored by the Institution.

Campus Security Act

State and federal laws require that educational institutions provide protection and security for members of the academic community. The UPRH recognizes as an Institution’s legitimate interest to facilitate protection of life and safety of its members (administration, employees, and students). The UPRH is also concerned with preventing crimes within the physical facilities of its educational system.

This declaration of public policy is disseminated in accordance with Public Law 101-542 known as Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act, as well as with other federal and state laws that require the adoption of clear institutional norms. Any person that, through acts of commission or omission, violates any state or federal statute will be subject to disciplinary measures established by the university bylaws or applicable civil or criminal laws.

The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao will prepare and disclose annually a report containing data related to procedures, security policy, emergency phone numbers, and statistics related to criminal acts committed within the university grounds.

Persons interested in obtaining a copy of the report may request one at the Deanship of Students Affairs or in the Office of Administration and Development of Human Talent.

Policies and Procedures for Handling Situations of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking

The UPRH is committed to the formation and maintenance of a community in which the individuals that participate in university activities and programs can work and enjoy them in an environment free of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This Institution does not tolerate those conducts leading to these practices, prohibited by the university policies, occur between persons of opposite or same sex, between students, between faculty members or personnel.

The UPRH recognizes the importance of guaranteeing an environment in which the security, dignity and the autonomy of every person that interact in our community, students, teaching and non-teaching staff, subcontracted personnel and visitors, are respected.

The UPRH is compromised on taking the adequate action to prevent, correct and discipline any behavior that constitutes a violation of the university policies and procedures. In this, special attention will be given to the needs of the individuals that survive the violence, the offender rights will be guaranteed, as well as the confidentiality principles which are aimed to protect the intimacy and dignity of the people involved. (Taken from Certification No. 2012-2013-38 of the UPRH’s Administrative Board)

Emergency Operational Plan

The UPRH has an organized procedure that permits it to make a fast and effective response to any emergency. This plan is aimed to mitigate the effects and damages caused by mankind or by natural disasters; to prepare the necessary measures to save lives and prevent damages; to respond before, during, and after the emergencies; and to establish a system that allows recovery in a reasonable period of time. (Taken from Certification No. 2018-2019-034 of the UPRH’s Administrative Board)

Complementary Standards and Procedures of the UPR for Extended Admission of New Students

Establishes the standards and procedures to implement Law 250 of 2012 in the University of Puerto Rico about extended admission for students with disabilities, coming from public or private high schools, who apply for new admission to one of the University of Puerto Rico’s institutional units. (Certification No. 111 (2014-2015) Governing Board)
Policy of Reasonable Adjustment and Academic Services for Students with Disabilities Enrolled in the University of Puerto Rico

Establishes uniform practices in the UPR system on the coordination of reasonable adjustments and academic services requested by students with disabilities, as well as guaranteeing full compliance of the applicable federal and state laws. (Certification No. 133 (2015-2016) Governing Board)
Media and Public Relations Office

The Media and Public Relations Office gives support to the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao in the planning, managing, coordination, and evaluation of actions and strategies aimed to project the Institution’s image through media and public relations activities.

Mission
Broadcast communications and institutional events to promote the image and services of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao to both internal and external public.

Vision
Transform the Media and Public Relations Office of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao in a unit with exposure within the Institution and that manages the processes of broadcasting in an integrated way, more efficiently and effectively. These processes are for the internal and external community benefit, in order to achieve a better projection of the work and other academic matters in the UPRH relevant to the country.

Objectives
- Develop efforts of fundraising for the sustainability of institutional projects.
- Create a favorable image of the Institution toward the internal and external community.
- Facilitate and accelerate the adoption and implementation of the newly established trademark guides for the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao.
- Standardize the flow of information related to the broadcast and promotion of matters concerning the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao.
- Establish an efficient, cost effective and ethical Communication Plan that complies with the Institutional Plan.

Information Systems Office (OSI, by its Spanish acronym)

Mission
Guarantee an efficient service, of quality on telecommunications, giving access to educational resources, general information and academic research offered in the Internet and through connections with other college institutions. Also, provide the administrative and safe means for the processes that give support and maintenance to the Institution.

Vision
Open doors to knowledge and general information in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao through the emerging communication technologies.

Objectives
- Articulate an operational plan and a continuous assessment plan for the development of information technologies.
- Use new strategies that temper out and support the academic objectives.
- Provide connectivity that will allow access to the Internet and UPR System’s network from all areas within the campus system.
- Use information technologies to automate, simplify and integrate the academic and administrative procedures, and to facilitate the management analysis.
- Stay ahead on information technologies and integrate them into the teaching-learning process through the acquisition and continuing renewal of equipment and resources.

Website: [http://www.upr.edu/humacao/oficina-de-sistemas-de-informacion/](http://www.upr.edu/humacao/oficina-de-sistemas-de-informacion/)
Phone: 787-850-9312

Planning, Accreditations, and Institutional Research Office (OPAI, by its Spanish acronym)

The mission of the Planning, Accreditations, and Institutional Research Office (OPAI, by its Spanish acronym) is to provide advice to the Chancellor’s Office in the making of developmental policies for the Institution and in the design of strategies and activities to support the decision-making process. The functions of the office are carried out through three programmatic areas: Planning, Accreditation and Licensing, and Institutional Research. The Planning area designs guides to elaborate, implement and evaluate the results of the institutional plan indicators. It documents the achievements reached through the Institutional Planning and Assessment Cycle. Furthermore, the office provides advice to the personnel of the university community in areas related to strategic planning. The Institutional Research area develops tools, analyses and strategies for continuous and systematic collection of information, necessary for the academic and administrative components. It supports the planning as well as the assessment and evaluation processes. Also, produces and disseminates statistical data for the institution, the UPR system and the external community. This area develops the Students Follow Up Study, a tool that provides important information regarding the students’ academic experience as well as their satisfaction with the services the institution offers. The Accreditation and Licensing Area collaborates with the institution’s management as liaison with the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) regarding the accreditation processes, as well as with the Postsecondary Institutions Board (JIPs, by its Spanish acronym) licensing. This area provides support for the academic programs in the evaluation processes of their professional accreditations and reaccreditations.
Institutional and International Relations Office (ORII, by its Spanish acronym)

Academic Internationalization

The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao is affiliated to several consortiums that link it to many universities through a reciprocal agreement (multilateral and bilateral conventions). Its objective is to offer students the opportunity of sharing academic, cultural, and social experiences, encouraging and promoting in a way that students can have a comprehensive and cosmopolitan view of the world and of the judgment elements to act in their own reality. These consortiums are: (NSE) National Student Exchange, groups about two hundred (200) universities and colleges recognized in: United States, Canada, Guam, and the Virgin Islands; International Student Exchange Program (ISEP Direct), composed of international universities; and conventions with several universities of Spain, and Argentine, among others.

To be eligible, the student must meet the following requirements: be enrolled in a program leading to a bachelor’s degree with a full academic load (12 credits or more), have and maintain a minimum average of 2.50 and possess English language skills and proficiency (for United States universities). Participants of the student mobility program may attend studies during a semester or an academic year at the host university. The courses taken by the student, while participating in the student mobility program, are recommended by his/her faculty’s academic counselor; the credits and grades will be part of the student’s academic record at his/her home unit.

Casa Roig Museum

In 1977, the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao received the home of Mr. Antonio Torruellas and Mrs. Eulogia Guzmán Toro as a donation. They were one of the most important families of the eastern area of Puerto Rico who worked on the production of sugar cane. The house is manufactured in concrete and wood, and richly decorated with stained glasses and mosaics as the Prairie House Style started in de United States in 1897 by the architects Louis Sullivan and Frank Lloyd Wright. It was designed in 1919 by the Czechoslovak architect Antonin Nechodom (1877-1928) as a home for the Roig Guzmán family.

It was totally restored and opened its doors to the public in 1989. Since, it has served as a museum and center of cultural dissemination. It is considered among the best works of the architect Antonin Nechodoma and the only residential structure of the prairie style adapted to the Puerto Rico’s tropical environment. Also, the Casa Roig is the first residential structure of the 20th Century in Puerto Rico that was included in the National Register of Historic Places. At the moment, and because of Hurricane María, Casa Roig suffered damage and it is in a process of evaluation for its restauration.
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ACADEMIC SERVICES

Deanship of Academic Affairs
The Deanship of Academic Affairs coordinates the academic activities of departments and programs, and of the Continuing Education and Professional Studies Division. It is responsible for providing support services to the faculty and for ensuring the strictest compliance of rules and regulations.

Website:  http://www.upr.edu/humacao/uprh/academicos/decanato-de-asuntos-academicos/
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Distance Learning (EaD, by its Spanish acronym)
The Deanship of Academic Affairs offers courses in the distance modality through different academic programs. The Distance Education Policy (Certification 2017-2018-054, UPRH Academic Senate) and the Guide for the Implementation of the Distance Education Policy (Certification 2018-2019-036, UPRH Academic Senate) standardize the academic offering for the benefit of faculty and students. Currently, we offer a service of quality with a multidisciplinary team for all the campus community through the coordination in the Office of Distance Learning, at the Deanship of Academic Affairs; EaD Institutional Committee and the Continuing Education and Professional Studies Division, where the offerings, administration and services of the online courses are managed.
Website:  http://www.upr.edu/humacao/ead/
e-mail:  ead.uprh@upr.edu

Águedo Mojica Marrero Library
The mission of the Águedo Mojica Marrero Library of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao is to instruct the academic community in the critical handling of information and to encourage the integration of resources to the teaching-learning process in order to satisfy the community necessities in an effective and efficient way. That is why it strives to capacitate the users, to develop collections with a multidisciplinary emphasis, pertinent to the UPRH academic curriculums, and even, be a source of information for the surrounding community. In addition to creating active collections, the library keeps more than 100,000 volumes in its book collection, 70,000 journal titles in both hardcopy and electronic, as well as audiovisual and other electronic resources, such as books and databases. The library also has an IT infrastructure that facilitates the handling and distribution of information in a more efficient way. The integration of the IT infrastructure with the bibliographic infrastructure facilitates the creation of programs to develop the information competencies that complement the curriculum courses and the training of users in the handling of electronic resources applied to the academic work. Therefore, the library faculty integrates itself to the learning process, as a guide and facilitator of experiences to reinforce knowledge acquisition and the skills development.

The Library is in a three-story building that has 88,000 square feet. It has reading rooms, more than 30 computers, one (1) microfiche reader, individual study rooms, and cubicles. The library can accommodate 110 users.
The service hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:20 p.m., Monday to Friday.
The Library’s public service division includes collections of Reference, Reserve, Digital reserve, Circulating, Journals, and of Puerto Rico. Also, includes Audiovisual Resources, the Technological Assistance Program, the Information Competencies Program, the Santiago Iglesias Pantín Worker’s Documentation Center, the Luis Rafael Sánchez Theater Room, and the Communication Competencies Center (CCC).
For technical processes the UPRH’s Library uses the University of Puerto Rico automated system known as Horizon and is connected to the Internet through various means. This IT infrastructure facilitates the sharing within the UPR libraries and the sharing with other academic entities around the world. Furthermore, it stimulates and makes possible the exchange of resources to satisfy demands of information from its users.
The Library personnel is composed of one (1) librarian and director, three (3) auxiliary librarians, one (1) administrative assistant, and, per semester, around 20 assistant students. The professional librarian has faculty status. The Library personnel have published journal articles and monographs, including some that can be accessed through the Internet.

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Communication Competencies Center (CCC)
History and Objectives
The CCC was established in 2002 as a subsidized project by the Federal Education Department (Title V). It was institutionalized in 2007 and is part of the Deanship of Academic Affairs. It is located on the first floor in SRIA Building of the Águedo Mojica Marrero Library (AMM). In 2018 the Center was included in the administration and service of the AMM Library.
The facilities include computers, two photocopiers for public use, digitalization services for documents and images, a poster printer, and a collection of language art resources, in English and Spanish. It provides photocopy and printing services to all communities and facilitates loan facilities and equipment for faculty use.
The CCC objectives are aimed towards the written, oral, and technological communication areas, however, since 2013, provides tutoring in Science and Mathematics areas. The tutors are students of academic excellence in those disciplines.
Continuing Education and Professional Studies Division (Decep, by its Spanish acronym)

The Continuing Education and Professional Studies Division (Decep, by its Spanish acronym) of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao reaffirms in its mission of providing programs and innovative academic activities of excellence, with or without credit, aimed to enable long term learning. Decep facilitates, guarantees, and perpetuates the University of Puerto Rico's service mission, its merging in the globalization trend of education, and its contribution to the socioeconomic and cultural development, focusing on the immediate needs of Puerto Rico's sectors and its surroundings areas.

Objectives

Continuing Education's objectives are the following:

- Diversify, enrich, and expand the academic offer of continuing education and professional studies by using several strategies, methodologies, and technologies, including methods of distance education in accordance with the University of Puerto Rico's new policies.
- Identify continuing education and professional studies necessities and demands in Puerto Rico and its surroundings, as well as other services related to Decep’s mission and capacities, and propose and implement alternatives to address them.

The Division offers traditional courses, short courses, continuing education for health professionals who need to renew their license, college courses for talented students of public and private schools, reviews for the College Admission Exam (PAA), capacitation to public providers, trainings and education for teachers of the Puerto Rico’s Department of Education, and educational experiences for the community in general.

Service hours are from Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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University Articulation Project (PAU, by its Spanish acronym)

The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao, by Certification 1994-95-48 of the Academic Board, established the University Articulation Project to offer direct services to students of secondary schools of 11th and 12th grade to take college courses. Is a requirement for the student to have a 3.50 academic average or more. PAU allows outstanding students from public and private high schools to take in advance university credits and enroll in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao.

Office of Sponsored Research and Programs (OPIS, by its Spanish acronym)

The Office of Sponsored Research and Programs (OPIS, by its Spanish acronym) was created to “support research and creation through development and preparation of proposals, the management of projects, and the compliance and integrity in research”, according to Certification Number 2013-2014-22 of the Academic Senate.

Mission

Support programs and projects of research, creation, service, and training on the different branches of knowledge, by requesting, collecting, and handling external funds; thus, ensuring compliance with the requirements and policies of the funding agencies.

Vision

OPIS seeks to develop and promote a university culture of research, innovation, service, and strategic alliances, for the benefit of our students and the general university community.
Objectives
Increase the number of proposals submitted to external agencies and provide training to the UPRH faculty to facilitate project management and the compliance with federal, state, and institutional regulations.

Website: [https://www.upr.edu/humacao/opis-mision-y-vision/](https://www.upr.edu/humacao/opis-mision-y-vision/)

Protection Board of Human Beings in Research (JPSHI, by its Spanish acronym)
Mission
The mission of the JPSHI, best known as the Institutional Review Board (IRB), is to guarantee protection, well-being, and rights of every human being who participates as a research subject. This is carried out by evaluation, approval, and recommendation of changes to the protocols of every research project, to guarantee the voluntary disposition of the participation, the confidentiality, the anonymity, and the reduction of physical, mental and economic damages of the human subjects of research projects. Also, JPSHI will maintain a process of educational formation to the entire university community regarding the ethics and regulations related to the protection of subjects in research.

Vision
Promote a human and ethical culture of study and research at the UPRH that is suitable to the protection of human beings for the benefit of the humanity.

Objectives
The “Institutional Review Board” (IRB) Office has the commitment of promoting a culture of ethical practices and protecting the rights and wellness of human beings that voluntarily engage in research projects in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. This Office oversees the compliance with the applicable rules in the Federal, State and Institutional Regulations, which govern every research study involving human beings. The board is the organism designated by the Chancellor for the analysis and approval, with changes, if necessary, of any research activity involving the engagement of human beings as subjects of study, with the purpose of guaranteeing confidentiality, anonymity, and reduction of risks and damages.

Website: [https://www.upr.edu/humacao/institutional-review-board-mision-y-vision/](https://www.upr.edu/humacao/institutional-review-board-mision-y-vision/)

Registrar’s Office
The Registrar’s Office is the custodian of students’ academic records and manage the following processes or services:

- Transfer
- Reclassification
- Readmission
- Special Permit
- Graduation
- Registration
- Partial Withdraws
- Total Withdraws
- Certifications
- Credit Transcripts

Veterans and other beneficiaries of federal programs
The UPRH is authorized to enroll veteran students and their beneficiaries as referred by federal and state agencies. These beneficiaries may comply with all admission and eligibility requirements and complete the study program in the stipulated time (Federal Code Tittle 38). If they exceed the stipulated time, they will not be able to continue receiving veteran’s benefits. However, they may receive other available financial aid. Among the benefits offered by the Veterans’ Administration are to establish coordination among veterans, the University and the Veterans’ Administration Office, and to promote adequate relations among veterans and professors. The Veterans’ Administration will not cover a course where the veteran student, or his/her beneficiary, has obtained an acceptable grade. It will only pay for failed courses (F) or those with an established minimum grade.

Official Certification
I certify the current policy is true and correct:

The following individuals shall be charged a rate of tuition not to exceed the in-state rate for tuition and fees purposes:

- A Veteran using educational assistance under either chapter 30 (Montgomery GI Bill® - Active Duty Program) or chapter 33 (Post-9/11 GI Bill®), of title 38, United States Code, who lives in Puerto Rico while attending a school located in Puerto Rico (regardless of his/her formal State of residence) and enrolls in the school within three years of discharge or release from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more. **Effective August 1, 2021, Section 1005 of P.L.116-315 (Isakson and Roe Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020) eliminates the three-year requirement.**

- Anyone using transferred Post-9/11 GI Bill® benefits (38 U.S.C. § 3319) who lives in Puerto Rico while attending a school located in Puerto Rico (regardless of his/her formal State of residence) and enroll in the school within three years of the transferor’s discharge or release from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more. **Effective August 1, 2021, Section 1005 of P.L.116-315 (Isakson and Roe Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020) eliminates the three-year requirement.**

- Anyone described above who is still enrolled (other than during regularly scheduled breaks between courses, semesters, or terms) at the same school. The person described must have enrolled in the school prior to the expiration of the three-year period following discharge or release as described above and must be using educational benefits under either chapter 30 or chapter 33, of title 38, United States Code. **Effective August 1, 2021, Section 1005 of P.L.116-315 (Isakson and Roe Veterans Health Care and**
Benefits Improvement Act of 2020) eliminates the three-year requirement.

- Anyone using transferred Post-9/11 GI Bill® benefits (38 U.S.C. § 3319) who lives in Puerto Rico while attending a school located in Puerto Rico (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) and the transferor is a member of the uniformed service who is serving on active duty.
- The policy shall be read to be amended as necessary to be compliant with the requirements of 38 U.S.C. 3679 as amended.

Section 103 of Public Law (PL) 115-407, ‘Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018,’ amends Title 38 US Code 3679. Section 103 of Public Law (PL) 115-407, ‘Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018,’ amends Title 38 US Code 3679 by adding a new subsection (e) that requires disapproval of courses of education, beginning August 1, 2019, at any educational institution that does not have a policy in place that will allow an individual to attend or participate in a course of education, pending VA payment, providing the individual submits a certificate of eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance under Chapter 31 or 33.

The institution is approved by the Puerto Rico State Approving Agency to provide academic training to the students under the various GI Bill® programs.

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).
For more educational benefits offered by VA, go to https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.

Academic Honors Program
The objective of the Academic Honors Program is to provide talented students with non-traditional experiences in order to train them in the area of research and prepare them to pursue graduate studies. In the Program, students get involved in social, cultural, and academic activities, different from those traditionally offered, promoting independence, leadership, and collaborative work. It stimulates voluntary service which results in further student growth. It is a program for students that wish to make the most out of the university experiences and enrich their formation in an interdisciplinary environment. The Program enrolls students from all the UPRH academic programs.

The Academic Honors Program offers specialized services of academic counseling focusing on graduate studies and assists in the process of applying for financial aid and admission to graduate programs. The participant students can benefit of the program's study room, which is equipped with computers and other technological resources, library resources during extended hours; and early registration, among others. The Program is a member of the University Association of Puerto Rico’s Honors Programs (AUPH, by its Spanish acronym).

Student Support Services Program (PSES, by its Spanish acronym)
Student Support Services is one of the TRIO programs financed by federal government funds. Serves students at all stages of their university career. Participants must comply with the following criteria:
- be a candidate for financial aids: come from a low-income family
- be first generation student: none of his/her parents or legal tutor has obtained a bachelor’s degree
- have a physical disability, learning problem, or critical health condition
- demonstrate the necessity for help in any academic area: all participants must meet this criterion.

The main purpose of the program is to make its participants complete a university degree. Therefore, the following services are offered to impact favorably the retention and graduation rates:
- peer coaching
- personal, academic, and vocational counseling
- tutoring in areas of academic need
- alliances of university mentors
- learning skills seminar and costing of one (1) pre-basic course (summer)
- workshops and conferences (face-to-face and online)
- cultural activities
- computer lab
- technological equipment loans
- coordination with other institutional programs of student services

The program, which began to offer services in 1977, is in the basement of the Student Services Building, at right aisle.
Website: http://www.upr.edu/humacao/pses/
e-mail: pses.uprh@upr.edu

Upward Bound Program
The Upward Bound Program Is a pre-university program financed with federal funds of the Federal Education Department and is ascribed to the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. The Program is part of the project group known as TRIO, which exists by the Federal Law of Economic Opportunities and the Law of Higher Education of 1965.
It gives students the academic help needed to successfully finish their high school, begin, and complete university studies. Aimed at first generation students who will complete bachelor studies and that have home economic need. The main purpose is to offer academic tutoring in the areas of Spanish, English, Mathematics, Sciences, Orientation and Counseling designed to motivate and help participant students to successfully finish high school, continue and complete university studies. Students of ninth to twelfth grade, enrolled in the following High Schools may participate: Petra Mercado and Ana Roque Duprey in Humacao.
The admission requirements are:

- Parents or guardians should not have a bachelor’s degree completed.
- Come from a family with a limited income.
- Have interest in succeeding, continuing and graduate with post-secondary studies/college studies.
- Have an academic cumulative average of no less than 2.50 when applying.
- Applicants should be recommended by their teachers and/or the heads of their home schools.

Personnel
Prof. Myriam Cintrón Riera, Director
Glomir M. Pérez Flores, Guidance Officer
Lesley A. Ciriacruz Rosa, Program Officer
Irving A. Vázquez Coll, In-charge of the Academic Tutoring Center

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Distributive Learning Center (CAD)
The Distributive Learning Center (CAD, by its Spanish acronym) is a technology training project aimed at the faculty ascribed to the Deanship of Academic Affairs. CAD activities are developed by the Department of Communication. The Department of Communication has the specialized personnel to carry out the training activities: instructional designers, television and audio technicians, and professors specialized in the discipline of Communication. Also, has the required installations: Television Studio, Audio Studio, and Photography Studio.

CAD Objectives:
1. Continuous training of the UPRH professors in the use and integration of digital and electronic multimedia technology to teaching and learning processes, what the Middle States Commission on Higher Education calls distributive learning.
2. Production of educational multimedia materials.
3. Design and implantation of a Technology Institutional Plan, which should attend the students’ necessities of training in the use of new technologies and adequate access to computer laboratories.
ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Admissions
Candidates for first year admission in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao must complete the Admission’s Single Application to the University of Puerto Rico and request enrollment to one of the academic programs. Candidates must have a high school diploma, or its equivalent, from an educational institution duly accredited by the Puerto Rico Department of Education. They must also request that an official copy of their credit transcripts be sent to the Admission’s Office.

Admission’s Criteria
The University of Puerto Rico admission’s criteria include:
• The High School grade point average and the Verbal and Mathematical Academic Aptitude Test of the revised PAA offered by the College Board, or the SAT. Using this two, the student’s General Application Index (IGS, by its Spanish acronym) is calculated assigning 50% to each criterion (50% to IE and a 25% to each of the two aptitude tests of the College Board or SAT.
• It is also accepted the English version, Scholastic Aptitude Test–SAT and three tests of SAll – English (Literature & Writing), Mathematics - Level c4 or Level IIC4 and Spanish (Reading) offered by the same organization. Tests are valid for five years. Applications for these tests can be obtained on high schools or writing to: College Entrance Examination Board, P.O. Box 71101, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-8001.

Selection of Candidates
• Each UPR academic program establishes a Minimum Application Index (IMI, by its Spanish acronym), which is the minimum required to be eligible for admission. Annually, the Administrative Board will certificate the admission index and the program’s capacity.
• The selection of candidates will be made in descending order of the admission index and in accordance with the capacity of the different academic programs.

Requirements for Applicants from Foreign High Schools or their Equivalent
The Admissions Office determines the eligibility of the students coming from foreign countries and that wish to apply for admission at the University of Puerto Rico. They must take the College Board entrance examination and meet the following requirements:
• Request an official copy of the academic record in secondary education to be sent in the native language, and another in English or Spanish, duly certified by the home institution. These transcripts should be validated by the Ministry of Education at the home country and by the United States of America Consulate at the home country.

• Show evidence of titles or diplomas earned.
• Request an explanatory official report/summary to be sent, about:
  1. The grading system used to evaluate the academic achievement.
  2. The content and level of the courses taken.
  3. The number of hours per week each course was offered.
  4. Show evidence that the applicant has the necessary economic resources to study in Puerto Rico.
• When the applicant is from a private institution, he/she must present a certification indicating that the institution possesses the official recognition of the government from the home country.

Articulated Transfers
The UPRH has 12 programs articulated with three units of the UPR System: Mayagüez, Cayey and Carolina.

UPR Mayagüez
Bachelor in:
  Industrial Engineering
  Mechanical Engineering
  Chemical Engineering

UPR Cayey
Bachelor in:
  History
  Humanities
  Psychology
  Psychology and Community Mental Health
  Sociology
  Special Education

UPR Carolina
Bachelor in:
  Multidisciplinary Studies- Touristic Culture
  Forensic Psychology
  Law and Society

Advanced Placement
Students who approve the College Board’s advanced placement examinations with a score of 3, 4 or 5 in English or Math and 4 or 5 in Spanish may enroll in second year courses, as indicated in their curriculums, and will receive credit for the corresponding first year courses. These credits will count in order to fulfill the graduation requirements and will be registered in the student’s academic record as approved (P).
Placement for Pre-Basic Courses by Area
Students admitted will be placed according to Certification Number 2017-2018-052 of the Academic Senate.

- **Mathematics:**
  - Students with a score of 604 or less in the mathematics section of the CEEB, admitted to the Natural Sciences bachelor programs, must take and approve the course MATE0026.
  - Students with a score of 564 or less in the mathematics section of the CEEB, admitted to the Business Management Faculty, Natural Sciences bachelor programs, must take and approve the course MATE3001.
- **English:** Students with a score of 444 or less in the English Achievement section of the CEEB, must take and approve the course INGL0080.
- **Spanish:** Students with a score of 494 or less in the Spanish Achievement section of the CEEB, must take and approve the course ESPA3005.

Internal Transfer
Students Transfer from Other Units of the University of Puerto Rico System
Students from other units of the University of Puerto Rico System can request transfer to the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. They must meet the following requirements:

- Request transfer through the Registrar’s Office of his/her unit of origin within the period indicated in the academic calendar.
- Less than 30 credits approved in the University of Puerto Rico:
  - Must have satisfactory academic progress, as established by the Retention Tables indexes.
  - Must have an application general index value (IGS) of new admission greater than or equal to the minimum established for the year that the student was admitted.
- More than 30 credits approved in the University of Puerto Rico:
  - Must have satisfactory academic progress, as established by the Retention Tables indexes.
  - Must comply with other criteria established by the program to which the student seeks to be admitted.

Qualifying students will be admitted in descending order of general average if there is space in the requested program.

Courses taken at other units of the System, and whose equivalence has been established in the System’s Courses Equivalence Table, will be honored by the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. The University reserves the right to accept other approved courses for graduation purposes.

Transfers
Students Transfer from Universities outside the University of Puerto Rico’s System
Any student with studies at university level from an accredited institution outside of the University of Puerto Rico System will be considered as a transfer student applicant. Information about admission by transfer will be obtained from the Admission’s Office of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. Candidates should comply with the admission institutional requirements, as well as with the established requirements from the solicited program.

**Requirements**
1. Submit the admission request form with all the required documents within the period established on the academic calendar.
2. Have approved a minimum of 24 credits for associate degree programs and 30 credits for bachelor’s degree program with a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a scale of 0 to 4) or more.
3. Comply with the specific requirements of the solicited program.

Validation of Credits
The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao reserves the right to determine the number of credits and the courses to be validated for graduation on its programs. The validation of courses approved on institutions outside the University of Puerto Rico System will be made by recommendation of the department at the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao which offers instruction in the course subject for the consideration. The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao does not compromise to accept validations made on other System units, universities, or private colleges. Only courses approved with a grade of “C” or more will be evaluated for validation. The University will not accept more than 50 percent of the course work in the major completed at another institution, unless by special approval of the Dean for Academic Affairs. Validated courses will be documented on the student’s academic record but will not count for his/her academic average.

Readmission
Every student from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao who has obtained an associate or bachelor’s degree and who have been inactive during one semester or more, or that have been inactive during the semester with a total withdraw and wish to continue studies during the next semester, should request a readmission. Applicants must submit their application for readmission at the Registrar’s Office within the period stipulated in the academic calendar.
Reclassification

Students from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao may request to be considered for continuing studies in an academic program different from the originally admitted. Applicants should comply with the following requirements:

1. Apply for reclassification at the Registrar’s Office within the time established in the academic calendar of the corresponding semester.
2. Have approved at least 24 credits with the institution’s retention index at the end of the semester on which the reclassification is requested.
3. Have no debts with the Institution.
4. Have not been reclassified more than three times.
5. Meet the specific requirements of the program to which the student wants to request for reclassification.
6. Show evidence of vaccination against Hepatitis B; for students of Nursing and Occupational Therapy Departments.
7. Less than 24 credits approved in the University of Puerto Rico:
   - Must have satisfactory academic progress, as established by the Retention Tables indexes.
   - Must have an application general index value (IGS) of new admission greater than or equal to the minimum established for the year that the student was admitted.

Student selection will be in order of the academic index and in accordance with the stipulated space for each program. A student may be reclassified no more than three times.

Language of Instruction

Spanish is the language of instruction in most of the classes, but students should have a functional knowledge of English.

Registration

The Registrar is the custodian of the student’s academic records and runs the registration process. Students should complete their registration within the period established in the academic calendar. No student should register after the third day of classes on a regular semester, or after the first day of classes during a summer session; except for special cases and with the authorization of the Chancellor from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao.

New admission students must present a registration permit, evidence that they have met the requirements of the Medical Services Office and the Certificate of Admission signed and sealed by their high school’s principal. Students should complete all admission’s required forms in person. Each study program will be approved by the academic counselor, with the endorsement of the department’s director and of the Registrar from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. Registration will be final and official when the student has paid all registration fees and other fees and deposits in the Collector’s Office.

Students who do not complete the registration process during the established period will be withdrawn and must request readmission during the corresponding period set out in the academic calendar. Newly admitted students from high school who do not make official their enrollment, will need to submit readmission within the period indicated in the academic calendar, during a 3-year term beginning on the year admitted for the first time (Certification Num. 44-2015-2016, Governing Board). Admission of transferred students will be cancelled, and they will need to submit a new application to the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao for the corresponding semester. Students may make changes in their academic programs before the payment of the registration fees. These changes must be approved by their department’s director or department’s academic counselor and by the Registrar to make any changes.

Classification of Students

Students from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao are classified in one of the following categories:

Regular Students: Those who have met the admission requirements to an academic program, candidates to a degree, diploma, or certificate, who have been accepted to the corresponding academic program and have a full-credit program with at least 12 credits per semester in an undergraduate program.

Irregular Students: Those who have met the admission requirements, candidates for a degree, diploma, or certificate, who have been accepted to the corresponding academic program and have less than 12 credits per semester in an undergraduate program.

Transient Students: Those who come from other universities or units of the University of Puerto Rico System and take courses during a specific academic session in order to receive credit and grade for them.

Auditing Students: Those who may or may not meet the admission requirements to an academic program and have the interest to attend the course as a listener to obtain an academic grade, diploma, or certificate. They may attend classes with the authorization of the department’s director or the course professor. Then, the student will fill the forms for the appropriate authorization at the Registrar’s Office to complete the registration as an auditing student and pay the corresponding fees. Students will not receive an official grade nor credit for the work completed in the courses attended. Also, they will not be submitted to any assessment to demonstrate their academic achievement in the courses.

Honor Students: Those students that, due to their outstanding academic grade point average, meet the eligibility requirements established by the Honor Program of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao.
Academic Year

Regular Academic Year: The academic year consists of two semesters and the summer session. The first semester is from August to December and the second semester, from January to May. Semesters start and end according to the established dates on the academic calendar. The academic program of a regular student will consist of the courses as they appear in the yearly study plan, which is previously approved by the pertinent authorities. The student may have up to eighteen (18) credits, which could increase or decrease with the authorization of the department’s academic counselor or director.

Honors students, or those who are candidates for graduation for a specific semester, can have a maximum load of 21 credits as recommended by their academic counselor and with the approval of the department’s director. Students from Occupational Therapy may have a maximum load of 20 credits per semester.

Summer Sessions: A student may take up to two courses or eight (8) credits per summer session, whichever is higher, in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao, with a special permit, on another unit of the University of Puerto Rico or in a private university accredited by the Puerto Rico Education Council. Courses taken by a student in the summer session will be authorized by the academic counselor, the student department’s director, and the Registrar’s Office.

Withdrawals

Partial Withdrawals: Students will have the right to withdraw from any course during the period established in the academic calendar, after notifying the professor and the academic counselor. The student will submit the application of partial withdrawal through the University Portal.

The student will not receive a grade nor credit for the work completed on any course from which is withdrawn. The Registrar will record in the student’s academic record a “W” in each withdrawn course within the time limit established in the academic calendar.

Students are advised that federal regulations require that professors inform them of the last day on which the student attended class.

Total Withdrawals: A student has the right for a total withdrawal from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao at any moment and until the last day of classes. He/She may obtain the authorization of the officials specified in the Total Withdrawal Request form. The student will submit this form in the institutional portal. Once the student completes this process, the Registrar will enter a “W” on all the courses that the student is enrolled in the semester.

Students are advised that federal regulations require that professors inform them of the last day on which the student attended class.

Grading System

Unit of Instruction: In general, one credit is equivalent to one lecture or discussion hour. One hour of academic work is equivalent to a 50-minutes period. One semester consists of at least fifteen (15) weeks of instruction, excluding final examinations.

Grades: The grading system of the UPRH is the following: A, excellent (4); B, good (3); C, satisfactory (2); D, approved with deficiency (1); F, failed (0); P, passed; but excluded from the grade point average calculation; NP, not passed; I, incomplete; NR, grade not informed; W, authorized withdrawal; F*, stopped attending; NP*, stopped attending; W*, never attended; WP*, never attended.

Provisional Grades: A provisional grade or “Incomplete” may be assigned to a student with justified reasons, acceptable to the professor, when the student has not completed all the course requirements. An “F” grade or 0 may be assigned to the work part that the professor will consider for reposition and the corresponding provisional grade will be recorded. If the student completes the course requirements before the following semester ends, the professor will determine the new grade and will inform the change to the Registrar within the regulatory period. The final grade will never be lower than the provisional grade.

In case that the incomplete is assigned during the summer session, the professor will have until the deadline of the following semester to remove the provisional grades. If the student does not complete the course requirements within the established period, the provisional grade will be the final grade.

Repetition of Courses: Students may repeat, without restriction, courses where they have obtained a grade of D, F or NP. Only the higher grades will be considered for purposes of the academic and graduation index; but the lower grades will remain in the student’s academic record. The Dean of Academic Affairs may authorize the repetition of courses with a grade of C.

Academic Index: The academic average is a measure of the student’s academic achievement. It is computed dividing the total honor points by the total of cumulative credits in the courses from which the student has obtained grades, including those with incomplete or F. Points of honor will be assigned by credit per each grade, as follows: A, 4; B, 3; C, 2; D, 1; F, 0. Honor points will not be assigned for those courses approved with W, P or NP.

Grades obtained during the summer session will be included in the calculation of the academic index of the next academic year. Students under academic suspension are exempt from this rule. In this case, grades obtained during summer session will be considered for the calculation of the academic index of the current year.

Students from the Physical Therapy Associate Degree, Occupational Therapy Associate Degree, Nursing Sciences Bachelor of Science Degree, Arts in Social Work Bachelor’s Degree, Social Action Research Bachelor’s Degree (INAS, by its Spanish acronym), and from Office System Administration
Class Attendance and Examinations

Class Attendance: Class attendance is mandatory. Professors must record students’ absences and inform them to the Registrar when submitting the semester’s final grade report. Absences can have a negative effect on the course final grade and may cause the complete loss of credits, as determined by the regulations of the UPR Humacao. *Justified reasons for absences and exams reposition will be considered when the student presents written evidence of the situations, such as: court summons, illness, pregnancy, and birth complications, when the student is officially representing the Institution or any other circumstance that the professor considers justified. Not attending classes may negatively affect the student’s participation in the Financial Aid Programs. (*as amended by Certification Number 2001-02-80.)

Partial Examinations: During the semester, the minimum of evaluations per course will be three (3). One of the evaluations will be before the eight week of classes. At the beginning of the course, the professor must inform the student of the evaluation criteria to be used.

Final Examinations: Final examinations can be written, or in case that the course nature and pedagogical strategies of the professor requires other type of exam, it will be at the professor’s discretion to determine the nature of the final exam before it specification in the course syllabus. Each professor will evaluate the work carried out by the student using the appropriate methods for the discipline being taught. All evidence used by the professor to calculate the students’ grades should be available until the end of the following semester of the course taught. The programmed date of the final examination will not be changed without the authorization of the department’s director and of the Registrar.

Absence from Examinations: Students have the responsibility to attend all examinations. Those students who are absent from exams that where properly programmed, will receive a grade of “F” or cero on those examinations. The professor could determine to give a make-up exam if the student shows a valid acceptable reason.

Academic Progress

As part of the requirements to participate in the Financial Aid Programs, it is important that all students comply with the academic progress standards. Students must approve at least 24 credits per academic year in courses required in their curriculum. The Federal Pell Grant Program will pay only for the required courses and electives of the program on which the student is registered.

Retention Standards

Minimum General Requirements: A retention index is established according to the number of credits earned by the student (See Table I). All students that comply with the minimum academic index required at the end of each academic year may continue studies in the following semester.

Suspensions: Students that at the end of two consecutive semesters have an academic index lower than the corresponding retention index, will be notified in writing of their academic suspension if proceeds. This suspension will take effect in the semester following the one where the academic index of the student was lower than the corresponding retention index. When the cumulative index is lower than the necessary index to qualify for probation (See Table II), suspension will be automatic for the next academic semester. Suspension will be for 12 consecutive months.

Probation: When the cumulative index is lower than the retention index, but higher or equal to the necessary index to qualify for probation (See Table II), a probation period can be granted to the student.

Graduation Requirements

The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao reserves the right to make changes to the different programs and graduation requirements. The student has the right to graduate under the curriculum requirements that are effective at the moment of admission to the program. However, the student who does not meet the graduation requirements within the regular time assigned in the corresponding study program or who is readmitted after a period of absence, will graduate with the requirements applicable to the class on which is graduating and that were established at the moment of the admission. If curricular changes are made that benefit the student, they will be recognized in order to complete the graduation requirements.

To receive a degree, student should meet the following general requirements:

1. Be classified in the program from which the student request graduation at the time of completing the degree requirements.
2. Have a graduation index of at least 2.00.
3. Have approved the core courses of the program with an index of at least 2.00.
4. Students with a graduation average of 3.33 to 3.49 inclusive, will graduate "Cum Laude" (with honors); those with a graduation average of 3.50 to 3.89 will receive a "Magna Cum Laude" degree (with high honors) and the ones who complete studies with an index of 3.90 to 4.00 will graduate “Summa Cum Laude” (with the highest honor).
5. Have approved the last 30 credits in the UPRH. In exceptional cases, this rule can be avoided by decision of a committee formed by the Chancellor, the Dean from Academic Affairs, the director of the department from which the student is classified and the Registrar.
6. Submit a Graduation Request at the Registrar’s Office within the time limit stipulated in the academic calendar.
7. Have been recommended by the director and faculty of the program from which the student aspires to a degree.
8. Complete the requirements for the degree within the maximum period allowed:
   - Associate Degree:
     - Usual Time Required: 2 years
     - Maximum Time Allowed: 6 years
   - Bachelor’s Degree:
     - Usual Time Required: 4 years
     - Maximum Time Allowed: 10 years
9. Be free of debt or obligations with the Institution.

The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao celebrates its Graduation Ceremony once a year; at the end of the second semester of the academic year. Students that complete graduation requirements at the end of the summer session or in the first academic year may request a Graduation Certificate at the Registrar’s Office on which will be reflected that they have completed their studies.

Fees

For United States citizens and permanent residents in Puerto Rico:

- One hundred fifty-seven dollars per credit ($157.00) for students on a two-year program leading to an associate degree, plus the corresponding fees.
- One hundred fifty-seven dollars per credit ($157.00) for students in undergraduate transfer programs or programs leading to a bachelor's degree, plus the corresponding fees.
- Application for Transfer within the UPR System …$40.00 (includes three (3) official transcription of credits)
  - Late process …………………………………………….$52.50
- Application for Transfer outside the UPR System ,$50.00
  - Late Process ……………………………………………. $75.00
- Application for Readmission ………$35.00
  - Late Process …………………………………………….. $52.50
- Late Registration Charges …………………..$20.00
- Credit Transcripts (per copy) …………………...$ 5.00
- Special Permit ………………………………………….$35.00
  (Includes one (1) official transcription of credits)
- One hundred fifty-seven dollars per credit ($157.00) for irregular or transient students registered in undergraduate courses plus corresponding fees and additional charges.

Regular charges

- Application for Admission ……………………………..$20.00
- Annual Basic Medical Insurance ……………………. $947.00*
- Annual Basic Medical Insurance with Pharmacy …$2,270.00*
- Annual Basic Medical Insurance/Pharmacy/Dental ……………………..$2,603.00*

Special charges

- Laboratory course charges ……………………..$100.00 c/u
- Graduation Fee ………………………………………. $80.00
- Application for Reclassification …………………… $20.00
- Technology Fee ……………………………………… $50.00
- Maintenance Fee …………………………………….. $100.00

Other charges

- Summer maintenance fee ……………………………………… $50.00
- Partial withdrawals charge …………………………….. $10.00
- Total withdrawal charge ………………………………… $15.00
- Repeated course charge …………………………………. $20.00 per course

Regulations for Payment Process

Registration Payment Dateline

All registration general charges will be paid on the corresponding registration dateline, as specified in the academic calendar.

Deferred payment for Registration

The Students’ Dean is authorized to grant, in exceptional cases, a time extension for the registration payment. The student must request the deferment in advance before the specified day for his/her registration. On the day of registration, the student must pay thirty-three percent (33 %) of the credits charges plus all the regular and special corresponding fees. The final registration payment should be made no later than the dateline specified in the academic calendar.

Students who have not paid in total for the registration charges on the dateline specified in the academic calendar will not receive credit for the work completed. The Registrar will not emit credit transcriptions nor any official documents until all pending charges have been paid.

All payments should be made for the exact amount and in cash ($US) or by certified check or money order to the University of Puerto Rico. Cards, such as ATH, VISA or Master Card, can be used.

Honors Enrollment

Certification Num. 4-2019-2020, Governing Board

1. This financial aid applies only to undergraduate students.
2. The student must be enrolled in their second year (or in their second year of studies at the UPR, in case of transfers from other institutions), have a general index of 3.50 or more and be within the top four percent (4%) of the cohort of all regular students of their same first year of studies.
3. On academic programs organized by semester, student must have approved twenty-four (24) credits during his/her first study year and no less than thirty-six (36
credits on academic programs organized quarterly and in trimesters.

4. From now on, students must have approved no less than twelve (12) credits during the last session, have a general index of 3.50 or more and be within the top four percent (4%) of the cohort of all regular students of their same first year of studies.

Reimbursement

The last day to pay drop out and be entitled to 50% reimbursement for fees and deposit will be three days after the first day of classes. (Certification Number 2007-2008-80, Administrative Board) The reimbursement request must be submitted at the Registrar’s Office.
Deanship of Students Affairs
The Deanship of Students Affairs is responsible for the coordination of the best and continuous participation of students to an integral experience that will enrich the process of academic learning and their commitment to the campus community. Also, promotes and supervises the student’s services aimed at complementing the academic activity and the integral development of the student. From its offices of service and its cocurricular programs, a variety of activities are offered directed to reinforce an optimal mental, physical, and emotional wellness of the student admitted to the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. Furthermore, this Deanship coordinates artistic groups, students’ organizations, departmental student representation and athletes’ representation.

Mission
Enrich the University experience of the students using services that promote physical, emotional and mental wellness, the appreciation of cultures and other services that contribute to the achievement of their academic goals; and their participation in the extracurricular activities designed to complement the academic programs.

Vision
The Deanship of Student Affairs aims to join efforts of those offices that give support services to the students on an integrated way in order for the student to obtain a holistic, structured, human and scientific education tempered with the characteristics of the XXI Century student. Also, the Deanship intends to respond efficiently to the necessities of the students to contribute in their realization of their academic degree.

Dependencies under the Deanship of Students Affairs:
- Department of Counseling, Psychology, and Social Work Services
- Admissions Office
- Office of Services for Students with Disabilities
- Financial Aid Office
- Quality of Life Office
- Cultural Activities Office
- Health Services Program
- Athletic Activities Program
- Therapeutic Services Program
- Artistic groups
- Students Center

Admissions Office
The Admissions Office is part of the Deanship of Students Affairs of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. It is the first student’s contact with the University. The Office has the mission of promoting the University’s academic programs and ensure that eligible students have access to Higher Education, especially those in the Eastern area. The Office vision is to seek to automate all admission processes to guarantee an agile and efficient service to the students. It offers services to public and private high school students, and to students from other private university institutions in Puerto Rico and from other countries that are properly accredited by the agencies concerned, as well as to the public in general.

The office’s main functions are to disclose admission requirements for the different academic offerings, and to receive, process, and evaluate the admission applications for the programs offered by the Institution. Also, to admit the best students regarding their academic potential and their personal aspirations, by following the UPR procedures and certifications. The Promotion and Recruitment Area personnel give orientations throughout the year to high schools, public and private, about the academic offerings and the process of applying for admission to the UPR System. During the academic first semester, the “Open House”, an institutional annual activity, is organized where high school students are received and tours to the academic areas of interest are held.

Service hours are from Monday through Friday, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm.

Website: http://www.upr.edu/humacao/admisiones/
Phone: 787-850-9301

Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work Services
The Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work Services (from now on DSCPTS, by its Spanish acronym) staff includes a Director, four professional counselors, a clinical psychologist, one social worker and one administrative assistant. The Department offers counseling, orientation, and therapy services on personal, family, educational, vocational, and occupational areas to the UPRH’s student community. As part of these services, the Office gives referrals and consultancies to specialists in public and private dependencies. Consulting is offered to the university personnel of other offices in the handling of situations and to provide strategies in solving problems. These services are offered through individual, group and familiar interventions. Services offered are free of charge, confidential, and voluntary. Also, department professors intervene on crisis situations, whether individual or group basis, affecting the UPRH students’ performance. In addition, the course of Introduction to University Life is offered to first year students (INDT 3005).

On the other hand, as part of the Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work Services is the Occupational and Information Resources Center (CORI, by its Spanish acronym). This Center offers vocational counseling and orientation services about topics related to the different occupations and the work environment, post-secondary institutions, and applications for graduate schools’ admission exams, among others.
The Department responds to the necessity of the university community, encouraging an optimum environment for the teaching-learning processes and the student’s full development. Support is given to the non-teaching staff, faculty, and administration to enhance the quality of life and the education environment from the Institution. The DSCPTS is a counseling center accredited by the International Association of Counseling Services (IACS).

The Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work Services main purpose is to help students to manage their emotional and mental health problems, as well as to achieve their personal, academic, and occupational goals for a better student performance.

Website: https://www.upr.edu/humacao/dscpts/

Phone: 787-850-9361

Athletic Activities

The Athletics Activities Program is responsible for recruiting student-athletes, support personnel, and qualified trainers to comply with the institution’s sports calendar. Offers support services to co-curricular organizations endorsed by the Deanship of Students. Also, coordinates with national and international entities and athletic services for the participation of students in elective courses or services offered by the Education Department, the Continuing Education Division, or any other academic program from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. It is also responsible to certify to the Deanship of Students the individual or team representation of our institution in the annual Interuniversity’s’ Athletic League (LAI, by its Spanish acronym). Students who participate in these sports could receive benefits included in Certification Number 47-2019-2020, Governing Board. There are installations for swimming, softball, olympic wrestling, basketball, volleyball, track and field, field tennis, and other interuniversity competency events. Also, a Therapeutic Services Program offers services to students-athletes representing the institution, such as: counseling on sport rehabilitation, evaluation and treatment of physical therapy and physical fitness, among others.

Cultural Activities

The Cultural Activities Office is responsible for planning and presenting a program with activities of cultural nature on the different branches of arts for the university and surrounding community. Its main goal is to develop the intellectual potential of the students and of the university body by encouraging the integral development of the human being which leads to a cultural, moral, and intellectual renewal. The Office seeks to integrate the daily activities, achievements and concerns shared by a generation who confronts a world of globalization. Each student will have the opportunity to experiment live on different cultural forums with what has been learned in the classroom. Students will be able to see the development of a play. The historic period will come to life through music which will, at the same time, get them closer to the comprehension of things learned.

Promotes the presentation of theatrical, musical, dance, exposition, discussion forums about actual problems, and other activities.

The Office is located in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao Theater and its main objective is to contribute to the development of the intellectual potential of the students and of other members of the university community, by encouraging the integral development of the human being; women and men of a cultural, moral and intellectual renewal.

Objectives:

- Collaborate in activities of educational, cultural, or recreational nature which are offered by the academic departments and student organizations.
- Encourage the integration of students in literary, musical, and theatrical creations, by providing mechanisms for presenting quality works and offering the necessary support on other activities, such as contests, recitals, and the Voice Festival.
- Promote the university talent by presentations of the students in plays, pantomimes, dances, and musical groups.
- Co-sponsor the Collegial Dance Team, which has been distinguished, both within and outside the university community, for its excellence and dynamism.

Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Programmatic Office contributes to the achievement of the students’ academic and professional goals in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao, providing financial aid among the available resources. The funds come from federal, state, institutional, and private resources and are available through grants, student loans, and the Study-Work program. With this exercise, students can obtain financial aid from the resources applicable to their necessity, according to the established rules.

The office has Financial Aid officers individually assigned to each student by their last four (4) numbers of their student ID. The official directly guide and collaborate with the students to complete the different application processes and financial aids, among others:

- Information of the financial aid programs available in the institution, such as: grants, Study Work, and student loans.
- Procedure and verification of FAFSA application and student loans.
- Authorization for partial and total withdrawals.
- Certifications of financial aid required by different agencies.
- Application of partial or total withdrawals of the courses enrolled and their implications.
- Guidance on possible debts if not attending the courses enrolled.
- Correction to the grant application (FAFSA).

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4927-7309: Leticia Laboy | leticia.laboy1@upr.edu
7310-9999: Shakiralee Berrios | shakiralee.berrios@upr.edu
The basic requirements to qualify for the financial aid are:
1. Have been admitted to or currently enrolled in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao in a program leading to a degree and have submitted the Federal Financial Aid Application (FAFSA Grant) and the Institutional Aid Application.
2. Be a United States citizen or permanent resident.
3. Demonstrate an economic need through the information supplied in the application and submit the required evidence on those cases selected for verification.
4. Comply with the Academic Progress Regulations established by the University’s Central Administration and maintain the retention index required by the Institution to be considered as a regular student.
5. For males, be enrolled in the selective military service.
6. Have completed the High School requirements.
7. Be attending classes regularly; attendance to classes is mandatory.

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Phone: 787-850-9342

Health Services
The Health Services Program provides primary health services to the students. A coordinator provides health services during work hours. Orientation about health and preventive medicine is given to students and employees. The Program also coordinates fairs and ambulatory tests, among others. It oversees the updating of the students’ medical insurance plan and to offer the institution’s insurance plan.

Office of Services for Students with Disabilities (OSEI, by its Spanish acronym)

The mission of the OSEI is to offer services of excellence that guarantee integration and participation of students with disabilities in education, institutional services and in gaining access to UPR Humacao’s physical facilities. Also, to contribute in the achievement of their academic degree minimizing the obstacles by offering a variety of services: academic orientation; coordination of reasonable adjustments in the classroom; academic assistants; workshops and educational conferences; orientation and follow-up in the processes of the Registrar’s Office, referrals to the Vocational Rehabilitation Administration (ARV, by its Spanish acronym)); and other external community agencies, classroom to classroom transportation coordinated with the Security and Transit Office, among others. Eligibility to receive services is subject to the disability and for this, evidence from the specialist in the condition is required. The Office guarantee privacy and confidentiality, as established by law. The Office is located at the Student Services Building.

Website: http://www.upr.edu/humacao/osei-2/
e-mail: osei.uprh@upr.edu
Phone: 787-850-9383

Artistic Groups Program

Is the Program responsible of the coordination, development, evaluation, recruitment, and training of the UPRH student’s participation in the choir, band, Flag Bearers, Dance Team, Bomba Group, and theatre group. Students’ admission to these groups is processed through auditions at the beginning of each academic semester. Students that participate of these groups could receive tuition waiver benefits, as specified in Certification No. 4 (2019-2020) of the Governing Board, amended by Certifications No. 47 and 75 (2019-2020) of the Governing Board. All these groups represent the UPRH inside and outside of Puerto Rico on official activities, parades, concerts, and athletic events throughout the academic year.

Quality of Life Office

The Quality-of-Life Office seeks to raise awareness and educate the university community about a full and risk-free coexistence in the university environment. This can be achieved through the coordination of activities related to promoting healthy, well-being and safe environments. Also, faithful compliance with institutional policies is disclosed and promoted in accordance with existing laws, regulations, and standards. These in turn promote healthy lifestyles and prevent risky behaviors. Furthermore, in collaboration with the Student Research Area, the performance and lifestyles of the student body are studied so that risky behaviors are identified and strengthened through strategies that promote a safe and healthy campus.
Student Center

The Student Center has a coordinator that organizes meetings, participation, and student expression in their multiple extracurricular, social, and cultural manifestations. Offers logistic support to the institution’s academic departments and offices for the planning of individual, group or mass activities in its facilities. Has the permanent office of the UPRH Students General Council (CGE, by its Spanish acronym).
OTHER SERVICES

Cafeteria
Offers breakfast, lunch, and snacks from Monday through Friday, 6:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. It has a large dining area and a private area for special activities.

Security and Transit Office
The Security and Transit Office, along with a private security company, provides surveillance (twenty-four hours a day) in all the UPRH’s installations.

Website: http://www.upr.edu/humacao/seguridad-y-transito/
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Table II
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Academic Degrees Conferred in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao

Associate Degree in
- Electronics Technology and Nanotechnology
- Chemical Technology
- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy**

Bachelor’s Degrees
- Bachelor in Business Administration with major in:
  - Accounting
  - Management
  - Human Resources
  - International Commerce**
  - International Commerce Online**
- Bachelor in Office Systems Administration
- Bachelor of Social Sciences with Social Action Research*
- Bachelor in Elementary Education with major in Primary Level and Special Education
- Bachelor of Arts with major in:
  - Elementary Level English
  - Secondary Level English
  - Communication Technology
  - Studies of Puerto Rico and the Caribbean*
- Bachelor of Arts in Social Work
- Bachelor of Sciences with major in:
  - General Biology
  - Wildlife Management*
  - Microbiology
  - Coastal Marine Biology*
  - Physics Applied to Electronics*
  - Computational Mathematics*
  - Industrial Chemistry**
- Bachelor in Science in Data Science*
- Bachelor of Sciences in Nursing

* Unique programs in Puerto Rico (7)
** Unique programs in the UPR System UPR (4)
ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS
ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

ARTS
History and Objectives

The Social Sciences Department has shaped thousands of students who have assumed responsibility positions on public, private and third sector administrations, contributing to the economic, social, and political development of Puerto Rico. The Department has a highly qualified teaching body with wide research, teaching and community service background that promotes critical thinking, civic responsibility, and socially compromised research among students.

Academic Program

The Social Sciences Department offers a Bachelor of Social Sciences with Social Action Research (INAS, by its Spanish acronym).

Also, the Department’s faculty offers to the university community educational activities in Social Sciences, participates in educational and service projects for the community, especially in projects of social action, conducts social researches and produces publications.

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCES WITH SOCIAL ACTION RESEARCH

The main orientation of the Program is aimed to help graduates contribute on satisfying the needs and demands of the community sector, the third sector and of the Puerto Rico’s government in tasks related to the community organization, the research and the knowledge systematization, the popular education, the economic development, the self-management, and other similar tasks.

The program’s curriculum is based in the methodology and the instructional strategies provided or derived from the model of participatory action research in the Social Sciences. This model offers:

- An innovative teaching methodology based in the practice, research skills and attitudes development tied to action and in curriculum contents based on these guidelines.
- Curricular contents that connect teaching-learning, research and service.
- A transdisciplinary approach that implies the creation of work groups formed by people from several disciplines to allow for a "simultaneous approach" and a "common analysis" of problems.
- Involvement of the community in the students’ educational and investigative process
- Prepare the student for the continuation of graduate studies in several disciplines of social sciences or in related fields, including communication, public administration, economy, criminology, psychology, criminal justice, planning, law, labor relations and sociology, among others.

Curricular Sequence

Summary of credits:

General Education requirements........................................53
Major requirements..........................................................39
Social Sciences courses.......................................................12
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Notes:
1. Students must obtain at least a grade of C to approve the core courses. These courses require fieldwork.

2. The student must take three of the following Social Sciences courses: CISO-3011, ECON-3005, PSIC-3005, GEOG-3155, ANTR-3005.
3. This course will be offered every two summers. The student must take the course in the summer after the second or third year, depending on when the course is offered.
4. The following courses are recommended among others: FILO-3005, FILO-4471, HIST-3305, TEAT-3011, TEAT-3012, TEAT-3191, TEAT-3192, FRAN-3201.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

ANTR-3005. ANTHROPOLOGY PRINCIPLES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Anthropology is the comparative study of humanity. It combines the study of human biology and the learned and shared patterns of human behavior called culture. It includes the discussion of physical anthropology and the principles of evolution, as well as the contribution of archaeology, cultural anthropology, and linguistics. The human being is analyzed as a complete organism that adapts to his/her environment through a complex interaction of biology and culture.

CISO-3011. PRINCIPLES AND PROBLEMS OF POLITICAL SCIENCES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course familiarizes the student with its study method. Analyzes ideological beliefs, basic problems, and general types of institutions and political systems.

CISO-3025. POLITICAL SYSTEM OF THE UNITED STATES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Will study the historical background of the United States constitutional government on which it is based. Also, will analyze the structure of this government at national level and the particular style of its political process with emphasis on separation of powers, federalism, and the role played by groups of interests and political parties.

CISO-3035. POLITICAL SYSTEM OF PUERTO RICO. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Historical and analytical study of the government of Puerto Rico from 1898 to the present; institutions developed during the period 1898-1952; the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; the political process in Puerto Rico; the legislative, executive, and judicial branches; municipal governments and the relationship between Puerto Rico and the United States.

CISO-3065. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3011. Corequisite(s): None. The nature of international relations, nationalism, militarism, armaments; history of international relations; foreign policy; democracy functions; international organizations.

CISO-3125. HISTORY OF DIPLOMACY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. History of the diplomatic method from the renaissance to the present. The course will examine the use made of said method.
in the most transcendental international events during this era. Efficiency and defects of the diplomatic method will also be discussed.

CIPO-4016. GOVERNMENT AND POLITIC OF THE MIDDLE EAST. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Historical and analytical study of the constitutional and political development of the Middle East countries.

CIPO-4065. PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CIPO-3011. Corequisite(s): None. Description and judicial analysis of concepts, principles, and problems that arise from relationships between units and national policies.

CIPO-4095. POLITICAL SYSTEMS OF THE CARIBBEAN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CIPO-3011. Corequisite(s): None. Constitutional, political, and governmental development and practices in countries of the Caribbean area, including the Antilles, Mexico, Central America, Columbia, and Venezuela.

CISO-3056. DIMENSIONS AND SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF TECHNOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the historical and social processes that have conditioned the development of technology and its impact on society, work, education, and culture.

CISO-3085. SOCIETY AND CULTURE OF PUERTO RICO. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122, SOCI-3245. Corequisite(s): None. General analysis of the Puerto Rican society through its cultural manifestations. The origins and social effects of these manifestations are studied. Concepts of nation, national and cultural identity, social classes, modernization, and social and cultural change are examined.

CISO-3121. INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL SCIENCES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is oriented towards the comprehension of the social forces that have built the world we live in. The student is introduced to the analysis of basic problems in contemporary society, such as the incorporation of the individual in society and social, political, and economic problems, inserting Puerto Rico in this process.

CISO-3122. INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL SCIENCES II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of the course CISO-3121.

CISO-3155. FUNDAMENTALS OF STATISTICAL REASONING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122, MATE 3001 o MATE 3077 o MATE-3008. Corequisite(s): None. The course purpose is to teach the basic concepts of statistical reasoning to the student, as well as the mechanics involved when computing basic statistical measurements applicable to socio-psychological problems. Emphasis is given to why and when to use determined measurements and their limitations.

CISO-3187. SOCIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF WOMEN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. In this course, roles assigned to women and men through the social and historical processes are discussed. The course also will examine how the process of socialization fosters differences in conduct between men and women.

CISO-4042. APPLIED STATISTICAL INFERENCE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3077. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the methods which permit us to infer from limited data (samples) what is true about a larger collection of data (universe).

ECON-3005. INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. The course introduces student in the theoretical knowledge and application of the foundations of economics: concept and historical perspective, fundamental problems, analysis method, foundations of microeconomics, foundations of macroeconomics, and contemporary and future problems.

GEOG-3016. WORLD GEOGRAPHY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. World Geography offers an introduction to the contemporary world, emphasizing spatial processes that define its distribution. To achieve this, the principal regions of the world are comprehensively examined. The course presents a global view of the physical, economic, differential, and regional articulation processes around the world. The following factors that intervene in their development are evaluated: physical and human content, advantages and disadvantages, barriers and interrelationships, potential, and general overview. Also, presents different geographical perspectives. These areas include culture; levels of economic development; agricultural and industrial bases; demographics, population, and their impact; physical environment; and regional connections. The main topic of this course emphasizes the interconnection of all regions of the world.

GEOG-3045. POPULATION GEOGRAPHY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Study of population distribution and growth as well as characteristics and factors of change: birth rates, death rates, and migratory tendencies. Emphasizes how demographic and socio-economic variables interact with each other in the physical world to produce particular characteristics in the population. This course also analyzes the demographic processes that influence Puerto Rico, and its internal and external population.

GEOG-3101. GEOGRAPHY OF THE CARIBBEAN ISLAND. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO 3121-CISO 3122. Corequisite(s): None. The Caribbean Geography course gives an overall view of the physical, economic, political, and social processes that explain the spatial organization of the Caribbean area on different scales. The course gives an introduction of how the physical-biological (climate, topography, vegetation, etc.) and cultural (language, ethnicity,
music, food, politic, and others) processes are combined to develop a large variety of environments and scenarios in the Caribbean region, emphasizing in the spatial processes which defines its distribution. It integrates the studies of the landscape implications on the flora, fauna and social organization in the island environments. Also, considers the historical impact of European colonialism, slavery-servitude, and the causes and effects of the human migration on the Caribbean islands. Similarly, different geographical perspectives are presented. These areas include culture, economic development levels, agricultural and industrial basis, demography, population, and its repercussion in the physical environment of the Caribbean and its regional interconnections.

**GEOG-3155. ELEMENTS OF GEOGRAPHY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Identification, analysis, and systematization of physical and cultural elements of the land space as they exist in interrelation and interconnection. The goal of this course is to create awareness about the harmonic role of human beings and their environment.

**GEOG-3165. GEOGRAPHY OF PUERTO RICO.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): GEOG-3155. Corequisite(s): None. An intensive geographical analysis of Puerto Rico, its most important physical, biotics and human traits: regionalization of Puerto Rico and appreciation of its environment. The relative importance and implications of Puerto Rico’s position in the Caribbean will be emphasized.

**INAS-3021. FUNDAMENTALS OF PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course is an introduction to social action research. In it, the fundamentals of participatory action research, participant community and citizen participation for community development are discussed. The course has a practical focus on a way that students can reinforce said concepts. Introduces students to community work in Puerto Rico and to the process of participatory action research. Also, provides a general view of the professional field of research and social action. It points out the integration of theory and practice in social research and initiates the student into the process of this integration. It emphasizes the reflection process about the construction of knowledge and integration among theory and practice. Visits to a variety of organized communities are integrated.

**INAS-3022. INTRODUCTION TO THE COMMUNITY PROCESSES IN PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INAS-3021. Corequisite(s): None. The course has a practical approach; students manage to strengthen the concepts of Action Research, Participatory Research, participant community and citizens’ participation from the same communities. Provides a general view of the professional field of research and social action. Points out the integration of theory and practice in social research. Most of the activities are focused on the community service centers or on the communities, since the course focus is practice. These research experiences are designed in a way to illustrate and reflect about the central concepts of action research. The course includes the development of a pre-proposal of research with the community and contains continuous activities of reflection, documentation and theorization in a way that guarantees a systematic process of the construction of knowledge.

**INAS-4000. PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS EVALUATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-4042. Corequisite(s): None. Pretends to develop in students the capacity to evaluate programs of social intervention which will build their action field as a professional. Apart from highlighting the importance of the evaluation process, the course establishes the differences in terms that usually are associated with evaluation and the different models. The course will take students through the general steps of the evaluation process.

**INAS-4001. METHODOLOGY OF PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH I.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): INAS-3022. Corequisite(s): None. This course constitutes the core curricular component about methodology of the participatory action research (IAP, by its Spanish acronym) and the communal organization of the social action research program. Consists of a sequence of four courses. Community and neighborhood concepts are discussed from different perspectives. Theoretical and practical aspects of the community organization and its socio-cultural and political context are studied. Presents a general view of the historical development of a community organization and the elements that have contributed or limited this collective action. Participatory IAP methodology is studied. Merging of research and social practice is presented as a fundamental orientation of this methodology in order to know the reality and transform it. Strategies and skills for the practice of communal organization, the identification and formation of leaders, and community movement are also objects of study.

**INAS-4011. METHODOLOGY OF PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH II.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): INAS-4001. Corequisite(s): None. This course is the second core curricular component about the methodology of Participatory Action Research (IAP, by its Spanish acronym) and the communal organization of the Social Action Research program. The methodology of participatory IAP is studied. Merging of research and social practice is presented as a fundamental orientation of this methodology in order to know the reality and transform it. The identification and study of needs and problems with the involvement of the population concerned is considered as the basis of the research process. This process assumes mutual learning and understanding among researchers and communities. Research is presented as an element that must lead to a formulation and execution of specific actions. Strategies and skills for the practice of communal organization, identification and formation of leaders, and community movement are also objects of study.
INAS-4021. METHODOLOGY OF PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH III. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): INAS-4011. Corequisite(s): None. This course is the third course from the core curricular component of the methodology seminar in participatory action research (IAP, by its Spanish acronym) and the communal organization of the social action research program. Participatory IAP methodology is studied. Merging of research and social practice is presented as a fundamental orientation of this methodology in order to know the reality and transform it. The research process assumes mutual learning and understanding among researchers and communities. Research is presented as an element that must lead to a formulation and execution for the communal organization practice, identification and formation of leaders, and the community movement are also objects of study.

INAS-4031. METHODOLOGY OF PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH IV. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): INAS-4021. Corequisite(s): None. This course is the fourth course from the core curricular component of the methodology seminar in participatory action research (IAP, from its Spanish acronym) and the communal organization of the social action research program. Participatory IAP methodology is studied. Merging of research and social practice is presented as a fundamental orientation of this methodology in order to know the reality and transform it. Research is presented as an element that must lead to the formulation and execution of specific actions. The strategies and skills for the communal organization practice, identification and development of leaders, and the community development are also objects of study.

INAS-4045. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ORGANIZATION IN THE CARIBBEAN. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Course designed to extend the students’ cultural knowledge and horizons through experiences of diverse countries. The course promotes experiences exchange among students on participatory research projects and community organization in Caribbean countries. The intent is to expand the professors’ and students’ environment beyond the University walls, turning them towards a coexistence of the community where they live and work. The course consists of two mutually interrelated components: theory and practice. The theoretical component is aimed at the acquisition of introductory knowledge by the students about the Caribbean region. The historical development of the area, the sociocultural characteristics, the political economic models, as well as the geopolitical view of the region, is studied.

PSIC-1005. APPLIED GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. General introduction to psychology for students from the technical course. Principles and basic theories of psychology in a pragmatic reference framework are discussed; gives special emphasis to their application.

PSIC-1006. HUMAN RELATIONS IN THE INDUSTRY. Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Application of psychology basic concepts in the industrial scenario, especially to the communication process in interpersonal relations and in the employee’s motivation. Discussion of the basic concepts in an organization’s supervision and management and its direct relation with the company’s productivity.

PSIC-3005. GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY. Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course offers a sample of the basic topics in psychology and the scientific method as an instrument of study in this discipline. Studies the basic issues of an individual and society, as well as several approaches and methodology to solve these problems.

PSIC-3006. SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY. Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): PSIC-3005. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a psychological approach of social life from the individual’s perspective, the institution’s psychology, and the social conflicts. Also, presents a critical analysis of the relation between culture and personality.

PSIC-3007. PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT. Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): PSIC-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Studies the personality in its development process and the different theories on this topic.

PSIC-3048. GROUP DYNAMICS. Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): PSIC-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the forces or basic social processes in the situation of groups that determine the behavior of the group and its members. These processes are studied through group experiences and analysis which permit to develop sensibility toward group processes and towards the individual behavior.

SOCI-3005. CRIMINOLOGY. Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course examines the different conceptualizations and theories for the explanation of crime and criminality. Violence, crime, and criminality are studied from a social perspective. Emphasis is given to crime and violence in the Puerto Rican society. Its historical background, different dimensions and manifestations and the existing methods for justice are studied.

SOCI-3055. JUVENILE DELINQUENCY AND ITS PREVENTION. Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. The course begins with a discussion of basic concepts about juvenile delinquency. The problem of delinquency is discussed from different perspectives. Students are exposed to the several theories about the causes of crime and delinquency. An analysis is made of the relation between social, political, psychological, economic, and cultural factors and their relationship with the juvenile delinquency problem. Also, special legislation about minors, agencies, services aimed at prevention and the intervention with the young delinquent is analyzed, especially in Puerto Rico. In the course, situations are analyzed and discussed, and the student will examine the ethical and
valuation aspects that could arouse in their intervention with the community.

**SOCI-3245. PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY.** Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course intends to discover the basic structure of human society, identify the main forces that hold groups or weaken them and learn the conditions that will transform social life; in addition, analyses and interprets the social data in a scientific way. The course seeks to develop in the student its own opinion regarding nature and the role of sociology in society and, specially, in the Puerto Rican context.

**SOCI-3247. SOCIOLOGICAL THEORIES.** Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): SOCI-3245. Corequisite(s): None. Presents the range of theories produced by Sociology. Theorists are clustered in three large groups: (1) Marx and conflict theory; (2) Weber and functionalism; (3) modern approach of exchange, symbolic interactionism, and ethnomethodology.

**SOCI-3265. METHODS AND TECHNICS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH.** Credits: 3. Labor hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3155, SOCI-3245. Corequisite(s): None. The course consists of two phases: the theoretical study of sociological and anthropological research designs, including theories, problems, hypothesis, definitions of variables, sampling techniques and analysis and interpretation methods; an empirical research where theoretical concepts and methods will be applied.

**SOCI-3315. SOCIOLOGY OF THE FAMI.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122, SOCI-3245, SOCI-3247. Corequisite(s): None. Sociocultural and sociological study of the family, origin, and development until present day. The crisis of the traditional family in modern industrialized societies and the emergence of the nuclear family. New contemporary forms of family life, premarital relations, divorce, widowhood, and their social implications. An analysis will be made of the Puerto Rican family, its changes, and future tendencies.

**SOCI-4505. QUALITATIVE RESEARCH.** Credits: 4. Labor hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): SOCI-3245. Corequisite(s): None.

Introductory course to the methods and techniques of qualitative research. Its focus is on participant observation, the recording of observation notes, the interview techniques and in transformation of data field into an ethnographic document. The course covers the techniques of analysis of content and documents, case studies, and life histories. It points out the methodological, theoretical, and practical aspects that researchers confront when using these methods. The course includes fieldwork equivalent to three hours per week for five weeks.

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History and Objectives

The Department of Communication was established in 1971, offering a study program leading to an Associate Degree in Audiovisual Communications. The Program was created responding to the increasing development of educational technology and to the demand of audiovisual technicians in Puerto Rico. As a result of the expansion and complexity of the information technology world, and the incursion of digital technologies on graphic arts, audio, television and photography fields, the academic program was revised. In August 2003, the curricular revision was approved and the new program leading to an Associate Degree in Communication Technology was also approved.

This program was designed to provide students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed in the emerging world of technological and informational innovations. The program educated personnel in communication technology to serve the increasing demands of the Puerto Rican society in education, public service, industry, and commerce.

In June 2012, the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Communication Technology was approved. The Bachelor’s Degree attends the needs in the world of informatics to prepare professionals capable to responsibly solve the challenges in a world of digital multimedia technologies. The Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology offers two areas of interest or emphasis: Graphic Design and Audio and Video. Also, the Department of Communication offers courses of Educational Technology for the Bachelor program in English.

The Department of Communication has: laboratories for Graphic Design in 2D and 3D Animation with MAC and PC platforms; two Digital laboratories and a Traditional one for Photography; a Photograph Study; an ample Television Study with cameras and system for recording and transmit via Internet in HD; an ample Study for Audio recording with a digital console and Pro Tools System; seven Video Work Stations with Final Cut systems, three Audio Work Stations and a modern Radio Studio.

On 2020, the program of BA with a major in Communication Technology was accredited by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (ACEJMC).

Academic Program

The Department offers a study program leading to the following academic degree:

**BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH MAJOR IN COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES**

*With (2) Areas of Interest or Emphasis in:*
- AUDIO AND VIDEO &
- GRAPHIC DESIGN

The Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology forms communicators better prepared in the area of multimedia digital technologies. Some courses that distinguish the program are: Traditional and Digital Media Literacy, Advanced Video and Audio Production, Animation and 3-D Graphics, Integrated Promotional Communication.

Curricular Sequence

**Curriculum of the Bachelor of Arts with major in Communication Technology – Graphic Design**

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**Two of the following convergence courses:**
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- COMU4008 Production of Interactive Multimedia
- COMU4009 Animation and 3-D Graphics

**Spanish courses that the student can choose from:**
- ESCO3001 Psychology of Written Communication I
- ESCO3002 Psychology of Written Communication II
- ESPA3201 Introduction to Literary Genres I

**Social Sciences courses that the student can choose from:**
- ANTR3005 Anthropology Principles
- CIPO3011 Principles and Problems of Political Sciences
- CIPO3025 Political System of the United States
- CIPO3035 Political System of Puerto Rico
- CIPO3065 International Relations
- CIPO3125 History of Diplomacy
- CIPO4016 Government and Politic of Middle East
- CIPO4065 Public International Law
- CIPO4095 Politic Systems of the Caribbean
- CIISO3056 Social Dimensions and Consequences of Technology
- CIISO3085 Society and Culture of Puerto Rico
- CIISO3155 Fundamentals of Statistical Reasoning
- CIISO4042 Applied Statistical Inference
- ECN3005 Introduction to Economy
- GEOG3016 World’s Geography
- GEOG3045 Geography of the Population
- GEOG3155 Elements of Geography
- GEOG3165 Geography of Puerto Rico
- INAS3021 Fundamentals of Participatory Action Research
- INAS3022 Introduction to Communitarian Processes in Participatory Action Research
- INAS4000 Programs and Projects Evaluation
- INAS4045 Communitarian Development and Organization in the Caribbean
- INTD3308 Problems of the Urban Environment
- PSIC1006 Human Relations in the Industry
- PSIC3005 General Psychology
- PSIC3006 Social Psychology
- PSIC3007 Personality Development
- PSIC3048 Group Dynamics
- SOCI3005 Criminology
- SOCI3055 Juvenile Delinquency and its Prevention
- SOCI3245 Principles of Sociology
- SOCI3247 Sociological Theories
- SOCI3265 Social Research Methods and Techniques
- SOCI3315 Sociology of the Family

**Humanity courses that the student can choose from:**
- ARTE3111 Drawing I
- ARTE3112 Drawing II
- ARTE3116 History of Art – Compendium
- ARTE3117 Basic Painting (2 credits)
- ARTE3118 Art in Puerto Rico
- ARTE3002 Art in the Caribbean
- ARTE3415 Anatomic painting
- ARTE3435 Theory of Color
- FILO3003 Introduction to Philosophy
- FILO3005 Introduction to Ethics
- FILO3240 Puerto Rican Philosophical Thought
- FILO3241 Modern Philosophy in the Hispanic Caribbean
- FILO3242 The Philosophy of History
- FILO3243 Philosophy of Language
- FILO3244 Asian Philosophies in the Caribbean
- FILO4031 Logic I
Liberal arts courses that the student can choose from:

**Education**
- EDFU3001 Human Growth and Development I
- EDFU3002 Human Growth and Development II
- EDFU3007 Social Foundations of Education
- EDFU4019 Philosophical Fundamentals of Education

**Spanish**
- ESCO3001 Psychology of Written Communication I
- ESCO3002 Psychology of Written Communication II

**English**
- INGL3001 British Literature I
- INGL3002 British Literature II
- INGL3003 Intermediate English I
- INGL3004 Intermediate English II
- INGL3201 Grammar, Composition and Analytical Reading I
- INGL3202 Grammar, Composition and Analytical Reading II
- INGL3221 Introduction to Literature I
- INGL3222 Introduction to Literature II
- INGL3231 Advanced Expository Prose Writing I
- INGL3232 Advanced Expository Prose Writing II
- INGL3252 American Literature II
- INGL4067 Special Topics of American Literature
- INGL4206 Modern English Grammar: Morphology and Syntax
- INGL4215 Contemporary Novel
- INGL4235 Structural and Syntactic Analysis of English and Spanish
- INGL4325 Language Acquisition
- INGL4326 Children’s Literature
- INGL4327 Adolescents’ Literature
- INGL4328 Linguistics and Reading
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**COMU-3006. INTRODUCTION TO PHOTOGRAPHY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course studies the basic principles of photography through the digital camera and its historical background until the present. Study subjects include: traditional and digital photography, camera as a communication instrument, photography in the communication field, use of technologies and software, traditional and current processes, optic and lenses, theories and concepts about composition, design, lighting, depth of field, resolution and storage, photography as art and the different branches of photography, including advertising photography. The teaching methodology guides the student to exploration, analysis and discussion of information relevant to the learning concepts, theories, tendencies, techniques and skills. Guided and individualized practices are offered in the use of photograph equipment, use of computers and software related to the course, the implementation of procedures, as well as in portfolio elaboration. **Note:** Two lecture hours and two laboratory hours per week.

**COMU-3008. INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF COMMUNICATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is a requirement for students of the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. It is also offered as an elective for students from other bachelors. Presents a history of the study of human communication. Conceptions of perception, codification, meaning, persuasion, rhetoric, propaganda, information, and communication are analyzed and evaluated. Elements of the communication process are distinguished, and several communication models are evaluated. Communication relations are compared with languages, technology, education, ideology, culture, and society.

**COMU-3009. FUNDAMENTALS OF WRITING FOR AUDIOVISUAL MEDIA.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a requirement for the area of Audio and Video of the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Communication Technology and, it is also offered as a free elective for students of other bachelors. Discusses and practices different writing techniques for the media. Analyzes qualities, characteristics, and formats of mass
communication media. Discusses the content of several radio and television programs to point out concerns of ethical and legal nature to be considered when writing for the media. Students are motivated to be more careful and responsible with written, auditory, and visual languages.

COMU-3010. INTRODUCTION TO GRAPHIC DESIGN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is a requirement for students from the area of Graphic Design of the Bachelor Program in Communication Technology. Studies the theoretical and practical foundations of graphic design and discusses and applies the fundamental guides of esthetical order, the analysis of graphic design elements and the general rules for their application. It is noted the importance of color as a graphic resource and relates the student with its application on different graphic communication media. It emphasizes the practical phase, critical study, and the design of simple graphic communication media. Skills to facilitate and accelerate the process of graphic communication are developed. Note: Two lecture hours and three laboratory hours per week.

COMU-3018. FUNDAMENTALS OF VIDEO PRODUCTION. Credits: 3. Laboratory hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3009, COMU-3118. Corequisite(s): None. The course is required for students in the Audio and Video sequence of the BA Major in Communication Technologies. It serves as an introduction to television production processes and to the theoretical aspects of television. It discusses the elements of production and their application to the production of videos in different formats. It also explores the theory and practice of television management, operation of video equipment, audio, and lighting.

COMU-3116. DIGITAL GRAPHIC DESIGN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3010. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a requirement for students in the emphasis area of Graphic of the Bachelor in Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. Introduction to computer technology and to the use of programs for original designs elaboration. Analysis and application of the elements and graphic design principles on the creation and production of graphic material. Note: Two lecture hours and two laboratory hours per week.

COMU-3118. PRINCIPLES OF ACOUSTICS AND STUDIO PRODUCTION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): COMU4115. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a requirement for Audio and Video sequence in the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. It is addressed to the creative design of sound to be applied to the different audiovisual media. Emphasis will be given to the different techniques for the design and postproduction of studio recordings, production of special effects and music. Also, students may master those recording techniques using specialized equipment. Note: Two lecture hours and two laboratory hours per week.

COMU-3119. GRAPHIC PRODUCTION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3006, COMU-3116. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a requirement for the student in the area of Graphic Design of the Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology. A conceptual and practical framework is provided for the making of traditional and electronic graphic material. Analyzes the process of planning, design and production of graphic design and the application of new technologies to graphic arts. Emphasis will be given to project production of high complexity, such as the making of a website, a magazine or newspaper and an electronic catalog or portfolio. Note: Two lecture hours and two conference hours per week.

COMU-3120. ADVANCED VIDEO AND AUDIO PRODUCTION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3018, COMU-3118. Corequisite(s): None. The course is a requisite for students in the area of Video and Audio of the Bachelor in Arts with Major in Communication Technology. This course deepens in the aspects of planning, preparation, production, and post-production of several video program formats as well as in other technical aspects, especially in edition techniques. Also, the course provides experience in the production of different types of television programs. The students will master television production techniques through demonstration and the intensive management of the equipment in the studio and exteriors. Emphasis will be given in the processes of pre-production, production and post-production of video and the audio for it. It goes deeper into the techniques of post-production on analog and digital systems, as well as in the evaluation and criticism of television programming. Note: Two lecture hours and two laboratory hours per week.

COMU-3207. TRADITIONAL AND DIGITAL MEDIA LITERACY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3008 o CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a requisite for students of the Bachelor in Arts with Major in Communication Technology. Also, it is offered as an elective for students of other majors. It explores the influence of communication media in society. It analyzes how the messages of the communication media, particularly digital ones, influence our thinking and feelings at an individual and collective level. Active and critical forms of interpreting media messages are identified and applied, with emphasis in advertising messages. Finally, the national and international communication flows are analyzed. It emphasizes the development of writing skills.

COMU-4007. PRINCIPLES OF COMPUTER ANIMATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3120 o COMU-3119. Corequisite(s): None. This course is one of the options for the requirements of convergence in new technologies of the Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology. Studies the basic principles of animation and its historical background until today. Study subjects include art of animation history, animation in theatre and television, traditional and electronic animation, script and “storyboard” of animation, programs used in industry,
elements of graphic design in an animation, audio, and ethical considerations of animation. Emphasizes practices aimed at the use of programs and produces a simple project of bi-dimensional (2-D) animation. Note: Two lecture hours and three laboratory hours per week.

COMU-4008. INTERACTIVE MULTIMEDIA PRODUCTION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is one of the options for the convergence courses requirements in new technologies of the Bachelor in Communication Technology. Introduction to the concept of multimedia and its applications in the production of media and materials for the area of communication and informatics. Analysis and uses of different programs for multimedia and the implementation of basic principles of design in the production of interactive multimedia. Also, includes the study of several multimedia production models, as well as written conceptualization and instructional design of multimedia productions. Note: Two lecture hours and three laboratory hours per week.

COMU-4009. 3-D ANIMATION AND GRAPHICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): COMU-4007 and COMU-4008. Corequisite(s): None. This course is one of the options for the convergence courses requirements in new technologies of the Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology. Advanced principles of animation are studied. Study subjects include programming languages for animation, fundamentals of 3-D computer animation, and the discussion of more complex problems. Guided practices are offered in the use of software. Guided practices in the use of three-dimensional animation software (3-D) are emphasized. A simple 3-D animation project is developed. Note: Three lecture hours and two laboratory hours per week.

COMU-4010. ADVANCED PHOTOGRAPHY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3006. Corequisites): None. Elective course for students of the Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology. Also, is an elective for students of other programs who have approved COMU-3006 – Introduction to Photography. The course emphasizes analysis, processes applications, creative and commercial techniques in 35mm digital format. The following study subjects are presented: photojournalism, photographic documentary, and advertising photography. Students may compare photographic language with other languages used in the communication media and discern it from visual, auditory, and written languages. The teaching methodology used guides the student to the exploration, analysis, and discussion of relevant information for the learning of concepts, theories, tendencies, and skills. Guided practices in the use of photographic equipment and materials and the opportunity of making a portfolio are offered.

COMU-4115. WRITING, RETHORIC AND DIGITAL MEDIA. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3006. Corequisite(s): None. The course is required for the Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology. Is a specialized course and requires advanced knowledge in graphic production or video and audio production. Through methodologies of research and report, students will identify and apply the basic skills and knowledge of drafting, written rhetoric, and digital rhetoric; will evaluate the use of written communication and its interaction with the coding of static image, moving image and of the sound. It is expected that students will be able to integrate text, images, video, and sound to a multimedia production, combining the senses of purpose, situation, and audience, framed in the rhetorical concept.

COMU-4116. FILM HISTORY AND LANGUAGE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is an elective for students of the Bachelor in Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. It is also offered as a free elective for students of other bachelors. Students explore the different perspectives and histories of film. Film perspectives: film as a reality; film as an articulation of reality and fantasy. Film histories: film as technological media; film as art; film as business; film as culture and entertainment; and film as history. Students also will appreciate a sample of world film, with emphasis in Puerto Rican and Latin American film.

COMU-4125. WRITING AND STYLE IN JOURNALISM. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3006. Corequisite(s): None. The course is a requirement for students of the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. Also, it is offered as an elective for students of other bachelors. A history of the study of human communication is presented. Analyzes and evaluates conceptions of perception, coding, significance, persuasion, rhetoric, propaganda, information, and communication. Elements of the communication process are distinguished, and different models of communication are evaluated. Compares the communication relations with languages, technology, education, ideology, culture, and society.

COMU-4126. AUDIO DESIGN AND POST-PRODUCTION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3118. Corequisite(s): None. This course is an elective for students of the Bachelor of Arts with Major in Communication Technology and is targeted at the creative design of sound to be applied to the different audiovisual media. Emphasizes the different techniques for the design and post-production of studio recordings, synchronism (lips-sync), and production of special effects and of music. Students will be able to master those techniques of recording using specialized equipment. Note: One lecture hour and two laboratory hours per week.

COMU-4127. EDUCATIONAL COMMUNICATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3008, COMU-3120 o COMU-3119. Corequisite(s): None. This course is an elective for students of the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. The course is directed at preparing students in the uses and applications of communication and information theories and media in an educational environment, whether in the industry, personnel training or in solving specific problems. Studies the instructional models compared to the communication models,
the impact of communication media in the development of the educational process, the design, development and evaluation of instructional production systems and production media of high technology, applicable to private industry and to public sector. Guided practices in the use of technological equipment and the opportunity of creating projects using the available forefront technologies are offered.

COMU-4128. ETHICS, LAW AND COMMUNICATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3008, HUMA-3022, COMU-3207. Corequisite(s): None. The course is a requisite for students of the Bachelor Program in Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. Also, it is offered as an elective for students of other bachelors. Studies how human beings have used morals, ethics, and law to socially communicate throughout history. From this history, the main laws and regulations related to communication media in Puerto Rico are analyzed. Once established the historical and legal background, they are analyzed using the case method and the professional practices (practices related to the gathering of information, content production or messages diffusion) in communication media in the following areas: truth; intimacy (including the right to a fair trial); sources confidentiality; conflict of interest; marketing; antisocial behavior; pornography; social justice; stereotypes; popular culture: esthetical and moral; copyrights and Internet.

COMU-4129. INTEGRATED MARKETING COMMUNICATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3119 or COMU-3120. Corequisite(s): None. The course is a recommended elective for students in the Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. The course is a specialized one and requires advanced knowledge in graphic production or in video and audio production. Through methodologies of research and report, students will identify and apply the skills and basic knowledge of marketing, publicity and public relations; in addition, will evaluate the planning and implementation of Integrated Marketing Communication campaigns from private companies, governmental agencies and non-profit organizations.

COMU-4326. RESEARCH IN COMMUNICATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMU-3008, COMU-3207. Corequisite(s): None. This is one of the two options for complying with the requirement of an inclusive course of the Bachelor Program in Arts with Major in Communication Technology. The student will apply concepts and methods of the courses from the Bachelor to develop research projects related with interpersonal, group, organization, or massive communication. The course will give emphasis to the research of production and consumption of messages through the communication media. In the context of project research design, the student will explore the philosophical concepts and the theories that sustain several social research perspectives.

COMU-4336. SUPERVISED PRACTICE IN COMMUNICATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 10. Prerequisite(s): COMU-4008, COMU-4009 or COMU 4007. Corequisite(s): None. This is one of the two options for complying with the requirement of an inclusive course of the Bachelor Program in Arts with a Major in Communication Technology. Its approach integrates the competencies developed in the program, through supervised practice in a work environment. Offers the students learning experiences in the design and production of material for video, graphics, and audio, allowing them to apply theory and contemplate the Professional Communication processes. The learning assessment will allow to refine the competencies, permitting products of quality, esthetical sense, compromise, cultural value, and ethical conduct. In addition to the practice hours, students will attend seminars weekly in order to share experiences, develop a professional portfolio and explore their professional development. Note: Two lecture hours and eight practice hours per week.

FACULTY

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PIÑERO CÁDIZ, HÉCTOR R. Full Professor PhD, 2016, Center for Advanced Studies of Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, Puerto Rico

RAMÍREZ MUÑOZ, MIRIAM. Full Professor, PhD, 2015, Pontifical University of Salamanca, Spain.

YUKAVETSKY COLÓN, GLORIA J. Full Professor, MA, 1991, University of Sacred Heart, Puerto Rico.

History and Objectives

The Bachelor in Elementary Education with major in Primary Level and Special Education prepares elementary school teachers with the knowledge, methods, and techniques necessary for an excellent performance on primary level in public and private schools of Puerto Rico. This program was established in 1978 with the objective of helping in the Puerto Rico nation’s development. Also, prepares the future teacher to work with students presenting exceptional characteristics within the regular groups, as well as with students with limitations that require service of different learning locations and environments. The graduate will be able to perform in several work scenarios which are characterized by diversity and socio-educational dynamism.

Among its installations is the Preschool Demonstrative Center (CDPRE, by its Spanish acronym). The services offered by this Center are aimed at the integral development of children between three and five years of age with severe problems of speech-language (special education) and another group of children of five years in a regular Kindergarten that serve as a model and as a less restrictive alternative. The CDPRE serves as a clinical scenario for students of Education, other UPRH departments and other campuses of the System, as well as private universities. Also, serves as a laboratory for students making field observations and assignments for their courses. In addition to the educational services provided by teachers and teachers’ assistants in the CDPRE, the Preschool group receives related services by the Puerto Rico’s Department of Education (DEPR, by its Spanish acronym), such as: speech pathology, psychology, occupational therapy and physical therapy, depending on the students’ particular needs. The UPRH offers social work services to the Center. Children, preschoolers as well as those in Kindergarten, also receive the DEPR school cafeteria services and participate jointly in social, recreational, and cultural activities of the Center and the University. The education and related services are free.

Academic Program

The Department offers a study program that leads to the following academic degree: Bachelor in Elementary Education with a Major in Primary Level and Special Education. Prepares and retrains teachers to work in the elementary level (kindergarten up to third grade) of the public and private system. In addition, the program has a Special Education component to capacitate teachers in the areas of special conditions.

In 2009, the Bachelor in Elementary Education with a major in Primary Level and Special Education was recognized by the

National Association for the Education for Young Children (NAEYC) and, subsequently, in 2010 was accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

BACHELOR IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION WITH A MAJOR IN PRIMARY LEVEL AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

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Certification in Special Education. With the special education courses, students of our program may complete the Teacher Certification in Special Education, 18 credits. *Required courses for the Certification in Special Education.

### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION

**EDES-3006. DIAGNOSIS AND CORRECTION OF READING AND WRITING DEFICIENCIES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES-4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course offers students the necessary competencies to teach, diagnose and correct deficiencies in a student’s reading and writing, when presented. Examines the methods, techniques and
strategies that meet the specific needs of this population, taking in consideration the wording of the goals and objectives of the Individualized Educational Program (PEI, by its Spanish acronym). Also, students are exposed to planning, teaching-learning materials, assistive technology equipment, and learning evaluation based on the theoretical and practical fundamentals of the reading and writing teaching process at the elementary level.

**EDES-3205. TECHNOLOGICAL ASSISTANCE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION.** Credits 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course includes the acquisition of knowledge pertaining to the world of technological assistance and the development of the necessary skills in order for the future teacher to facilitate the success of the exceptional student in the classroom. It will emphasize the different technological tools created to promote this student’s learning and the strategies that could be used for their maximum development. This course is necessary for the certification of Special Education teachers.

**EDES-4015. NATURE AND NEEDS OF CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES-4006. Corequisite(s): None. Basic course of psychology and principles of education for the child with intellectual disability. Offers the teacher the necessary background for a better understanding of the educable, trainable, and dependent child with intellectual disability. Among the study subjects are: 1) the use of psychometrics tests to diagnose, clarify and predict conduct of the intellectually disabled on educative and social situations; 2) the meanings, nature, causes and types of intellectual disabilities and prevention; 3) the educational programs and the rehabilitation of the intellectually disabled; and 4) orientation to their parents.

**EDES-4016. METHODOLOGY AND CURRICULUM OF CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES-4006, EDES-4015. Corequisite(s): None. Students will have to take this course before the practice. It offers the student experience on the adequate techniques and methods for teaching the intellectually disabled and educable children on the different curriculum areas and the application of the psychological theories and laws of learning in their teaching. Give emphasis to the study of the special curriculum, preparation of teaching materials, as well as to the diagnosis and individualization of teaching in the education of the intellectually disabled and educable children.

**EDES-4025. TEACHING THE CHILD WITH SPEECH DEFICIENCIES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES-4006. Corequisite(s): None. General concepts and new tendencies in the education of the child with speech deficiencies. Relates these deficiencies with the child’s conduct in the classroom and provides teachers with new techniques and materials in order to work with the academic achievement of this type of student.

**EDES-4026. TEACHING THE CHILD WITH HEARING-DEFICIENCIES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES-4006. Corequisite(s): None. Seminar about the analysis of problems related with teaching the child with auditory deficiencies, analysis methods and techniques for developing the language in a hearing-impaired child; training in hearing and reading. Emphasis will be given to the implementation of practice in the teaching of hearing-impaired children.

**EDES-4028. NATURE AND NEEDS OF THE CHILD WITH VISUAL DEFICIENCIES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES-4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course offers an introduction to sociological, psychological, and pedagogical problems caused to exceptional children by an impairment. The children’s nature and the areas of need are emphasized and an introduction to the concepts, techniques and materials used when teaching the child with visual deficiency is offered. Part of the course includes visits to agencies, use of professional resources, observation and information structures about the visually impaired child, and supervision and prevention methods for visual problems in a regular classroom.

**EDES-4036. SENSORY FUNCTIONS AND THEIR EDUCATIONAL IMPLICATIONS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES-4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course intends to offer a sensorial approach to general medical information, inferences, and case studies analysis, which will provide a practical presentation of clinical conditions, causes and diseases related to sensory difficulties which have educational implications in the children and adolescents learning process.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

**EDFI-3028. FUNDAMENTALS OF SWIMMING.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is aimed at non-swimmers. Includes the explanation and demonstration and students will execute the basic movements in different styles of swimming. Also, includes historical facts about its origin.

**EDFI-3029. JUDO.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course offers the student the basic auto-defense techniques through a series of progressive organized practices that emphasizes theory and execution simultaneously.

**EDFI-3046. BASKETBALL.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. In this course, the game’s basics and fundamentals skills are explained and demonstrated. Also, includes the origin and history and an analysis and discussion of the system rules that govern the participation in this sport.

**EDFI-3105. SIMPLE ORGANIZATION GAMES.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course includes an introduction to the scope of movements and their role in human development. Emphasizes the use of movement as a teaching instrument. Includes a laboratory in
which the movement functions are analyzed. These activities are held at the Elementary Public School of the area.

**EDFI-3355. SKILLS AND FUNDAMENTALS OF GYMNASTICS AND SOFTBALL.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Teaching of calisthenics exercises and gymnastics activities and their importance in the development and strengthening of the different body regions. Fundamental skills of softball and its importance as a recreational activity.

**EDFI-3451. TENNIS.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed for people who do not know how to play tennis. Includes explanation and demonstration and students will execute the basic movements in each game skills. Also, includes the origin and history and an analysis and discussion of the rule system that governs the participation.

**EDFI-3625. BASEBALL AND VOLLEYBALL.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course includes an explanation and demonstration, and students will execute several basic movements in each skill of these games. Also, includes a brief historical data about their origin and history. In addition, the course analyzes and discusses the rules that govern participation and the game tactics.

**FREE ELECTIVES**

**EDES-4201. PSYCHOSOCIAL NATURE AND FUNDAMENTALS OF AUTISM AND THEIR IMPLICATION IN EDUCATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES 4006. Corequisite(s): None. The course is aimed to critically define and analyze the different concepts, characteristics, and classifications of autism. Emphasis will be given to the existing perceptions of the autism students and to recommendations about treatment through the psychosocial theories of Behaviorism and Cognitivism. Also, reference is made to their ethology and prevalence in modern times. As part of this course, research on aspects related to autism will be done. The course studies the educational implications of this type of exceptionality. Reference is made also to the inclusion as an alternative for placement and in technological support as an educational and therapeutic tool.

**EDES-4202. COMMUNICATION METHODS FOR AUTISM STUDENTS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES 4006. Corequisite(s): None. The course is aimed to critically define and analyze the different concepts, characteristics, and classifications of autism. Emphasis will be given to the existing perceptions of the autism students and to recommendations about treatment through the psychosocial theories of Behaviorism and Cognitivism. Also, reference is made to their ethology and prevalence in modern times. As part of this course, research on aspects related to autism will be done. The course studies the educational implications of this type of exceptionality. Reference is made also to the inclusion as an alternative for placement and in technological support as an educational and therapeutic tool.

**EDES-4203. BEHAVIOURAL MANAGEMENT OF THE AUTISM STUDENT.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES 4006. Corequisite(s): None. The course will analyze the different meanings of the concept behavioral management as part of the educational process of autism students. The principles of behavioral management will be examined from the different psychological theories point of views (Behaviorism, Cognitivism, Psychodynamic, and Humanism, among others). In this analysis, reference will be made to the educational implications that they have in the educational process of the autism student. As part of the process, research projects will be developed to evaluate recent findings in this field and to know how these contribute to ample the existing knowledge in the area of behavioral management of this type of student.

**EDES-4204. EDUCATIONAL METHODOLOGY OF THE AUTISM STUDENT (PART I).** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES 4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course begins defining and analyzing the main concepts of the course and, later, the principles that should apply the educational methodology for the autism student will be proposed. As part of the process, the methodology used for the typical student will be compared to the one recommended for this type of exceptionality. Also, the necessary competencies for the creation of strategies, methods, and techniques to educate the autism student will be develop, and they will be applied as a basis for planning and drafting the educational objectives. Research and observations of the autism student educational process will be made.

**EDES-4205. EDUCATIONAL METHODOLOGY OF THE AUTISM STUDENT (PART II).** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDES 4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course is of practice type and begins analyzing the standards and expectations of the autism student education. Then, criteria to guide the methodology for the autism student will be established considering the standards, expectations, and the suggested criteria. Also, the strategies, methods, and techniques studied on the first part of the course will be analyzed. The content main part is the development of an educational plan and the presentation of a demonstrative class. With this educational plan, a worksheet with specifications to evaluate the performance of the student will be created. The critical reflection of the demonstrative classes made by the teacher candidates is an important part of this course.

**EDFU-3017. TESTS OF ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION OF LEARNING.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-3002. Corequisite(s): None. Fundamentals of diagnostic and improvement of teaching in the classroom through tests and assessments, statistical techniques with a study of the exams prepared for teachers of the intelligence tests (IQ tests) and other tests, and their use in the classroom.
EDFU-3046. TEACHING OF HEALTH IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-3001, EDFU-3002. Corequisite(s): None. The course will provide an overall view of the scholar health program to be developed from kindergarten through twelve grade on public and private schools of our island. The main emphasis will be in the scholar health program assigned to elementary level, this is from kindergarten up to sixth grade. This course pretends to identify and analyze the basic health concepts that an elementary school teacher should have for a more effective teaching. Will emphasize in the development of attitudes.

EDFU-4007. PRINCIPLES OF RESEARCH IN EDUCATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course has the purpose of familiarizing students with the techniques and methods of scientific research. It will attempt to develop an incipient ability to identify problems and hypothesis and to interpret data related to the pedagogy field.

EDEP-3036. TEACHING OF ENGLISH AT PRIMARY LEVEL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3102. Corequisite(s): None. Study of principles that govern the teaching of English as a Second Language, methodology, procedures, and techniques used in the teaching at the primary level. Textbooks and other material used in Puerto Rico are studied. Daily plan and teaching learning process evaluation are also considered.

EDUC-4899. SEMINAR OF EDUCATIONAL TOPICS IN THE WORLD – STUDY TRAVEL. Credits: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study trip where teacher candidates, and students of related disciplines, are exposed to the sociocultural perspective of a specific country in which the educational system is considered exemplary or that constitutes a differentiated or innovative model. The course is designed to potentiate de candidate development as a reflexive and effective educator, through the experiential learning cycle and clarification of his/her learning style. Furthermore, each participant is expected to broaden and deepen their perspective of the school as a social institution, of education and of life, in the global and critical context that reality demands. The multicultural experience will give each candidate the opportunity to integrate into the learning community undertaken with differentiated activities as a participant observer. The visited scenario will allow to exercise his/her competencies and dispositions (diversity, creativity, leadership, and social transformation) in a autonomous way, in order to validate an emancipatory and empowering learning process for his/her professional life.

CORE AND CONCENTRATION

EDES-4005. EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCES IN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-3002, EDES-4006. Corequisite(s): None. Discusses widely the more common deviations of conduct in children and adolescents, possible causal factors of these and some needs, whether therapeutics or educational, that may provide in these cases. Offers the student the opportunity to relate and evaluate some of the best-known approaches for the prevention and intervention of conduct disorders in children and adolescents. Ends with a general view of the latest innovations in the aspect of treating children and adolescents with deviations of conduct.

EDES-4006. NATURE AND NEEDS OF THE EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-3002. Corequisite(s): None. Offers a general view of psychological and educational needs of the learners with different exceptionalities. Etologies, characteristics and treatments, legal and philosophical basis, discipline tendencies, and programs of educational intervention and community services are studied. Laboratory and/or field experiences in regular or special classrooms are required.

EDFU-3001. HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT I Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Studies human nature and its relationship with the teaching-learning process and how affects the growth and development of children and adolescents. Studies the nature factors and environmental conditions that contribute to the development of a healthy person. Methods of psychological research applied to pedagogy give special emphasis to the study of the behavior of a scholar child, with a biopsychosocial perspective.

EDFU-3002. HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT II Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-3001. Corequisite(s): None. Studies the psychological principles that explain the teaching-learning process and the conditions that affect them. Part of it is dedicated to the evaluative study process with special attention to the principles aimed at the construction on educational tests and scholar promotion.

EDFU-3007. SOCIAL FOUNDATIONS OF EDUCATION Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. The course studies the analysis of social sciences and its relationship with the educational process and with the school as a social institution. Includes a study of the human cultural heritage and the roles of education in preserving and improve it, the integration of education with life and community and human group institutions, behavior of groups regarding school problems, the social role of the teacher and the relation among social changes and school.

EDFU-3026. PROCESS OF VALUE FORMATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HUMA-3022. Corequisite(s): None. This course seeks to prepare the student to comprehend the nature of the value clarification process. In the explanation of it, it is considered the serious ethical compromise of all teachers concerning their contribution to the strengthening of the value hierarchy in each human, especially on the preschool and primary level child. Will give special attention to modern techniques used to develop the core of the course, which is the value clarification process.

EDFU-3028. FAMILY AS AN AGENT OF SOCIAL CHANGE Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-
3007, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course intends to relate the future teacher with the nature of the family as a social institution. It is vital for the explanation of this course the comprehensive analysis of the impact of social change in Puerto Rico and the tremor caused in society in general, in school and particularly in the child. The Puerto Rican situation merits a strong attempt that humanize the educational process. This course responds to that ethical imperative.

EDFU-3045. PARTICIPANT OBSERVATION IN THE CLASSROOM. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. It is important for the future teacher to establish contact with current problems in the school environment. The course consists of two laboratory hours per week in a school and one lecture or seminar hour per week in the classroom. Through the laboratory hours, the future teacher shares different experiences with classroom teachers and their students in a real scholar environment. While the lecture hour per week offers the opportunity to the future teacher to analyze and discuss the school experiences with the course professor and to revise inherent information to the magisterial profession and his/her vocation.

EDFU-4019. PHYLOSOPHICAL FUNDAMENTS OF EDUCATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HUMA-3022. Corequisite(s): None. Studies the existing relation between philosophy and the pedagogical task. Introduction to the basic problems of philosophy, with special emphasis on educational implications. Also, studies possible schemes for the eventual creation of an education philosophy for a Public Education system. It is a class to observe the implementation of these curricular programs in accordance with the different actual designs and contents.

EDPE-3002. LANGUAGE ARTS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3102. Corequisite(s): None. This course seeks to familiarize the future elementary school teacher with the global nature of language arts and the particular implications for development and cultivation of our language. By this, we will combine efforts to achieve a clearer view about the importance of the child’s linguistic development as part of his/her personal growth.

EDPE-3006. METHODOLOGY OF TEACHING SOCIAL STUDIES IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL K-3. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3122, EDFU-3007. Corequisite(s): None. This is a required course for all elementary school teacher aspirants. The course seeks to offer the future teacher the preparation regarding this curricular area and its teaching. Special attention will be given to concepts and generalizations feeding the content of social studies. The social studies curriculum components of elementary school will be analyzed, with emphasis on primary level K-3 grades.

EDPE-3011. TEACHING MATHEMATICS IN THE ELEMENTARY LEVEL K-3. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3131. Corequisite(s): None. This course seeks to offer the future teacher of elementary school the conceptual and methodological framework of teaching mathematics. Also, presents the student-teacher the structure of the content of K-3; as well as the recommended approaches by the Department of Education’s mathematics program. Will analyze the recommended texts, teacher’s guides, workbooks, and supplementary materials to carry out the teaching-learning process.

EDPE-3029. THE TEACHING OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN THE PRIMARY LEVEL. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course allows the student to develop skills to organize, select, lead, execute and evaluate movement activities that stimulate the perceptual motor development of the primary level child. Attention will be given to the articulatory aspect that exists between physical education and other disciplines.

EDPE-3031. TEACHING OF READING AND WRITING IN PRESCHOOL AND PRIMARY LEVEL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-3002. Corequisite(s): None. The teaching of reading and writing on preschool and primary levels. Give emphasis to the study of the skills taught, and analyze aspects related with the organization and development of a program relevant to the preparation, initial and development stages in both parts. Considers the selection and use of reading and writing techniques and materials in the actual programs. Emphasizes the instruction of teaching methodologies, including the curricular integration. It is complemented with clinical experiences.

EDPE-3041. METHODOLOGY IN THE TEACHING OF SCIENCE IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL K-3. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s) CIBI3001, EDFU3001. Corequisite(s): None. The student-teacher will relate and use the science processes as discipline (observation of recognition and the use of numerical relations, measurements, recognition and use of time-space relations, classification, communication, inference, and prediction), which will integrate him/her to the study and analysis of laboratory exercises on the different branches of science. The selected exercises to be used for the study and analysis will be given by the existing programs within the public education system and from any innovative program in this area. The approach will be of analytic descriptive type. It will include visits to classroom laboratories to observe the implementation of these curricular programs in accordance with the different designs and current contents in the Department of Public Instruction.

EDPE-3057. DIAGNOSTIC AND EVALUATION OF LEARNING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course prepares the future teacher to recognize, analyze and conceptualize, critically and practically, the diagnostic dynamic, the evaluation processes, and their effective application on preschool and primary levels respectively. During the course, emphasis will be given in the development of clinical professional experiences systematically organized.

EDPE-4007. CHILDREN’S LITERATURE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDFU-3002. Corequisite(s): None.
General principles of literature and its pedagogical application on the elementary level. Analysis of techniques and proper methods for the study of literary works for children and youngsters. Word value in its different meanings, approaching the students closer to reality of the Puerto Rican child.

EDPE-4025. PRACTICE TEACHING IN ELEMENTARY LEVEL. Credits: 6. Lecture hours per week: 15. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3006, EDPE-3011, EDPE-3041, EDPE-3031, EDPE-4078. Corequisite(s): EDPE-3057. The principal scenarios or laboratories of Practice Teaching are the Puerto Rico public or private schools. In these, the teacher candidate (CM, for its Spanish acronym) will participate actively in the educational process of the children. As part of it, the CM will plan, execute, and evaluate the students’ work. Concurrently, CM will familiarize the student with the administrative procedures inherent to the profession. Also, will develop and participate in activities that involve community immersion in the educational process. As a complement to the educational practice, the CM will attend various seminars where reflection will be made about the classroom experiences and enriching activities will be given for their professional development.

EDPE-4075. CREATIVE EXPERIENCES IN PLASTIC ARTS, MUSIC, AND THEATER FOR ELEMENTARY LEVEL K-3. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Integrated course of the basic skills in the use of color, motion, rhythm, feeling, sound, volume, surface and space and their relationship with plastic arts, music, and theater in elementary level K-3. Laboratory and/or classroom field experiences are required.

EDPE-4078. INTEGRATION OF THE COMPUTER AS TECHNOLOGY FOR EDUCATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3006, EDPE-3011. Corequisite(s): None. This course includes a theoretical and practical study, which instructs the student in the use of the computer. Includes the usage of the most common programs to be used in the development of educational processes where knowledge is accessed, processed, and constructed. Includes, in addition, the management of international communication networks with the purpose of familiarizing the student with their use in order to access and process information from different parts of the world. Attention will be given to ethical variables concurrent with the uses of information networks. Also, attention will be given to the development of knowledge and technical skills on the computer as a tool for creating an educational methodology.

EDPE-4095. TEACHING IN KINDERGARTEN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The student-teacher is guided to comprehend the importance of the child’s activity, as it manifests in their natural tendency to play, explore, experiment, and solve problems. The teacher candidate will have the opportunity to develop the skills, activities and knowledge needed to perform his/her duties as a counselor and facilitator of learning.

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History and Objectives

The Spanish Department offers general first and second year courses for students of all academic programs of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao. Also, offers specialized courses in Spanish, Hispanic American and Puerto Rican Literature for the academic programs of Humanities and articulated transfers and, in substitution or equivalence for the second-year requirement in Spanish, to the students in the Bachelor’s Program of Chemistry, Physics and Biology of the UPRH. The first-year students who approve the Advanced Level Spanish Exam (College Board of Puerto Rico) may opt for regular second year courses (according to their curricular sequence, ESPA-3201, ESPA-3202 or ESCO-3001, ESPA-3002) or for the specialized Spanish courses (according to their curricular sequence or particular preference, ESPA-3211, ESPA-3212, ESPA-4221, ESPA-4222 o ESPA-4231, ESPA-4232).

As forums of professional, cultural, and institutional expression, the Spanish Department also sponsors the annual edition of the Cuadrivium journal (professors) and the annual edition of the Vértigo tabloid (students), in newspaper format.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ESCO-3001. PSYCHOLOGY OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATION I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3102. Corequisite(s): None. The course of Psychology of Written Communication I discusses the composition, linguistic, stylistics, grammar, ethics, psychology, and logic of the communications, also includes the basic concepts of informatics. It is designed with the purpose of facilitating and promoting conditions for the students to master communication skills, express themselves fluently, exert leadership, and make decisions of logical, psychological, and ethical character in the work environment. Note: Also, may have approved the Advanced Level Test of CEEE as a prerequisite.

ESCO-3002. PSYCHOLOGY OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATION II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESCO-3001. Corequisite(s): None. The Psychology of Written Communication II course, in addition to discussing the composition, linguistics, stylistics, grammar, ethics, psychology and logic of communication, includes the basic contents of informatics.

ESPA-3005. SPANISH WORKSHOP. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): See Note. Corequisite(s): None. The Spanish Workshop is a course centered in developing and refine the basic Spanish skills in the reading context. Exposes the student to practice experiences that prepares him/her to correctly compose as well as to comprehend the reading. This course ensures that the student acquires a better dominion of orthography, vocabulary or lexicon, syntax and of the structure or composition of the paragraph, as well as it qualities. Note: It will be a requisite for first year student admitted to the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao who have obtained 494 points or less in the Spanish Achievement section of the CEEE. Is a prerequisite of the course ESPA-3101.

ESPA-3006. WRITING AND COMPOSITION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): See Note. Corequisite(s): None. This course proposes to prepare the student to develop a series of writing strategies when confronting a task that requires written composition. The course points out the study and practice of writing through workshops and a series of systematic writing exercises. The writing process is presented as an essential tool for students learning. Similarly, the course provides for writing composition, a complex activity that involves several sub-processes, to be done considering stylistic elements. From this perspective, students can apply their learning to their respective disciplines or majors. Note: ESPA-3101, ESPA-3102. Is an elective course. It is recommended the approval of courses ESPA-3101 and ESPA-3102 before taking this course. ESPA-3006 can be taken simultaneously or after other courses of the Spanish Department that are requisites of the different study programs. These courses are: ESPA-3201, ESPA-3202, ESCO-3001, ESCO-3002, ESPA-3211, ESPA-3212, ESPA-4221, ESPA-4222, ESPA-4231 and ESPA-4232.

ESPA-3101. BASIC SPANISH I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): See Note. Corequisite(s): None. The Basic Spanish I course is part of the component of General Education and uses reading and writing to develop the linguistic skills in the academic context. Exposes the student to literary experiences that prepare him/her to value the different contemporary cultural manifestations. This course honors an introduction to the study of Spanish language. Seeks that the student achieves the maximum dominion possible in the language arts, particularly in respect to the arts of speaking, reading, and writing. Studies the contemporary literary discourse of Spanish, Hispanic Americans, and Caribbean authors, in the light of current topics. Note: Requisite: 495 points in the Achievement Spanish Exam of CEEE or ESPA-3005.

ESPA-3102. BASIC SPANISH II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3101. Corequisite(s): None. The Basic Spanish II course is part of the General Education component and uses reading to develop the linguistic skills in the academic context. Exposes the student to literary experiences which prepare him/her to value different contemporary cultural manifestations. This course ensures
that the student acquires the necessary skills to compose a research paper. Particularly, emphasizes the procedure of quoting correctly and in the ethical use of information. Continues with the development of language arts and with the study of contemporary literary discourse of Spanish, Hispanic Americans, and Caribbean authors, in the light of current topics.

**ESPA-3201. INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY GENRES I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3102. Corequisite(s): None. Can be substituted by ESPA3111-3112, ESPA4221-4222 or ESPA4231-4232. This course studies the distinctive elements and characteristics of the literary narrative discourse: story and novel. Studies the literary work of representative authors from Hispanic literature, with emphasis in Hispanic American authors. The genre development is made in a schematic form and its evolution in time is examined. The genre development in Spanish literature will serve as a basis to know its evolution in Hispanic America, to which we belong. **Note:** The student may have also approved the Advanced Level Exam of CEEB as a requisite.

**ESPA-3202. INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY GENRES II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3201. Corequisite(s): None. Can be substituted by ESPA3111-3112, ESPA4221-4222 or ESPA4231-4232. This course studies the distinctive elements and characteristics of the essay, lyric and drama literary discourse. Examines the literary production of representative authors from Hispanic literature, with emphasis in Hispanic American authors. The genre development is made in a schematic form and its evolution in time is examined. The genre development in the Spanish literature will serve as a basis to know its evolution in Hispanic America, to which we belong. **Note:** The student may have also approved the Advanced Level Exam of CEEB as a requisite.

**ESPA-3211. INTRODUCTION TO SPANISH LITERATURE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3102. Corequisite(s): None. The course proposes to conduct a panoramic study of the methods of literary representation used by creators in Castilian language, from its origin in the Middle Age to the XVI century. The evolution process of peninsular literature is presented through the tendencies and more representative periods, such as the Medieval and the Renaissance. The students are exposed to several discourse manifestations, mainly literary: narratives, poetic and dramatic. **Note:** The student may have also approved the Advanced Level Exam of CEEB as a requisite.

**ESPA-3212. INTRODUCTION TO SPANISH LITERATURE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3211. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a continuation of ESPA-3211. In this context, the course will continue to study the literary moments within the main currents, authors, and representative selections of Spanish literature from the Golden Age to present time.

**ESPA-4221. HISPANIC AMERICAN LITERATURE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3102. Corequisite(s): None. This course presents a historical panorama of the cultural and literary work in Hispanic America, from Pre-Hispanic, colonial and independence periods to the time of modernism consolidation in the Hispanic American republics. **Note:** The student may have also approved the Advanced Level Exam of CEEB as a requisite.

**ESPA-4222. HISPANIC AMERICAN LITERATURE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-4221. Corequisite(s): None. This course presents a historical-literary panorama of the Pre-Hispanic, colonial and independence periods to the time of Hispanic Americans republics consolidation, in order to achieve a better linguistic competency.

**ESPA-4231. PUERTO RICAN LITERATURE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3102 Corequisite(s): None. This course offers a panoramic view of the Puerto Rican literature, from its origins to the vanguard movements. Studies and analyses literary works from representative authors. **Note:** The student may have also approved the Advanced Level Exam of CEEB as a requisite.

**ESPA-4232. PUERTO RICAN LITERATURE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-4231. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a study of Puerto Rican Literature from the generation of the thirties to the contemporary period, and of the principal works and authors.

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Also, offers specialized courses in History, Art, Literature, Drama, Music, French and Philosophy. Our students can participate in theatrical plays, pictorial expositions, and study travels to Europe or Latin America and Asia. The Department has a group of exceptional professors known for their knowledge, classroom teachings, research, publications, conferences, awards, and abroad recognitions, among others.

**BACHELOR IN ARTS WITH MAJOR IN STUDIES OF PUERTO RICO AND THE CARIBBEAN**

**Curricular Sequence**

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*May opt for: CIBI3001 and 3002, Fundamentals of Biology I and II (CIBI3001 and 3002), or Introduction to Physical Sciences I and II (CIFI3001 and 3002).*

### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**ARTE-3002. ART IN THE CARIBBEAN.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course examines Caribbean art since colonial times to present. It studies perspectives and visions of art in the Caribbean. Compares different artists that exposed their individual styles as a Caribbean expression. We will study and discuss definitions and art proposals about what is Caribbean art and its relations with artistic activities and its society in which it is produced. We will analyze painting and sculpture art in depth.

**ARTE-3111. DRAWING I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. The teaching of drawing and composition, use of different means and techniques, using nature or human figure as base and starting points. Can be replaced with ARTE 3125 from Rio Piedras.

**ARTE-3112. DRAWING II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: ARTE 3111. The teaching of drawing and composition, use of different means and tactics, uses nature or human figure as base and starting point. Can be replaced with ARTE 3126 (Drawing of the Human Figure) from Rio Piedras.

**ARTE-3115. ART APPRECIATION.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite: None. Study of the general concepts of art, considering the historical context, the formal and composition elements in the visual arts.

**ARTE-3116. HISTORY OF ART – COMPLEMENTUM.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. The art history process seeing within its complete historical context, aimed at the comprehension of contemporary art. A comprehensive chronological order is followed to facilitate the study of this ambitious plan.

**ARTE-3117. BASIC PAINTING.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite: None. Introduction to the basic elements of painting and the essential principles of composition, always seeking the development of the student talent, teaching him/her the use and technique of oil and acrylic paintings.

**ARTE-3118. ART IN PUERTO RICO.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. Study of plastic arts in Puerto Rico from Pre-Columbian era to the present. Takes into consideration artistic manifestations, such as: architecture, sculpture, painting, graphic arts, film, photography, and popular arts.

**ARTE-3415. ANATOMIC PAINTING.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Offers a workshop environment related to the human figure painting genre, including the introduction to the painting techniques of oil, acrylic, watercolor, and mixed media. The course exposes and analyzes the most outstanding Caribbean pictorial expression where the human figure is the main element.

**ARTE-3435. THEORY OF COLOR.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. Practical course that intends to stimulate the student of any discipline in the study of color, in order to apply and channel the acquired knowledge in disciplines and activities, whether they are from their academic, professional or daily specialty.

**FILO-3003. INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. Introduction to the philosophy methods, its problems and questions through its history and study of its relationship with other disciplines and its place in society.

**FILO-3005. INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. Systematic analysis of the fundamental theories of western ethics and critical study of problems, such as: the object of ethics, the moral knowledge problem, relation among metaphysics, science and moral; and the role of reason in moral behavior.

**FILO-3240. PUERTO RICAN PHILOSOPHICAL THOUGHT.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course examines the development of the Puerto Rican philosophical thought. It covers the first philosophical expressions in Puerto Rico: Manuel Corchado y Juarbe, Alejandro Tapia y Rivera, Eugenio María de Hostos, and other well-known philosophers. It studies the principal philosophical tendencies in Puerto Rico, as Hegelianism, Positivism, Krauseism, Vitalism, Existentialism, Thomism, Personal-ism, Idealism and historicism.

**FILO-3241. MODERN PHILOSOPHY IN THE HISPANIC CARIBBEAN.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FILO-3240. This course of Modern Philosophy in the Hispanic Caribbean exposes the development of the scientific thought in the Caribbean countries. Students will study philosophical tendencies such as Enlightenment, Utilitarianism, Positivism, Humanism, Hegelianism and Idealism. The course will focus critically in the principal philosophers that represent these tendencies and the interaction of ideas within the respective times.

**FILO-3242. THE PHILOSOPHY OF HISTORY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FILO-3003. Philosophical approach of the discourse of history throughout its formation.
process and within its great thinkers. We will debate the epistemological conceptions of ideas in discipline and the inter relationship with the rest of the scientific works.

**FILO-3243. PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FILO-3003. This course examines the different philosophical theories of language. It focuses on Being and continuity of language, the problem of significance, thought and language between language and reality.

**FILO-3244. ASIAN PHILOSOPHIES IN THE CARIBBEAN.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course presents a comparison of different Asian views and cultural elements in the Caribbean. Through direct contrasts between East and West hemispheres, the students will appreciate and interpret origins and world view, ideas, systems, and traditional beliefs of Asia in the Caribbean. It also studies cultural perspectives and religions of India in Trinidad Tobago and Surinam, as well as the Chinese presence in Cuba, Panamá, and Puerto Rico.

**FILO-4031. LOGIC I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. Study of methods to analyze statements and inferences in propositional logic, such as truth tables and analytical boards; construction of derivations, in propositional logic as well as in first order logic; metalogic of propositional logic.

**FILO-4471. PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. Introduction to main problems of the philosophy of science. Nature of the laws in empirical sciences; explanation and prediction; confirmation and falsification; the induction problem, hierarchy of laws and theories and their reduction.

**FILO-4495. INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHICAL ANTHROPOLOGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: HUMA 3021 and HUMA 3022; HUMA 3101. This course is an introduction to the study of the human being in its broadest and universal sense. Examines the views of the human being sustained by philosophers from different schools and periods of the history of philosophy, giving special attention to the critical treatment of the existence problem of a human nature. In addition to preparing the student to define the concept of Philosophical Anthropology, establish his/her place within the philosophy in general and precise his/her relationship with other philosophical, scientific, and humanistic disciplines, the course reveals the immeasurable value of self-knowledge for our complete development as human beings.

**FRAN-3191. ELEMENTARY FRENCH I.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite: None. Intensive course that presents the grammatical and phonetical fundamentals of the French idiom. Uses French as a medium for spontaneous oral and written communication.

**FRAN-3192. ELEMENTARY FRANCH II.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite: FRAN 3191. This course is a continuation of FRAN 3191. Intensive course that presents the grammatical and phonetical fundamentals of the French idiom. Uses French as a medium for spontaneous oral and written communication.

**FRAN-3193. INTERMEDIATE FRENCH.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FRAN 3191 and FRAN 3192; FRAN 3201 and FRAN 3202. Oral and written review of grammatical structures by composition and translation exercises. The textbooks selection will be aimed at improving written and oral expression.

**FRAN-3201. FUNCTIONAL FRENCH I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. The course contains two parts. The first part will emphasize oral comprehension and expression on the everyday situations. The student will acquire vocabulary and functional expressions that will facilitate conversations. The second part will emphasize reading and writing without leaving out the oral expression, developing more instead. These parts will correspond to the first and second semester.

**FRAN-3202. FUNCTIONAL FRENCH II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FRAN 3201. The course contains two parts. The first part will emphasize oral comprehension and expression on the everyday situations. The student will acquire vocabulary and functional expressions that will facilitate conversations. The second part will emphasize reading and writing without leaving out the oral expression, developing more instead. These parts will correspond to the first and second semester.

**FRAN-3203. FUNCTIONAL FRENCH III.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FRAN 3202. The Functional French III course is a continuation of the Fran 3202 course. It is aimed at reinforcing the grammatical structures studied (Functional French I and II) and completing a systematic process where the semantic field serve as a basis and support for the engagement of developed strategies of lexical and linguistic acquisition. This course offers the possibility of reusing the French language within different natural communication situations of informative, argumentative, explanatory, and narrative order. In brief, with its dynamism, the course will contribute in transforming the classroom into a pleasant meeting place where students can express and communicate in French.

**HIST-3001. THEORY OF HISTORY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. The purpose of this course is to create awareness of the processes and responsibilities of the historian and history researcher. Especially on the analysis of the relation of causality, laws of history and its predictive character. The chronological history and the explanations will be seen. Also, it will study the theoretical problems in modern historiography in order to create a theory of investigation and utility of the discipline. Students will learn to do research on site and will learn to investigate primary sources in archives, visiting the General Archives of Puerto Rico and the General Collection of Puerto Rico.
HIST-3111. HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HUMA 3101 or HUMA 3021; HUMA 3101 or HUMA 3022. Study and analysis of the United States of North America economic, political, social, and cultural development from colonization to civil war and reconstruction.

HIST-3112. HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HIST 3111. Continuation of HIST 3111. Study and analysis of the United States of North America economic, political, social, and cultural development from colonization to civil war and reconstruction.

HIST-3211. HISPANIC AMERICAN HISTORY I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Study of the Hispanic American historical development from the Pre-Columbian era to present time.

HIST-3212. HISPANIC AMERICAN HISTORY II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HIST 3211. Continuation of HIST 3211. Study of the Hispanic American historical development from the Pre-Columbian era to present time.

HIST-3325. HISTORY OF SCIENCE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. A study of the principal aspects in the history and development of sciences from ancient civilizations to present times. It will cover the most important scientific representatives that have contributed to a broad knowledge of nature and society.

HIST-3241. HISTORY OF PUERTO RICO I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Study of the Puerto Rico historical evolution from the discovery of the island until the end of the XIX century. The Indian roots, Spanish conquest and colonization and the emergence of “criollismo” and Puerto Rican cultural personality.

HIST-3242. HISTORY OF PUERTO RICO II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HIST 3241. Study of Puerto Rico history from 1898 to present; the political changes and their economic and cultural consequences.

HIST-3245. HISTORY OF PUERTO RICO – COMPENDIUM. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Synthesis of History of Puerto Rico course (HUMA 3241-3242). Puerto Rico historical evolution from its discovery in the XV century; colonization in XVI and XVII centuries; study of cultural reformism in XVIII century, shaping of personality in XIX century and current problematic, starting in 1898 and ending in present time.

HIST-3247. HISTORY OF AMERICA. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HIST 3241 and HIST 3242; HIST 3245. Offers a general and detailed view of the American continent historical process, from Alaska to Patagonia, including the colonization processes to our days. Describes the America history; the political, economic, and cultural more significant processes in the periods under consideration. Exposes the economic background of the American continent, especially from the industrial revolution to present. Narrates the most noted cultural processes by the American nations.

HIST-3505. CONTEMPORARY CARIBBEAN HISTORY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HIST 3241 and HIST 3242. Panoramic view of the Caribbean history from World War II until present time.

HIST-4001. HISTORY OF REVOLUTIONS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HIST 3505. The course covers revolutionary processes in contemporary history. It will cover the French revolution, North American revolution, the revolution of Haiti, the Bolshevistic revolution, and independence in Hispanic America, Cuba, and Nicaragua. Through a historical overview the course explores the causes, development of social and economic ideologies, as well as similarities and differences of each process. It will emphasize the influences of these changes in social life. Also, the conditions that lead into social and political disorders in the last 250 years.

HIST-4002. HISTORY OF THE RELATIONS IN METROPOLI AND COLONIES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HIST-3241 or HIST3505. It studies the political interaction, financial and materialistic relations, and culture in the colonies. It analyzes the effects of this phenomena in both worlds. It will include the origins and development of these metro political relations, exploring adjustments and reviews of politics in the present.

HIST-4018. HISTORY AND CULTURE OF FOOD IN THE CARIBBEAN. Credits: 3. Lecture hour per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course proposes a reflection on the processes of food and culinary fusion that, historically, have been developing in the region up to the present. Focuses, with an emphasis, although not exclusively, in Puerto Rico and some Spanish speaking continental islands and territories. Pretends to attend these processes focusing on some material, social, cultural, and political elements that have marked the development of food which presents, at the same time, single characteristics, but also different within some Caribbean countries. Also, pretends to examine and gives attention to the food dislocation and globalization in the actual food consumerism forms, especially in Puerto Rico.

HIST-4101. HISTORY OF PUERTO RICO IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s) HIST-3241 and HIST-3242, or HIST-3245. This course starts with the socio-economic situation of the island since the Nineteenth Century and the formation of the political parties and the labor movement. It will analyze the political evolution of the country through its governors and legislative majorities. Also, the social, cultural, economic, and political changes in all Twentieth Century to present times.

HIST-4255. CONTEMPORARY HISTORY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Study of the actual world histories from the constitutive revolutions of the contemporary world. This course studies the Industrial Revolution (economic aspects) and French Revolution.
(ideological and cultural aspects), which aroused from the emergence of new Hispano American countries in the XIX century and continues with the crisis of the first imperial-industrial system from the early to mid-XX century. Finally, studies the emergence of the power blocks after World War II, their development; world scale conflict, until convulsing at the end of the XX century. Explores, at the same time, the political-social movements emerged from the so-called Third World.

**HUMA-3010. STUDY TRAVEL TO EUROPE.** Credits: 6. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): None. The study travel is the practical and direct experience through which the students appreciate the culture, geography, social organization, and idiosyncrasy of the visited countries in order to integrate this personal assessment in the theoretical studies, as a formative aspect of undeniable usefulness that completes all types of intellectual information. The student receives a theoretical component before traveling (conferences, videos, foreign languages courses, course material, among others) and a practical component, which is the travel itself, museum and monument trips and short tests administered along the journey, conferences offered in the bus and final evaluations.

**HUMA-3021. CULTURAL MANIFESTATIONS OF WESTERN MAN I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Course by subjects using the group teaching technique. Offers the student a panoramic view of the most important cultural manifestations of the western man, emphasizing the areas of history, art and literature.

**HUMA-3022. CULTURAL MANIFESTATIONS OF WESTERN MAN II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Course by subjects using the group teaching technique. Offers the student a panoramic view of the most important cultural manifestations of the western man, emphasizing the areas of philosophy, ethics, and religion.

**HUMA-3101 WESTERN CULTURE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Critical reflection about the most important foundational aspects of the western culture from the different perspectives of humanistic disciplines, such as art, history, literature, philosophy and religious beliefs through the analysis of the most significant works and original texts, particularly emphasizing the ancient Greece and its relationship with present time.

**HUMA-3102. WESTERN CULTURE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HUMA-3101. Critical reflection about the most important foundational aspects of the western culture from the different perspectives of humanistic disciplines, such as art, history, literature, philosophy and religious beliefs through the analysis of the most significant works and original texts, particularly emphasizing the ancient Rome, the Christianity origins, the transition from Hellenistic period to Middle Age and its relationship with present time.

**HUMA-3201. WESTERN CULTURE III.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HUMA 3102. Critical reflection about the western cultural processes from Middle Age to Renaissance, emphasizing the areas of literature, philosophy, art, history and religious beliefs through the analysis of the most representative works and texts from that era and their relationship with the contemporary world.

**HUMA-3202. WESTERN CULTURE IV.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): HUMA 3201. Critical reflection about the western cultural process from XVIII century to our day, emphasizing the areas of literature, philosophy, art, history, and religious beliefs through the analysis of the most representative works and texts of those eras.

**HUMA-3230. HISTORY OF RELIGIONS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. The course covers the religious phenomena and its different cultural manifestations since prehistory to present times. The study of religions covers political topics, social problems and economical situations conceived and developed in the different cultures. It will select not only Asian religions but the Amerindian religions and their development in the Western world.

**HUMA-3515. TRAVEL TO PRE-HISPANIC AND COLONIAL CENTRAL AMERICA.** Credits: 6. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): None. Provides students with general knowledge about some of the cultures of the pre-Columbian ancient civilizations of the Mesoamerica area and the colonial era. The course will end with a trip to some places of the Central America and Mexico countries; through which the student may combine the theoretical component learned with direct experience.

**HUMA-3601. HUMANISTIC INVESTIGATION AND TECHNOLOGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course works on the methodological processes of the humanistic contemporary research. It offers a practical methodology within data compilation, formulation of hypothesis, applied data and uses of databases. It will study theoretical frames as well as technical preparation and writing process of a dissertation and bibliography. The course includes topics on technology, applications, databases, digital images, intellectual property, research vocabulary, formats and writing process. It also discusses the different writing styles following the MLA and other formats. It clarifies the importance of integrity in research and the avoidance of plagiarism. Students will work on research work and will develop a written work under the supervision of the professor.

**HUMA-3602. MITHOLOGY, ARCHETYPES AND RELIGION IN THE CARIBBEAN.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course presents the mythical and symbolic evolution of the religious believes in different Caribbean cultures. Identifies and describes the mythological and universal aspects, collective symbols, and the common characteristics of the religions in the Caribbean in an artistic and literary context.

**HUMA-3603. AFRICA IN THE CARIBBEAN.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Reflections on the influence of Africa in the Caribbean history and cultures. It
studies the presence of African culture in the Caribbean slavery, labor movements, antislavery movements, and the reaffirmation of the black movements in politics, decolonization processes and cultural rebirth. It also studies African culture in the Caribbean diaspora.

LITE-3001. CARIBBEAN LITERATURE I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course presents a comparative study of the Caribbean literature since colonial period up to the XX Century. It analyses topics as identity, racism, naturalism, 'costumbrismo', romanticism, and magical realism through essay, short stories, poetry, and fiction. It takes in consideration literature written in the different Caribbean languages: Spanish, English, and French.

LITE-3002. CARIBBEAN LITERATURE II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): LITE-3001. A deep study of the literary genres in Caribbean literature of the Twentieth Century throughout representative works of the different movements.

LITE-3011. MODERN LITERATURE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Study of representative works in the modern era from Renaissance to Neo-Classicism.

LITE-3012. CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE. Credits: 3. Lecture hour per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): LITE 3011. Study of the contemporary era focusing on the study of Romanticism, Realism, super-realism or surrealism works.

MUSI-3145. INTRODUCTION TO MUSICAL ART REPERTOIRE. Credits: 3. Lecture hour per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Course to train the ear in order to have an esthetic experience through the study of significant works of musical art.

MUSI-3235. MUSIC APPRECIATION. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Gives students how to learn classical music and appreciate the esthetical value produced when listening to the work of the most famous composers of all times. Several musical forms are studied, symphony, fugue, sonata, oratory, and opera, among others. Teach to distinguish the classical from folklore.

MUSI-3501. POPULAR MUSIC OF THE CARIBBEAN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. This course offers a panoramic view of the musical development in the Caribbean from colonial period to present times. This vision is based on the positioning of the Caribbean musical arts on its geographical, historical, economical and socio political and cultural context. This course allows students to appreciate the unity and diversity of the Caribbean music and Puerto Rico as a place in this universal cultural context.

TEAT-3011. ACTING I. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Theory and practice of theater. Fundamental aspects of acting. Equivalent to Drama 3011 at UPR Río Piedras.

TEAT-3012. ACTING II. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEAT 3011. Theory and practice of theater. Fundamental aspects of acting. Equivalent to Drama 3012 at UPR Río Piedras. As a course final project, students will present a theatrical piece.

TEAT-3031. DICTION I. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite: None. Fundamental aspects of theory and the techniques of diction in theater. Equivalent to Drama 3031 at UPR Río Piedras.

TEAT-3032. DICTION II. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEAT 3031. Fundamental aspects of theory and the techniques of diction in theater. Continuation of Diction I (TEAT 3031). Equivalent to Drama 3032 at UPR Río Piedras.

TEAT-3151. THEATRICAL MOVEMENT I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. In the first phase, students will be given a short introduction about pantomime, its history, tendencies, and its greatest exponents. Once they are related to the subject, the course will continue with corporal preparation exercises, concentrating in coordination, flexibility, balance, strength, and resistance exercises. The second part will discuss the knowledge of several languages, such as energy and emotive projections. Exercises of communication, creativity and collective creation will be made.

TEAT-3152. THEATRICAL MOVEMENT II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEAT 3151. In the first phase, students will be given a short introduction about pantomime, its history, tendencies, and its greatest exponents. Once they are related to the subject, the course will continue with body preparation exercises, concentrating in coordination, flexibility, balance, strength, and resistance exercises. The second part will discuss the knowledge of several languages, such as energy and emotive projections. Exercises of communication, creativity and collective creation will be made.

TEAT-3191. INTRODUCTION TO THEATRICAL PRODUCTION I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Theatrical production theory and practice. Research and design of different phases in a production: costume, makeup, scenography, use, utilities, promotion, etc.

TEAT-3192. INTRODUCTION TO THEATRICAL PRODUCTION II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEAT 3191. Theory and practice of theatrical production. Participation and realization of different phases of theatrical production: costume, makeup, scenography, lighting, utilities, promotion, etc.

TEAT-3201. SCENIC DESIGN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Specific course of scenic design fundamentals. Theory and drawing in the technical aspects of construction, painting, design, and lighting of theatrical work.
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JIMÉNEZ CORRETJER, ZOE. *Full Professor*, PhD, 1995, Temple University, United States.

JIMÉNEZ FERRER, JOAQUÍN M. *Full Professor*, PhD, 2008, Center for Advanced Studies of Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, Puerto Rico.

LÓPEZ ROJAS, LUIS A. *Full Professor*, PhD, 1996, Center for Advanced Studies of Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, Puerto Rico.

MOREIRA VIDAL, RUBÉN. *Full Professor*, PhD, 1996, Temple University, United States.

PIÑERO CÁDIZ, GERARDO M. *Full Professor*, PhD, 2004, Center for Advanced Studies of Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, Puerto Rico.

ROSA COLÓN, EDWAR. *Assistant Professor*, PhD, 2017, New York University, NYC.

SÁNCHEZ-LONGO DE LEÓN, LUIS P. *Associate Professor*, MA, 1995, University of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico.
History and Objectives

The Bachelor of Arts with major in Elementary Level English and Bachelor of Arts with major in Secondary Level English, was established in 1997. The main purpose of this program is to prepare and retrain resources capable to satisfy the urgent need to improve the teaching-learning quality of English on elementary and secondary levels. The Program proposes: to develop a bilingual teacher that comprehends the basic aspects of the Puerto Rican language and culture, as well as from other English speaking countries, especially from the United States; to develop activities aimed at imparting values that reflect democratic principles and, at the same time, our cultural heritage; to prepare teachers to instill their desire to use English as a communication channel in a society where the necessity of using this language becomes more significant; to develop positive relations among the English Department of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao and the Department of Education and among different sectors and institutions of the region served by our University.

Since 2009, the Bachelor of Arts (English) is recognized by TESOL (Teachers of English of Other Languages) and is in the process of reaccreditation by CAEP (Council for Educator Preparation) in the teacher preparation area.

In addition, the English Department offers first and second year general education courses and business English courses for students of administrative sciences.

Academic Programs

The Department offers study programs leading to the following academic degrees: Bachelor of Arts with major in Elementary Level English. Prepares teachers to work at elementary level schools, both public and private systems. Bachelor of Arts with major in Secondary Level English. Prepares teachers to work at secondary level schools, both public and private systems. On both programs, the core courses are offered in the following modalities: on-site, hybrid, distance, and online.

Curricular Sequence

BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH MAJOR IN ELEMENTARY LEVEL ENGLISH

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## Summary of credits:

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

EDPE-3018. METHODOLOGY IN THE TEACHING OF ENGLISH TO SPANISH SPEAKERS – ELEMENTARY LEVEL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3045, INGL-4325, INGL-4328. Corequisite(s): None. Study and implementation of the principles, methods, procedures, and techniques of teaching English as a second language, analysis of textbooks and other materials used in public schools of Puerto Rico, planning and evaluation of the teaching-learning situation on the elementary level.

EDPE-4005. PRACTICE TEACHING SEMINAR – SECONDARY LEVEL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EING-4006, INGL-4325 and INGL-4328. Corequisite(s): None. Study and analysis of problems in the classroom (secondary level). Emphasis on adaptation and use of resources for learning, organization, planning and responsibilities of a teacher towards the students, peers, school, and community.

EDPE-4006. PRACTICE TEACHING – SECONDARY LEVEL. Credits: 6. Lecture hours per week: 15. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-4005, INGL-4325 and INGL-4328. Corequisite(s): None. The student will assume the responsibilities inherent to the teaching-learning process [secondary level]. Will be exposed to real situations in the classroom, supervised by a staff composed of the University’s supervisor, the director, and the cooperating teacher from the practice center.

EDPE-4018. PRACTICE TEACHING – ELEMENTARY LEVEL. Credits: 6. Lecture hours per week: 15. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-4019. Corequisite(s): None. Practice of teaching (elementary level). The student will assume the responsibilities inherent to the teaching-learning process. Will be exposed to real situations in the classroom, supervised by a staff composed of the University’s supervisor, the director, and the cooperating teacher from the practice center.

EDPE-4019. PRACTICE TEACHING SEMINAR – ELEMENTARY LEVEL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3018, INGL-4325, INGL-4328. Corequisite(s): None. Study and analysis of problems in the classroom (elementary level). Emphasis in adaptation and use of resources for learning, organization, planning and responsibilities of the teacher towards the students, peers, school, and community.

EING-4006. TEACHING OF ENGLISH TO SPANISH SPEAKERS – SECONDARY LEVEL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3045, INGL-4325, INGL-4328. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to the teaching of English in secondary school. Emphasis in objectives, methods, and materials. Considers the English Program from the public school. The course is complemented with clinical experiences.

EING-4027. CONFLICT RESOLUTION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3018 or EING-4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to explore how to resolve conflicts and reach agreements in a school scenario in order to contribute to a climate of scholar order. The course emphasizes the importance of creating relations between rights and responsibilities and between actions and consequences within the classroom.

EING-4028. CURRICULUM DESIGN. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3045, EDFU-3007, EDFU-4019. Corequisite(s): None. Study and analysis of the principles on which are based the preparation and the curricular designs development, as well as their implementation on our environment. Discusses innovative subjects or problems confronted in the design of teaching programs while emphasizing in the development of curricular theory and research in the area of English as a second language.

EING-4068. CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3018 or EING-4006. Corequisite(s): None. This is an elective course designed to provide the service teachers with a basic knowledge of complex
practices that help to create an environment conducive to learning.

**INCO-2015. CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH FOR OFFICE PERSONNEL.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3101 and INGL-3102. Corequisite(s): None. A course of conversational English especially designed for office personnel necessities. Students will develop commercial vocabulary and idiomatic expressions through readings and oral interaction and will practice through simulations taken from real situations within the office environment.

**INCO-2016. CRITICAL ANALYSIS AND WRITING OF BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3102 or INCO-1012, CISE 3209 and CISE 3215. Corequisite(s): None. Course of business English on which students integrate the theoretical knowledge of business correspondence with English writing techniques and word processing. Practice will be given to the critical analysis of business correspondence and routine correspondence writing.

**INCO-3005. BUSINESS COMMUNICATION I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3101 and INGL-3102 or INGL-3103 and INGL-3104. Corequisite(s): None. This course is aimed at students from the Business Administration Program and at students from the Associate Degree and Bachelor in Office Systems Administration. Offers a theoretical-conceptual framework of the effective communication in business English with a practical component on all its units. The course demands attention to the logical and psychological processes that regulate the writing of business wording.

**INCO-3006. BUSINESS COMMUNICATION II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INCO-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of INCO-3005. This course is aimed at students in the Bachelor Program of Business Administration and at students in the Associate Degree and Bachelor of Office Systems Administration. Offers a theoretical-conceptual framework of the effective communication in business English with a practical component on all its units. The course demands attention to logical and psychological processes that regulate the writing of business wording.

**INCO-3027. REPORT WRITING.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): INCO-3005 and INCO-3006. Corequisite(s): None. Training in the fundamental techniques of business communication through written reports. Special attention is given to procedures used when writing objectives, good organization, data reports, classification of reports and research methods. A written analytical short report is required.

**INCO-3126. CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH FOR STUDENTS OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Designed to prepare the student to express correctly on any given situation in their professional and social life. Will emphasize good manners in conversations, phone calls, interviews, talking and discussions before a group. Recording equipment will be used to create good conversation habits.

**INCO-3127. CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS STUDENTS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3102 or INGL3104. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to help students improve their fluency in English and its use in a global business and professional context by increasing their business vocabulary and introducing them to specific oral skills required in the international corporate community. Its primary objective is to provide students with the opportunity to practice and develop their oral communication skills. This course is aimed at fulfilling the graduation requirement in foreign languages for students majoring in International Business major of Business Administration.

**INCO-4050. CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH FOR OFFICE PROFESSIONALS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INCO-3005, INCO-3006. Corequisite(s): None. Required course for students of Business Systems Administration. Designed to develop oral communication skills of students up to an Administrative Assistant level. The appropriate business vocabulary and idiomatic expressions used at the office will be acquired through the lecture, oral interaction and activities simulating real situations encountered by the secretary. Special practice of common expressions frequently used in conversations on an office context.

**INGL-0080. PRE-BASIC ENGLISH.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Preparatory course designed to capacitate the student to comply with the English subsequent requirements. Develops hearing, oral, reading and writing skills. Also, pretends to modify the students’ attitude towards the learning of the English language. **Note:** is a requisite for students admitted to University of Puerto Rico at Humacao who have obtained 444 or less in the English achievement section of the CEEB.

**INGL-3001. BRITISH LITERATURE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3221, INGL-3222. Includes the study of British literature from Beowulf to Neoclassical period. Written and oral reports are required.

**INGL-3002. BRITISH LITERATURE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3221, INGL-3222. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of British literature study. Includes the Romanticism period until XX century.

**INGL-3021. ORAL AND WRITTEN ENGLISH I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3102 or INGL-3104. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed for future teachers of Elementary School. Emphasizes vocal pronunciation and fluency in written English communication. Seeks to familiarize the student with the concepts of teaching English.

**INGL-3022. ORAL AND WRITTEN ENGLISH II.** Credits 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3021. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of INGL-3021. This course is designed for future teachers of Elementary School. Emphasizes vocal pronunciation and fluency in written English communication.
Seeks to familiarize the student with the concepts of teaching English.

**INGL-3101. BASIC ENGLISH I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course integrates hearing, oral, of reading and writing while developing vocabulary and grammatical structures of the English language. Note: Requisite - Score from 451 to 580 in the English achievement section of the CEEB.

**INGL-3102. BASIC ENGLISH II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3101. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of Basic English I. This course integrates hearing, oral, of reading and writing while developing vocabulary and grammatical structures of the English language.

**INGL-3103. INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Oral and written communication based in selected readings and analyses giving attention to grammar and idiomatic expressions. Note: Requisite – Score from 581 in the English achievement section of the CEEB.

**INGL-3104. INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3103. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of Intermediate English I. Oral and written communications based in selected readings and analyses giving attention to grammar and idiomatic expressions.

**INGL-3171. COLLEGE WRITING I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed for those students enrolled in the English BA Program or other academic programs who score 581 and higher in the English section of the CEEB. It emphasizes on refining students’ writing skills while improving other English competencies. It also aims to familiarize the students with research skills, use and availability of technological resources, and issues related to the use of English for academic purposes. This course may be offered in hybrid, online, or in-class modality.

**INGL-3172. COLLEGE WRITING 2.** Credits: 3. Lectures hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL3171. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to give students the opportunity to further develop and individualize their writing style through reading and focusing on non-fictional pieces. This course uses the essay as a springboard to expand students’ creative and analytical writing through personal reflection: reaction papers, critiques, memoirs, and case studies. The course can be offered in face-to-face, hybrid and distance mode.

**INGL-3201. GRAMMAR, COMPOSITION AND ANALYTICAL READING I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3102 or INGL-3104. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to teach students writing and composition skills using the general method, based on an exhaustive and critical analysis of selected readings. These readings include essays, short stories, and poems. Supplementary teaching in grammar is provided as needed.

**INGL-3202. GRAMMAR, COMPOSITION AND ANALYTICAL READING II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3201. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to continue developing students in the effective use of the language. The course emphasizes the development of writing and composition skills using the general method, based on an exhaustive analysis of readings. The selected readings include short stories, essays, and novels. Supplementary teaching in grammar is provided as needed. The basic techniques of research are introduced.

**INGL-3221. INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3104. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis and appreciation of the story, essay, and novel. Oral and written practices of subjects developed by taking into consideration the mentioned genres.

**INGL-3222. INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3104. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of INGL-3221. Reading for analysis and appreciation of poetry and theater. Oral and written discussion of the studied genres and related areas.

**INGL-3227. PHONOLOGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3104. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the phonological structures of English in the United States with emphasis in the acquisition of linguistic analysis skills. These skills will allow the student to go beyond the course material and analyze and comprehend not studied structures.

**INGL-3231. ADVANCED EXPOSITORY PROSE WRITING I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3221 and INGL-3222. Corequisite(s): None. Intensive practice of the accepted patterns for prose exposition in order to master a clear and precise style. Analysis of prose verses.

**INGL-3232. ADVANCED EXPOSITORY PROSE WRITING II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3231. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of INGL-3231. Intensive practice of the accepted patterns for prose exposition in order to master a clear and precise style. Analysis of prose verses. Research, focused on the collection, evaluation, and organization of information. Use of bibliography and other research instruments.

**INGL-3251. AMERICAN LITERATURE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3221, INGL-3222. Corequisite(s): None. Study of American literature development from its beginnings until Whitman y Dickinson.

**INGL-3252. AMERICAN LITERATURE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3221, INGL-3222. Corequisite(s): None. Study of American literature development from Mark Twain to present time.

**INGL-3269. ENGLISH GRAMMAR SKILLS DEVELOPMENT.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3103, INGL-3104. Corequisite(s): None. This course will provide students practice in grammatical analysis and strategies for the teaching of English grammar and will allow to improve their writing. Also, will facilitate getting to know a diversity of educational material and different methods for the teaching of English grammar in public and private schools of Puerto Rico.
Special attention will be given to usual difficulties confronted by Spanish speakers when learning a second or foreign language.

**INGL-4067. SPECIAL TOPICS OF AMERICAN LITERATURE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3221, INGL-3222. Corequisite(s): None. This is an undergraduate course designed to offer the option of focusing in particular subjects of the American literature. Topics may include, for example: “Literature by and about Native Americans,” “Women’s Voices from the Colonial Period to the Nineteenth Century,” and “Slavery and Slave Narratives: Representations of Self and ‘Otherness’.” Choice of topics will depend on the instructor who will then develop the corresponding course outline.

**INGL-4206. MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR: MORPHOLOGY AND SYNTAX.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3227. Corequisite(s): None. Study of morpho-syntactic and lexical structures of the English language with emphasis in the acquisition of linguistic analysis skills.

**INGL-4215. CONTEMPORARY NOVEL.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3222. Corequisite(s): None. Critical reading of contemporary novels from England and the United States. Study of literary movements since World War II.

**INGL-4235. STRUCTURAL AND SYNTACTIC ANALYSIS OF ENGLISH AND SPANISH.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-4206, EDFU-3045. Corequisite(s): None. Comparative analysis of syntax, semantic, phonological, and lexical systems. Identification, overview and explanation of the nature and origin of different types of errors committed by students of English as a second language. Analysis of oral and written work samples.

**INGL-4325. LANGUAGE ACQUISITION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-4206, EDFU-3045. Corequisite(s): None. One semester course based in the study of the vernacular language acquisition, its relationship with the acquisition of a second language and the factors that affect this acquisition.

**INGL-4326. CHILDREN’S LITERATURE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EING-4006 or EDPE-3018. Corequisite(s): None. Study and analysis of literature’s role in the development of children. Introduction to the methods, techniques, materials, and activities essential for a good reading program in elementary school. More emphasis will be given to the criteria for evaluating literature that will introduce children to the world of books.

**INGL-4327. ADOLESCENTS’ LITERATURE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3221, INGL-3222. Corequisite(s): None. Selection and use of literature in accordance with the different interests and abilities of students from grade 7 to 12. Studies the problems and objectives to be developed. Practice in preparing for a reading class.

**INGL-4328. LINGUISTICS AND READING.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-4206, EDFU-3045. Corequisite(s): None. Implementation of the linguistic theory to the teaching of reading in English. Analysis of sequences in the reading skills development, based on the individual differences and interests of students. Evaluation of reading materials according to the grade and capability of students.

**INGL-4329. ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3018 or EING-4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course studies the construction, administration, tabulation and scoring of the English achievement and proficiency tests and standard tests. Also, study the elements of quizzes and tests, the components of tests items and the assessment of the four language skills. Special attention will be given to the methods of testing communicative competence through integrated and direct measures.

**INGL-4345. LANGUAGE AND CULTURE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): EDPE-3018 or EING-4006. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to explore the multifaceted relation between language and culture. Focuses of issues of cultural diversity that affect the acquisition of a second language in terms of ethnicity, race, genre, geography, socio economy, education, and age, among other factors. The course also examines the theoretical and conceptual aspects of multicultural education from a historical, philosophical, sociocultural, political, and pedagogical perspective.

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History and Objectives

The Bachelor of Arts in Social Work of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao (UPRH) has been in a continuous development process, considering the necessities identified in its assessment process and in the achievement of its goals and objectives, keeping with the established educational policy. The Program was established in the academic year 1976-77 and, for the first time, in 1977 was accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Since then, the Program has been successfully reaccredited with the maximum time granted by this organism, in the years of 1985, 1992, 2000 and 2008. The Department of Social Work of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao is committed to develop professionals to start their practice highly qualified, efficient, and prepared to contribute in the solution of problems faced by current Puerto Rican society, especially in the Eastern area. On the other hand, the Department’s vision is to be an instructive model that forms professionals who demonstrate commitment and sensibility towards the different communities, the inclusion, the defense of human rights, equality, social, economic, and environmental justice, the promotion of human development, and social wellbeing for the transformation and the solution of problems confronted by the Puerto Rican society, especially the Eastern region.

At the same time, the Department’s mission is to develop students who will identify with the profession through an education based on competencies and liberal arts, to engage the Generalist Social Work practice at an early level. Students will develop knowledge, values, and skills of critical thinking to provide services in different contexts and practice levels (micro, mezzo, and macro) with individuals, families, groups, communities, and organizations. Its efforts are aimed to the commitment with: professional ethic, social politics, research, technological advances, diversity and difference, inclusion, human rights, equality, social, economic, and environmental justice, eradication of poverty, promotion of human development, and social well-being in the cultural context of Puerto Rico. The student body is introduced to collaborative experiences through the establishment of relations among the academic, professional, and social institution communities of the Eastern region, Puerto Rico, and the Caribbean, with a global perspective.

Therefore, the Department maintains an appropriate curricular offer, framed in a Generalist perspective with a systematic, biopsych-socio-cultural-spiritual, and environmental approach for the strengthening of a better oral and written communication, critical thinking skills, management, use of technology and the problem-solving skills, research, and political practice.

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK**

**Curricular sequence**

**Summary of credits:**
- General Education requirements: 63
- Core requirements: 41
- Electives in Humanities: 6
- Electives in related areas: 9
- Free electives: 12
- Total: 131

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**Notes:**

- Students admitted to the Department of Social Work from August 2006 must approve the core courses with a minimum grade of C.
- The Department of Social Work from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao does not give course credits for life or work experiences for any course that constitutes a requirement to the curriculum of classes of the Bachelor in Social Work, specially the courses of Field Practice I (TSOC4091) and Field Practice II (TSOC4092).
- The Department of Social Work is governed by the Procedure to file and ventilate complaints, except of grades of the UPRH's students, approved by the Academic Senate, as established in Certification No. 2016-2017-013.
- The Department of Social Work will follow the Procedures for the segregation of students for academic and professional reasons into social work educational programs, as approved by the Academic Senate, according to Certification Num. 1999-2000-80 (See the document in the Student’s Guide and Field Practice Guide of the Department of Social Work).
- The Department of Social Work does not discriminate in its academic offerings based on age, sex, gender, race, color, nationality, origin, or social condition, nor for political or religious ideas and, or any functional diversity. This policy complies with the Procedures for the management of discriminatory situations by sex or gender at the University of Puerto Rico, as established in Certification 101 (2021-2022) approved by the Governing Board of the University of Puerto Rico, the laws and government statutes; including the Federal

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<sup>7</sup> This course can be substituted by ESPA3211, ESPA4221 or ESPA4231.<br>
<sup>8</sup> This course can be substituted by INGL3221.<br>
<sup>9</sup> This course can be substituted by ECON4036.<br>
<sup>10</sup> This course can be substituted by ESPA3212, ESPA4222 or ESPA4232.<br>
<sup>11</sup> This course can be substituted by INGL3222.<br>
<sup>12</sup> This course can be substituted by HIST3241 or HIST342.
TSOC-3005. SOCIAL WELFARE SYSTEM. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This is the first course of the Social Work major. In it, the concept and context of social issues are studied from different theoretical approaches. Current issues in the Puerto Rican society are identified and analyzed. Basic concepts of social welfare, its origin and development are defined and discussed in terms of its history, philosophy, as well as its economic, social, and political components. Also, basic social needs, human and civil rights, and the responsibility of the State in satisfying these needs are discussed. The current structure and organization of social welfare services in Puerto Rico and international social welfare organizations are studied. Students prepare two oral presentations during the course. The focus will be placed on results from a descriptive research on a social problem in Puerto Rico and the second will describe, compare and evaluate the organizational structure and roles of governmental and non-governmental social welfare agencies from Puerto Rico in contrast with similar international organizations.

TSOC-3015. SOCIAL WORK AS A PROFESSION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121 Y CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course studies the profession of Social Work within the context of social welfare and the dynamics of social processes. The historical development of the United States of America and Puerto Rico is examined. Fundamental components of professional practice and the basic competencies required are analyzed. The profession functions are examined from different theoretical and ideological approaches. Communal sanction and the profession’s organization in Puerto Rico, United States of America, and internationally are studied, as well as legal requirements for the professional practice. The profession’s ethical and evaluative aspects are analyzed, emphasizing those concerning social justice and diversity. Finally, different governmental and non-governmental organizations where the profession is exercised in Puerto Rico are presented.

TSOC-3025. CHILD WELFARE SERVICES IN PUERTO RICO. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This is a course of areas related to social welfare of the Department of Social Work. Studies the historical background of child protection services and the principles on which they are based. Analyzes the problems affecting the child’s comprehensive development from an ecosystem perspective. Also, it is considered the different manifestations of inequality and oppression suffered by children in a global context. Identifies and analyzes the different types of abuse, the indicators and how these affect the children physically and emotionally. Discusses the laws and their application. The programs and services developed to promote the welfare of children are analyzed from a critical perspective.

TSOC-3075. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course is related to the area of Social Welfare of the Department of Social Work. Presents the health-illness continuum from its social dimension. Uses two theoretical approaches, functionalism, and conflict, in the analysis of how social factors shape the health problems. The health concept is discussed as a personal right. The incidence and prevalence of the principal health problems in Puerto Rico are studied, as well as the programs and services established to confront them. The content of the course is emphasized in the discussion of health as an instrument of social, individual, and collective development.

TSOC-3095. PROCESS OF AGING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course is related to the area of Social Welfare of the Department of Social Work. Analyzes the process of aging from a multidimensional view. Emphasizes in the typical and atypical of the process. Misconceptions and prejudices in the process of aging are discussed. Studies the older person from comprehensive setting, which includes the consideration of biological, psychological, social, and cultural factors. Aspects related to the process of aging are analyzed, such as the different theoretical approaches that explain them, the elders’ characteristics, and problems. Legislation, programs, and services available are the object of extensive discussion, especially when related to Puerto Rico. The course analyzes the ethical conflicts and value attitudes that can emerge from the intervention with this community. Exercises are used to expose students to this analysis.

TSOC-3115. POVERTY AND INEQUALITY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This course is related to the area of Social Welfare of the Department of Social Work. In it the basic concepts related to poverty and inequality are discussed. Its meaning is studied considering different definitions of the term. The causal factors of poverty and social and economic inequality are analyzed from different theoretical approaches, as well as the elements that contribute to their continuance. It emphasizes the view offered by poverty and inequality as events of structural origin and the existing relation between...
poverty and other social problems affecting health, education, housing, migration, and social participation. Poverty and inequality manifestations in several groups with risks of oppression and exclusion by age, genre, ethnic origin, nationality, physical or mental challenges, social class, among others, are considered. Programs and social services established to promote social and economic justice are analyzed from a critical perspective. Poverty and inequality are studied in the Puerto Rican society and in a global context. Emphasizes the development of an economic model, the extent of poverty at present time and the affected social groups.

**TSOC-3131. SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN SOCIAL WORK I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3005, TSOC-3015. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4001, TSOC-4055. This is a core course and the first one of a two-course sequence in the research area. It is offered during the first semester of the curricular sequence’s third year. It is aimed at students to obtain knowledge and to develop the basic skills in social research methods and techniques. The course focuses on the discussion of scientific research and its utility in the construction of knowledge for a practice based on evidence, programs and services evaluation, and the assessment of the professional practice in Social Work. Also, the scientific method, research premises, methods, and techniques of quantitative and qualitative approaches in science are discussed. Ethical aspects involved in research, emphasizing on those that protect the principles of auto determination, informed consent, and dignity of human beings, especially on those populations that have limited access to sources of power and scientific knowledge are analyzed. Students organize in workgroups and integrate knowledge about developing problems of research, literature review, design of a theoretical framework, establishment of research questions, hypothesis drafting and types of analysis, and the design of a methodology model through the elaboration of a proposal which has to be submitted at the end of the course. This process is developed using the methodology of learning through service.

**TSOC-3132. SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN SOCIAL WORK II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3131, CISO-3155. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4002, TSOC-4015. This is a core course and is the second of a two-course sequence from the research area. It is offered during the second semester of the curricular sequence’s third year. In it the processes of data recollection, analysis, and presentation are emphasized based on quantitative and qualitative models, using computer technologies and programs used in the profession of Social Work. The students evidence the inclusion of knowledge and skills through presentations and disclosure of the research findings on the “day of research presentations”. This research is carried out at the end of the semester, inviting the research applicants, thus complying with the methodology of learning through service.

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**TSOC-4001. HUMAN BEHAVIOR AND SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3005, TSOC-3015, PSIC-3005, CIPO-3011, ECON-3005, CIBI-3001. Corequisite(s): TSOC-3131, TSOC-4055. This is a core course and is the first of a sequence of two. It facilitates the comprehension of human beings as a unique people, family members, small groups, organizations, and communities. In the course, the theoretical approaches general systemic, echo systemic, of strengths and resilience, are used. These approaches are associated with the evaluative and ethical aspects of the profession in the study of human behavior. The emphasis of this course is aimed at the macro-structural study considering the aspects of human diversity, populations at risk of oppression, discrimination, marginalization, and exclusion. Aspects related to ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, migratory processes, social classes, functional diversity, family structure, religion, and spirituality, among others, are discussed. Promotes the integration of students in organizations and social movements related to the processes of social and economic justice in Puerto Rico, in particular those that attend the route of poverty.

**TSOC-4002. HUMAN BEHAVIOR AND SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-4001, CIBI-3002. Corequisite(s): TSOC-3132, TSOC-4015. This is a core course, the second of a sequence of two. In it is presented the human being’s behavior in their social environment from a life cycle perspective with emphasis in the bio-psycho-socio-cultural development. The development of the human being is discussed in his social environment from the pre-natal stage until death. The evolution of the person is described from the development tasks, applying the main theoretical approaches about behavior. The course gives special attention to the ways that social systems promote or restrict achievement and maintaining an integral health and social wellbeing, particularly in the Puerto Rican society. It is focused on the analysis to guide the process of assessing the person as a member of a family, groups, organizations, and communities. Facilitates a theoretical ground on which students develop skills for the practice of Social Work.

**TSOC-4015. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3015. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4002, TSOC3132. This is a core course, the first of the four courses that compose the curricular sequence of Professional Practice. It is offered to students of the Program in the second semester of their third year of studies. In it, basic concepts and purposes of the general practice of Social Work are presented and discussed. The professional relation and the values and elements that characterize it are emphasized, such as: empathy, respect, authenticity, auto determination, and confidentiality. Exercises are analyzed and used for studying the ways on which beliefs, feelings, and personal values may affect professional relations. Attention is given to the following.

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13 This course can be substituted with ECON4036- Economic and Social Development of Puerto Rico.
variables: ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, migratory processes, social classes, functional diversity, family structure, religion, and spirituality, among others. The main study theme in this course is the interview, as a particular form of communication in Social Work. Its characteristics, the main elements that compose it, as well as the basic skills are identified. The course ends with a general approach of case-record writing, its purposes, and different styles.

**TSOC-4025. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-4015. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4091, TSOC-4105. This is the second core course of a sequence of four courses from the professional practice of Social Work. The theoretical approaches that are part of the professional intervention process and its relationship with the scientific method are discussed and analyzed. In the course it is provided for the students to deepen in knowledge, values, and skills required for the establishment of the professional relation, assessment, intervention, and evaluation. It emphasizes the aspects related with the progress evaluation of the professional intervention. The design of the course allows the discussion of global and local social situations, in particular on the East region which includes the Route of Poverty. Also, incorporates those areas that are intervened by students in Practical Instruction. This facilitates the integration of class discussions with the values and professional ethics, thus promoting the analysis of the interaction with diversity factors: age, sex, gender, race, color, nationality, origin, social and/or economic condition, political and religious ideas, and functional diversity (physical or mental challenges).

**TSOC-4035. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE III.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-4025, TSOC-4091. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4092. This is the last core course of a sequence of four courses of the professional general practice of Social Work. The course considers the method of problem solving in social work practice with families, groups, and crisis intervention. For the study of these, theoretical approaches of systems and the ecosystem perspectives of strengths and resilience are used. In the content, emphasis is given to the work with groups, the membership roles and the models of Social Work Group. Also, the phases of professional intervention while working with groups are analyzed, as well as the adequate techniques and strategies for this methodology. The group methodology is studied and applied when working with excluded groups, victims of oppression, and populations at risk of oppression, discrimination, marginalization, and exclusion, and the promotion of the consent of these. In this course, the method of intervention with families in the process of professional help is discussed. It deepens in the application of the theoretical systemic approach, strengths and resilience in work, and interventions with families. Works with the professional intervention in the family so it can identify needs and areas of opportunities for these to access resources. In this course, subjects related to values and ethical dilemmas that come up when working with crisis, different types of groups, and families are discussed.

**TSOC-4045. COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3005, TSOC-3015, TSOC-4001. Corequisite(s): None. This is a course of the areas related to social welfare of the Department of Social Work. Discusses the nature of social service organizations within the socio-cultural context of Puerto Rico and other countries. In this, knowledge and skills are integrated for Social Work practice in community-based service organizations which serves a diversity of communities at risk of discrimination and oppression. Emphasis is given on institutions that serve individuals, groups, families, and communities, in conditions of social and cultural inequality, health, family integration, education, homelessness, teen pregnancy, dropouts, physical and mental challenges, among other social needs and problems. Students are related with the social organizations’ history, study the organizational theoretical perspectives and the behavioral components, structure, and processes, as well as the reciprocal effect among the community and its organizations. Through this course, students, faculty, and personnel from a non-governmental organization (ONG, by its Spanish acronym), will collaborate in the planning and development of a social project. Strategic planning and assessment processes in the development of social services are emphasized, as well as the management and development of budgetary resources.

**TSOC-4046. STRATEGIES AND TECHNIQUES FOR WORKING WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3005, TSOC-3015, TSOC-4001. Corequisite(s): None. This is a course of the area related to Social Work. It is aimed at promoting the knowledge and skills development of the students, which will help to facilitate processes of formation, social and political participation with community groups that are compromised with the transformation and social change. Starts from the systems theoretical perspective, which provides the fundamental principles to understand the relationships within a system and between social systems. Also, integrates critical theoretical approaches that inform the popular education model, as well as theoretical perspectives that serve as basis for students to develop knowledge and skills that allow them to facilitate internal strength of the different community groups, as well as to offer counseling and accompaniment in actions aimed at transforming the conditions of pressure, exclusion, and exploitation within the contemporary societies. The course has a workshop format. The methodology of popular education of work in small groups is used in class, through which the learned techniques and skills are practiced. In addition, students will prepare and present in class a project integrating the knowledge.

**TSOC-4055. SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY AND SERVICES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3005, TSOC-3015. Corequisite(s): TSOC-3131, TSOC-4001. This is a core course offered during the first semester of the third year of studies. The course is designed for the student to deepen and broaden the concept of social well-being as a comprehensive area which includes a variety of politics, programs, and services
through governmental and non-governmental organizations. In it prevention, protection, and promotion of the social and economic justice of citizens. Also, elements of the political process, social values, planning, and social transformation; as well as the power relations affecting population groups, which for their diversity and difference are at risk of oppression, marginalization, discrimination, and exclusion of the social well-being are studied. Students develop skills for the critical analysis of politics and of the existing services, of their purpose and pertinence in solving and preventing social problems. Likewise, the role performed by Social Work in the social transformation, its contributions and possibilities are analyzed and evaluated. They are initiated on different political practices to bring forward the social and economic well-being, and to offer social work services. Finally, they study aspects of the social well-being in Puerto Rico and compare them with the global context.

**TSOC-4091. FIELD PRACTICE I.** Credits: 4. Practice hours per week: 15. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3005, TSOC-3015, TSOC-3131, TSOC-3132, TSOC-4001, TSOC-4002, TSOC-4015, TSOC-4055. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4025, TSOC-4105. This is a core course, the first of a sequence of two. In it, students are placed in a Field Practice center for two days (15 hours per week) during the semester, supervised by a qualified practice instructor. The course provides experiences that allow students to develop professional competencies that are initiated in the Social Work practice. Also, includes a seminar aimed to discuss and enrich important aspects for the students' professional career. The focus in this course responds to the general practice of Social Work and to the development of the ten competencies required by the Social Work Accreditation Agency, *Council on Social Work Education* (CSWE). Experiences aimed to facilitate the application of the following theoretical approaches are provided: general systemic, eco-systemic, strength, resilience, and empowerment. The acquired skills in the classroom are applied to the problem-solving process with individuals, families, groups, communities, and organizations. Likewise, students integrate ethical principles of the profession, giving emphasis on respect for the human dignity, confidentiality, auto determination, and the commitment with social and economic justice, especially of those sectors that for their diversity and difference are at risk of exclusion, oppression, marginalization, and discrimination. In this course, knowledge and skills of scientific research in Social Work related to the identification of necessities, the development of a political practice, and other special projects are used. Students apply this knowledge in the data assessment, the development of interventions based on evidence, as well as in the evaluation of the services offered and in their own practice.

**TSOC-4092. FIELD PRACTICE II.** Credits: 4. Practice hours per week: 15. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-3005, TSOC-3015, TSOC-3131, TSOC-3132, TSOC-4001, TSOC-4002, TSOC-4015, TSOC-4025, TSOC-4055, TSOC-4091, TSOC-4105. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4035. This is a core course, the second of a sequence of two. Students are still located in the same Field Practice center for two days (15 hours) per week during the semester, supervised by a qualified practice instructor. This implies to students a greater mastering of the norms and procedures of the agency or organization, a better knowledge of the population being served and a greater confidence in their performance. This is, the course provides experiences that allow students to demonstrate dominion of the professional competences. Also, continues with the offering of a seminar that discusses important aspects for the professional work life of students initiating in the Social Work practice. The main focus of this course relates to the practice of general social work and to the mastering of the ten competencies required by the Department of Social Work and by the Accreditation Agency, *Council on Social Work Education* (CSWE). It provides experiences aimed to facilitate the application of the following theoretical approaches: general systemic, eco systemic, strength, resilience, and empowerment. The skills acquired in the classroom are applied to the problem-solving process with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities. Likewise, students integrate the ethical principles of the profession, giving emphasis in the respect for the human dignity, confidentiality, auto determination, and the commitment with social and economic justice, especially of those sectors that for their diversity and difference are at risk of exclusion, oppression, marginalization, and discrimination. In this course, knowledge and skills of scientific research in Social Work related to the identification of necessities, the development of a political practice, and other projects are integrated. Students apply this knowledge in the data assessment, in the development of interventions based on evidence, as well as in the evaluation of the services rendered and in their own practice.

**TSOC-4105. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TSOC-4015. Corequisite(s): TSOC-4091, TSOC-4025. This is a core course offered concurrent to the Field Practice I course (TSOC-4091) and Field Practice II course (TSOC-4025). In this course, the different notions and types of communities are presented for study. Concepts related to community competency, applicable theoretical approaches, and models used for a complete community development are studied. Structures and distribution of power, sources of community conflict, as well as the protection of human rights are analyzed. The practice process is applied at a general level, developing roles, functions, ethical and professional behavior in the community concept, and the implications of these phenomena in those sectors not represented in the power organisms and that are at risk of social and economic discrimination. Processes of citizen involvement, collective decision-making, social action, and leadership are studied. Community organization is studied as a strategy against the institutionalized forms of oppression, discrimination, marginalization, exclusion, and power control. It is provided curricular content on Social Work methodology with the communities, emphasizing in the constituent’s involvement on the identification processes and study-analysis of concerns, necessities, problems and strengths, planning,
execution of community actions, results evaluation, and professional performance. As part of the course, students visit different communities, interview community leaders, and present a final work on which they develop a social program or project to address necessities identified in a community or organization.

**TSOC-4145. MENTAL CONDITIONS AND BEHAVIOR DISORDERS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122. Corequisite(s): None. This is a course in the area related to Social Welfare. Offers the student an opportunity to obtain a vast knowledge with respect to the conduct denominated “diverted” and its characteristics. It is recognized that the student of Social Work must know diagnostics classifications nomenclature for better communication in the professional practice scenarios. Also, presents conceptual models and the alternate services that explain the so-called mental conditions and behavioral disorders.

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History and Objectives

The Department of Business Administration (ADEM, by its Spanish acronym) was established in 1967 with a Transfer program, an Associate Degree in Accounting, and an Associate Degree in Management. In the year 1980, due to the economic and industrial development of the Island’s Eastern Region, the Department is authorized to offer a Bachelor in Business Administration with a Major in Human Resources and in Management. In 1982, the Bachelor in Business Administration with a Major in Accounting was approved and in 2003 the Major in International Commerce. Also, the Minor in Taxes was approved in 2003-2004; an attractive alternative for students enrolled in one of the Department’s Majors. In 2020, ADEM was granted the license for offering the Major in International Commerce completely online.

The Department of Business Administration develops professionals capable of analyzing in a critical way our economic and social reality, prepared to solve problems on local and international public and private industries. ADEM offers several undergraduate academic programs, leading the student to occupy positions of responsibility and leadership in our society and continue graduate studies on different disciplines. The mission of the Department of Business Administration is:

1. Develop professionals at an undergraduate level with an integral and ethic formation, capable to incorporate themselves in the working world, or continue graduate studies, manage or create organizations, and compromise with the economic and social development of Puerto Rico from a local and international perspective.

2. Maintain a faculty compromised with the development of professionals having analytical and technological skills, with leadership capacity, entrepreneurship, and multicultural sensibility, which will allow them to be successful in an environment of global interdependence.

3. Promote academic and investigative activities for Puerto Rico, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

The vision of the Department of Business Administration is to become a leader center in the Caribbean of integral learning in the areas of development in Business Administration, at a local and international level.

The Department’s values are: 1) Personal and professional integrity, 2) Mutual respect and equity, 3) Excellence and innovation, 4) Social responsibility, 5) Leadership.

In 2012, the accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Business School and Programs (ACBSP) was granted to the Department until 2022.

The graduates from our programs have the skills to conduct research, and the interpersonal skills of communication, of leadership and of entrepreneurial creativity to promote the changes that a highly technological society needs. Also, have a multidisciplinary and professional general education that allow them to create and manage organizations with a high sense of commercial ethics and social responsibility.

The Department has three classrooms equipped with computers to offer courses that require the use of information systems and an open laboratory with 20 microcomputers for student use. Also, all the classrooms have a podium equipped with a personal computer (PC), a documentary camera, DVD, VHS, and a digital projector.

Academic Programs

The Department offers a bachelor in Business Administration with four choices of majors in:

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Also:

Minor in Taxes.

Online Program:

International Commerce, Totally Online

BACHELOR IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION WITH MAJOR IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE (Onsite)

The Major in International Commerce of the BBA prepares you to understand the processes leading to an exchange of goods and services between the world’s nations. Student of the BBA with major in International Commerce will have an overview of historical, cultural, geographical, and economical aspects of the world’s nations.

Curricular Sequence

Summary of credits:

| Liberal art courses | 54 |
| Professional courses | 37 |
| Core courses         | 19 |
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1 All language courses must be in levels. This is, Part I and Part II.
2 This course should be a continuation of Language I course. In the case of French language, must follow the sequence established for the course. (Consult with the Academic Counselor.)
3 Student enrolled in the course COIN4305, must take the corequisite course COIN4225 – Electronic Bibliographical Resources.
4 Student who opts for the study trip must enrolled in this course during the last semester, before completing his/her degree. However, the Program’s demand and other factors affecting the programming of the study trip, may require adjustments to this requisite. This course is generally offered every two years.
5 Student who opts for the exchange program will have to report immediately, before and after the exchange, with the program’s coordinator and with the academic counselor to evaluate if he/she qualifies for the term in which the course COIN4405 is offered.
6 Student who opts for this course should get enrolled through the Honors Program and communicate with the Honors Program Director. The course code will be PREH4985 – Honors Program Undergraduate Thesis. To be enrolled in this course the student must have approved the course COIN4305 – Methods and Techniques of Research in Business Administration.
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### Core electives:
Students may opt to complete their 9 core elective credits by three alternatives, with the counselor’s recommendation and subject to availability of the courses on other departments.

1. Core electives in functional area of International Commerce. Take 9 credits in courses of functional area. May select from the following courses:

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2. Additional courses must be taken in the same area of the student’s major.

3. Student who opts for the exchange program must complete a minimum of 2 courses.

4. Student who opts for the study trip must complete a minimum of 2 courses.

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12. Student who opts for the study trip must complete a minimum of 2 courses.
2. Students interested in pursuing a Master in Business Administration must take the course MECU3032. This course will be considered as a recommended core elective.

3. Interdisciplinary Electives. The student may take, in consultation with the Academic Counselor, courses of other disciplines that contribute to the major objectives.

**BACHELOR IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION WITH MAJOR IN ACCOUNTING**

This Major integrates General Education with the Administration fundamentals and the Accounting concepts and practices, with emphasis in communication, analysis and problem solving skills. The Accounting profession has a key responsibility in the offering of its services to users, because of the emphasis on providing financial information in a transparent, objective, reliable and impartial way, giving special support to the business decision-making process of economic nature. Financial activities affecting all types of organizations, are disclosed. People who study Accounting will obtain the needed competences and skills to collect, register, process and communicate information to profit and non-profit organizations, public or privates, among others, concerning information systems, procedures and auditing regulations, as well as the taxes aspect.

**Curricular Sequence**

**Summary of credits:**

- Liberal art courses ................................................................. 33
- Professional courses required.............................................. 77
- Core courses required ......................................................... 16
- Free electives ........................................................................ 4
- Recommended core electives .............................................. 7
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BACHELOR IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION WITH MAJOR IN HUMAN RESOURCES

The Bachelor in Business Administration with a Major in the management of Human Resources prepares professionals able to perform in the administration of capital and human talent within an organization. The graduate of this program will have the necessary capacity and skills to elaborate and operate strategies for the selection of human resources, develop and design work plans for the organization's personnel, as well as promote alternatives for education, development, and motivation. Also, it promotes good relations among employees, encouraging the teamwork, as well as the strengthening of this relations. These professionals are the facilitators among the personnel, and are the leaders in the evaluation of the work environment where the organization personnel are undertaking.

Curricular Sequence

Summary of credits:

- Liberal art courses..........................................................33
- Professional courses required..............................................77
- Core courses required........................................................9
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BACHELOR IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION WITH MAJOR IN MANAGEMENT

The Management profession prepares professionals to occupy positions of high hierarchy in the personnel organizational chart of a business organization, institution or company, or some sector (office, department, division, or workgroup) whose mission is to guide, lead, direct and coordinate different areas of the institution, managing efficiently the resources to obtain the maximum benefits. Some companies have only one manager, while in others is a group of managers reporting to a higher level (general manager, finance manager, human resources manager, production manager, among others). In addition to the management functions, a manager is in charge of contracting the managerial positions and key personnel, the performance evaluation of his/her work team, the compliance of the different areas’ objectives, the planning and establishments of goals to be fulfilled in a short or mid-term, the annual budgets and the reports developed for the top management, as required by the company.
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MINOR IN TAXES

The Minor in Taxes has the objective to prepare students to confront the compliance, planning and analysis of contributive situations. Will allow to increase the logical knowledge in order to provide solutions through the study of sources of research and corresponding contributive procedures. Also, it is expected that the student understands the technical concepts and applies laws related to different kind of taxes for different types of taxpayers. Consist of 13 credits.

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These courses go hand in hand with the requirements leading to the Bachelor’s academic degree to which the student is officially classified. Students will complete this Minor within the 150 percent of the time prescribed.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ADMI-3005. ADMINISTRATIVE THEORY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study of administration as a coordination process, as well as the functions and procedures executed in this process and the different approaches in the study of administration, with special emphasis in the approach of behavioral scientists, principles of responsibility, authority, organization, and ethics. Problems of centralization and decentralization, human conduct in the organization and group behavior. Emphasis is given to relations among individuals and groups in the process of administration, planning, organization, direction, and control. Quality Matters seal.

ADMI-3006. INTRODUCTION TO COMMERCE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The objective of this course is to familiarize the student with the commerce nature and the environment in which it operates. Expanding the commercial terminology will give him/her the social and environmental existing opportunities, as well as existing job opportunities.

ADMI-3016. ADMINISTRATIVE THEORY OF COMMUNICATION MEDIA. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is aimed at students interested in media organization and administration, whether organizing their own business or administrating and supervising existing businesses. It is designed to expose the student, in a practical and theoretical way, to real experiences in order to foment excellence in the most relevant formation about productivity, effectiveness and efficiency from the administrative functions point of view and its application in an educational and communication environment.

ADMI-3205. INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3005. Corequisite(s): ECON-3155. This course intends to expose students to the internationalization process and to concepts pertaining to this interesting world dynamic, namely: cultural, legal, and economic environment, foreign investment, rates of change, etc.

ADMI-3675. ADMINISTRATION TENDENCIES IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT. Credits: 6. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Consists of an
exchange of students and professors from a foreign university and the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao in order to share educational experiences related with the business administration tendencies in an international context. Students and professors at both universities will participate in a learning community, reinforced with visits to companies and cultural-historical places of the origin country. In addition to the teaching in classrooms, aspects of the business operations in both countries will be revealed. This is a non-traditional course that has an examination component to determine the origins of the differences in business administration applied to these countries in areas of accounting, marketing, operations, corporative laws, and organizational behavior, among others. Students will have the option to repeat the course so that the visit constitutes a different experience in another country.

ADMI-3676. FUNDAMENTS OF FINANCE, ECONOMY AND MARKETING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CONT-4065, MATE-3001. Corequisite(s): None. Study of general business concepts needed by the office professional, with emphasis in basic fundamentals of finance, economy, and marketing. This course will be offered in “team teaching” modality.

ADMI-4065. INDUSTRIAL ADMINISTRATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Theoretical and practical implications of modern scientific administration in an industry or commerce. Process, procedures and equipment for economic production, application of economy to management, techniques of planning and organization for the operations control and incentives to increase the production efficiency. Organization, procedures and politics of purchases, production, finances, sales, personnel, and budget control.

ADMI-4115. ENTREPRENEURSHIP. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): FINA-4028, MERC-4005. Corequisite(s): None. This course gives emphasis to the initiation and preparation of a business plan to generate financing and start operations. Studies the critical factors related to the conception, initiation, and development of new commercial adventures. The topics covered are to identify the characteristics of prospect businessmen, to innovate, to analyze the marketing potential for new products and services, to acquire an initial capital, to obtain capital for growth of an existing business, and to organize and operate a new business. It will be required that students prepare a business plan for a product or service with export potential.

ADMI-4205. MANAGEMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES INTERNSHIP. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 0. Prerequisite(s): GEOP-3005, REHU-4405. Corequisite(s): MERC-3115, ESTA-3042. Application of the theoretical knowledge acquired in the Majors of Management and Human Resources to a work situation with a similar environment to that where he/she will perform in the future.

COIN-3405. GLOBAL STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3205, MERC-4005. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the international commerce environment, strategic management and the international competition, methods to compete internationally, tendencies in global alliances, cultural aspects of International Commerce, cultural communication and intercultural negotiation, human resources administration at an international level and administration in a multicultural environment.

COIN-4105. INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE PROTOCOL. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3205. Corequisite(s): None. This course studies the processes of interpersonal interaction at work and in business relations from a global perspective. Also, studies the motivational factors that justify the protocol and etiquette rules appropriate for these commercial interactions and relations at different national cultural scenarios.

COIN-4106. IMPORTS AND EXPORTS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3205. Corequisite(s): None. Study of how to prepare businesses for international commercial transactions, including operations necessary for importing and exporting goods and services, strategies of marketing and investment, government programs to stimulate exports and an analysis of trading blocs and their impact in the local economy.

COIN-4225. ELECTRONIC BIBLIOGRAPHICAL RESOURCES. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. In the course students get to know and learn to manage technological media to search for information. Then, they integrate critical reading of the obtained information from the media to solve situations presented in areas of business administration. Skills of bibliographical research, use of technology and critical thinking are addressed, while knowledge of topics related to a course in progress is increased.

COIN-4305. METHODS AND TECHNIQUES OF RESEARCH IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ESTA-3042. Corequisite(s): None. This course is aimed at training students to be critical consumers of commercial research and to develop basic skills in the methods and techniques of it. Its content covers the problem identification and formulation, methodological designs, and techniques to collect, analyze, interpret, and present data. Discusses the ethical use of research in business.

COIN-4306. BEHAVIOR IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3205. Corequisite(s): None. This course includes the study of the impact of globalization effects and implications in the human conduct within the organizations. The student will be exposed to those concepts and theories that will allow them to understand organizational behavior from an international perspective and within a global context. The course includes
activities such as: analysis and case discussions that promote the students’ analytical capacity development.

COIN-4307. LEGAL ASPECTS IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3205. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a comprehensive study of the international rules and the laws that affect international commerce. Tries to equip the international business manager with an ample knowledge of the main international standards and other sources of laws, rules and practices that affect international sales, United States custom rules, regulations of foreign trade from the country of origin and foreign country, the environment, workforce, and business forms. Addresses the history, development and principles of the trade agreements process and associations, including, but not limited to the following: GATT, WTO, EU and NAFTA. The student will value the necessity to understand the legal and operational rules of business activities.

COIN-4405. STUDY TRIP. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 45. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The study travel is the practical and direct experience by which it is valued the culture, geography, economic development, social organization, and idiosyncrasy of the visited countries, in order to integrate that personal assessment on the theoretical studies, as a formative aspect of undeniable usefulness that complements all type of intellectual information. The trip is preceded by a pre-trip workshop offered during all semester, immediately before the trip.

COIN-4406. INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE INTERNSHIP. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 0. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3205, MERC-4005. Corequisite(s): None. In this course the student is exposed to a learning experience based in the practice of real work as part of the university academic formal education. This supervised work experience will allow the student to apply the acquired knowledge in the area of international commerce and develop new knowledge in a company. With this learning approach it is expected to place the student in a potential position to get a job in international commerce after graduation.

COIN-4215. INTERNATIONAL ADMINISTRATION OF HUMAN RESOURCES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study if human resources management and how is applied in different countries and continents throughout the world. Development of a global view and, at the same time, integral of the modern human resources professional. Special emphasis will be given to diversity and its impact in the globalization process of all components of human resources.

COIN-4205. OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT AND GLOBAL LOGISTICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESTA-3042. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the strategies, planning and administration of the logistics and global operations. Some of the subjects that will be analyzed are, among others, evolution and design of logistics and global operations; marketing strategies, development of suppliers’ network; physical distribution; transportation, management of storages and inventory control; risk administration in global operations; evaluation of global logistics and organizational structures that support excellence in global logistics.

CONT-3005. ELEMENTARY ACCOUNTING I. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course will familiarize the student with the nature, scope, and objectives of accounting and how it has affected its development by different society sectors. Theory and methodology are studied, emphasizing in the registry of income and expenses transactions and the forms used for presenting the financial information. Students relate with the accounting uses and importance for the owners, managers, lenders and public in general, who have different interests in financial information.

CONT-3006. ELEMENTARY ACCOUNTING II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Study of accounting concepts and principles and their application in the company operations. Discusses the internal control systems, cost allocation and depreciation methods. The student is familiarized with several organizations (corporations, mercantile societies, and own businesses), analyzing the components of capital, characteristics, and differences. The student applies the acquired knowledge in the analysis of financial statements using current and immediate ratios of the solvency indexes.

CONT-4307. INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNTING I. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006. Corequisite(s): None. Study and analysis of the accounting principles and procedures related with the adjustments and entry, valuation, and presentation of the assets in a financial statement.

CONT-4308. INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNTING II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-4307. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of the study and analysis of accounting principles and procedures related with fixed assets, corporate capital, and corrections of previous years. Study of the impact of price level changes on the financial statements.

CONT-3009. PUERTO RICO TAXES. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006. Corequisite(s): None. The different types of income taxes, property taxes, excise taxes, heritages, and other types of taxes existing in Puerto Rico, are studied. Taxable income, allowable deductions, flexible depreciation, basis for determining the tax payable, loans, calculations of normal contribution and of additional contribution as they affect individuals, partnerships, and corporations.

CONT-3015. ELEMENTARY ACCOUNTING FOR SECRETARIES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Includes a general study of the double-entry accounting basic elements with application on special journals, major subsidiaries, and other related books. Petty cash system control, preparation and analysis of payrolls and financial statements.

CONT-4325. COST ACCOUNTING. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006. Corequisite(s): None.
Study of the cost accounting principles and its role on administrative decisions. Different techniques of counting costs applicable to several forms of production, are studied. Covers budget principles and methods to set the basis on which the cost is determined and analyzes the routine procedures to compile costs information.

**CONT-3115. COMPUTERIZED ACCOUNTING.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006, SICI-4105. Corequisite(s): None. Through this course, students will develop the necessary skills to perform the routine accounting procedures on the computer using modules that integrate into the accounting system.

**CONT-4006. MANAGERIAL ACCOUNTING.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3005, CONT-3006. Corequisite(s): None. The course emphasizes the need that managers have to know the accounting uses, know the techniques used in it to understand and value this information in decision-making. Relates the student with the basic functions of management in the areas of planning, organization, direction, supervision, and activity controls of the company.

**CONT-4007. FEDERAL INCOME TAXES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis of federal income taxes law. Includes inclusions and exclusions to the gross income, allowable deductions, capital assets, withholding tax, credits for taxes paid to foreign countries and determining the contribution to be paid. *Quality Matters seal.*

**CONT-4016. CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN ACCOUNTING.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CONT-4308. Corequisite(s): None. Discussion and analysis of the postulates, current topics, and important elements in the accounting field. Emphasis is given to the study of the generally accepted accounting principles recently adopted by the profession and to the special funds expressed in recent statements and publications.

**CONT-4020. ACCOUNTING FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-4308. Corequisite(s): None. The course will provide a study of the accounting theoretical framework for non-profit entities, including the historical development of the fund accounting system. It will be studied the accounting budgeting process of different types of funds from state and municipal government, hospitals, universities, and other non-profit businesses. In addition, it will briefly discuss the standards and procedures of financial and operational audits from the public sector and from other non-profit entities.

**CONT-4045. ADVANCED ACCOUNTING.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-4308. Corequisite(s): None. Study of theories upon which rests the following accounting specialized problems: partnerships, allocations, sale terms, companies with financial problems, successions and trusts, domestic and foreign branches, consolidations and mergers, prices’ levels, inventories. Discussion of the principles ruling accounting on institutions and government, including budget, and general and special funds.

**CONT-4047. INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTING.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006. Corequisite(s): None. The course provides fundamental knowledge about the international environment and the context in which accounting is practiced worldwide. Includes a comparison of the accounting principles within the countries, effort for standardizing the generally accepted accounting principles, and discusses world events from an accounting perspective. The course integrates financial, managerial, contributive, and auditing accounting concepts and an analysis of financial statements applicable on transactions of a multinational company.

**CONT-4065. COMPUTARIZED BASIC ACCOUNTING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3065, ADSO-3066. Corequisite(s): None. General study of basic accounting elements and analysis of transactions, preparation of balances, worksheets, closing entries and financial statements using computer systems. Cash control and preparation of bank reconciliations. Payroll accounting, as provided by current laws and regulations.

**CONT-4075. THEORY AND PRACTICE OF AUDITING.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-4308. Corequisite(s): None. Studies the accounts’ intervention practices and gives emphasis to the accounting systems evaluation and the internal controls on which they are contained. Includes the study of auditing reports, rules, norms and procedures of accounts’ intervention, the application of statistical samples and of computers to the intervention processes and management services provided by the C.P.A. to the clients.

**CONT-4077. ACCOUNTING SKILLS DEVELOPMENT.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 12. Prerequisite(s): SICI-4105, CONT-4308, CONT-3009, CONT-4325, CONT-4075. Corequisite(s): None. Consists of an experience in a work center during a period of no less than 200 hours, during which students will have the opportunity to develop skills in one or more areas of financial, tax, managerial and/or governmental accounting.

**CONT-4115. CORPORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS INCOME TAXES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CONT 4007 or CONT 3009. Corequisite(s): None. It studies and analyzes the provisions of existing contributive statutes related to the determination of income taxes of different Corporations and Partnerships, whether federal, state, or municipal. Includes the discussion of contributive aspects related to capital taxes, operational income, allocations, and profits and losses of capital. Also, it studies the most important aspects of corporative reorganizations, tax incentives and contributive aspects related to Non-Profit Corporations.
CONT-4215. PRACTICE RESEARCH IN TAXES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 0. Prerequisite(s): CONT 4007 or CONT 3009. Corequisite(s): None. This course offers the student the alternative of having a practical experience in a work center or to perform research applied to the taxes subject. The work center experience will be for a period of no less than 150 hours. Students who opt for the research must select a subject about current tax situations. This research must be approved and supervised by the professor-coordinator of the course.

DEME-4005. BUSINESS LAW. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study and analysis of laws, doctrines and jurisprudence that regulates the mercantile transactions in Puerto Rico's society. Integration of these norms as part of the Puerto Rico law system, which includes subjects and doctrines of Common Law and Civil Rights.

ECON-3007. PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Condensed course about fundamentals of economy. Includes, the fundamental microeconomic theory aspects, although it continuously refers to the areas of macroeconomics in order to offer a wider view of the complex economic world that surrounds us. The course includes, in specific way, the following areas: fundamentals of economic science, economy systems, functioning of the economy system, national income measure, price and markets, manufacturing companies, supply determinants, theory of the firm, benefit, incomes and costs of production.

ECON-3155. PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course presents the theory and principles of economic activity at a business level. Emphasizes the different market types, presents the supply and demand models and their respective changes, utility concept and marginal utility in the consumer conduct. Presents the concept and model of supply and demand elasticity and emphasizes the cost concept and its different components in the short and long term. Quality Matters seal.

ECON-3165. PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ECON-3155. Corequisite(s): None. The course presents concepts of national product, national income, unemployment, and inflation. Presents the classical and Keynesian approaches and aspects of fiscal and monetary politics. Exposes notions of international economy and of economic growth and development. Presents the concepts of aggregated supply and demand.

ECON-4036. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF PUERTO RICO. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ECON-3007. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis of the process of economic and social development of Puerto Rico. Within the development theory, it will be considered the characteristics and tendencies of our economy, economic geography and economic history, political framework, population and workforce, physical resources, technology, transportation and communication, agriculture and industrial sector role, gross product, net income, balance of payments and commercial relations, public politics, public incomes and expenses, banking and credit facilities, and the interrelation of these factors in determining the socio-economic reality of Puerto Rico.

ECON-4085. INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3205, ECON-3165. Corequisite(s): None. Theory and practice of international commerce and capital movements. Includes: historical development, monetary exchange mechanism, problem of the types of change, balance of payments, international monetary problems, economic integration, and international agreements.

ESTA-3041. STATISTICS I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MECU-3031. Corequisite(s): None. This course emphasizes the fundamental aspects of descriptive statistics. It is aimed at those students who are familiarized with aspects of administration. This course intends to introduce the student to the descriptive statistics study, such as: statistical data analysis, dispersion, and variability measures. Also, it briefly discusses the probability theory.

ESTA-3042. STATISTICS II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESTA-3041. Corequisite(s): None. This course introduces statistical inference. Contains, in a specific way, the following areas: sampling distribution (of the mean, of proportions, etc.), parameters estimation, hypothesis test (for the arithmetic mean of population, differences among the means, etc.), non-parametric tests, regression and simple linear correlation, index numbers and chronological series.

FINA-3006. COMMERCIAL FINANCE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006, ECON-3007. Corequisite(s): None. The course covers the general principles of financial administration. Includes basically the following subjects: operational and legal context of businesses, financial analysis, financial planning and control techniques, capital budget administration, capital cost, financial sources and general financial aspects of the organization, expansion, and settlement in a new business.

FINA-3007. MONEY AND BANKING. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3005, ECON-3007. Corequisite(s): None. The course has as its objective to take the student to the knowledge of the fundamental principles which try to explain the economic activity within the monetary object context, and mainly includes the following subjects: concept, development and importance of monetary object economy, financial institutions and their role in the economic development and growth, structure and behavior of the banking industry, central banking and monetary politics, monetary economic theory and general aspects of the international monetary system.

FINA-4028. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FINA-4105. Corequisite(s): None. Familiarize students with the functioning of the balance of payment adjustment, international commerce, international monetary systems, and the funds flow in the world market,
both short and long term. It emphasizes the role played by the type of change in the process of the balance of payment adjustment.

FINA-4105. PRINCIPLES OF FINANCE. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): CONT-3006, ECON-3165. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the process of providing, administering, and distributing funds of a business. Deep study of analysis, planning and control of the financial decisions made in every business and the influence that capital markets have in these decisions.

GEOP-3005. OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESTA-3042. Corequisite(s): None. Modern analytical problems and techniques related with the most economical production of goods and services. Includes: introductory topics on systems design of operations production, planning and control. Provides adequate analytical structure to evaluate problems on all essential phases and principal components. The necessary criteria to evaluate these problems from a managerial point of view and the integration of these in the business general structure with the functions in term of the operations' analysis relevant to the production of goods and services for profit and non-profit businesses.

GEOP-4037. DECISIONAL PROCESS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): GEOP-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Explanation of the principles and models of elementary mathematics for decision-making in modern business. Includes: decision techniques theory, linear programming, and the elements of the economical inventory theory.

GEOP-4317. INDUSTRIAL SECURITY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Industrial planning to prevent accidents in the production, to protect human capital and properties and ensure the normal development of the operations at the most economical cost possible.

GEOP-4318. QUALITY CONTROL. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): GEOP-3005, SICI-4105. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the principles, techniques, and international standards for the statistical control of production quality, includes double sampling and sequential planning.

GEOP-4325. PURCHASES AND MATERIALS MANAGEMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): GEOP-3005, SICI-4105. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to materials control systems used in businesses. Discusses the concepts of production planning and control, materials planning requirements (MPR), Bill of Materials, MPA, capacity, etc.

GERE-3675. MANAGERIAL COMMUNICATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the human communication process, variables involved in it, sociological and psychological factors that influence and determine their effects in order to give the communicator scientific knowledge and mastering of this process. It emphasizes the value of communication used on administrative matters and communication theory, as well as of the related theoretical fields, the learning theory, group theories, etc. Relation between an effective communication and the administrative success in the business area.

MERC-2005. ART OF SELLING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MERC-3115. Corequisite(s): None. This course is structured so students can learn modern techniques of sales, emphasizing presentation, customer service, closing and function of the sale in the economical process. Also, it is considered fundamental to create in the student a positive attitude towards the sales profession.

MERC-2007. RETAIL STORES MANAGEMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MERC-3115. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis of the fundamental principles and of the practices successfully used in the organization and management of the businesses dedicated to retail commerce. Planning and control of retail merchandise, storage and inventories. Personnel administration and other operational problems.

MERC-3115. MARKETING PRINCIPLES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MERC-3115. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to the study of the marketing process as a managerial function. Emphasis in the analysis, planning, implementation, organization, and control of marketing programs.

MERC-4005. INTERNATIONAL MARKETING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MERC-3115. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the emerging issues in marketing through the national barriers, as well as the marketing emerging problems within markets from several nations. The situation of domestic exporting companies, as well as those companies that assemble or produce on foreign markets. Study of the necessary functions for the distribution of goods and services, from the exporter to multinational companies.

MERC-4055. ADVERTISING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MERC-3115. Corequisite(s): None. Basic principles of advertising. Advertising history until the present. Ethical, social, and economic problems of commercial advertisement. Development of an ad and the media selection to be used on its production. Role of the advertising agencies and advertising campaigns. Evaluation of the media and advertising strategies.

REHU-3025. INDUSTRIAL SUPERVISION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): REHU-4405. Corequisite(s): None. How to supervise office employees and production workers. The art of communicating with subordinates. How to delegate, establish discipline and maintain labor-management relations. Motivational and leadership techniques and the important role of the supervisor in the organization.

REHU-4005. BUSINESS ETHICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3005, ECON-3007. Corequisite(s): None. As science, business ethics is the study of the fair distribution of wealth. This involves a specific concept of man. The man is presented through its two affinities, of
things and of right solutions. Analyzes economic, political, and moral formulas in order to help resolve problems of wealth. The cooperative system, capitalist with social responsibility and the democrat government as a guardian of equality, dignity and freedom of all citizens.

REHU-4046. INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): REHU-4405. Corequisite(s): None. Principles of general psychology as applied to situations and problems that affect management. Discussion of psychological factors that contribute to the efficient functioning of an industrial and commercial organization and assist in developing good human relations and industrial relations, evaluation of aptitudes and intelligence, and other important characteristics of work situations.

REHU-4405. HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to the different strategies, practices, procedures, and legal aspects related to an effective management of human resources in the organizations. Study of theories, methods and techniques related to the role of human resources management within the economic, domestic, and global context.

REHU-4406. LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): REHU-4405. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis of relations' dynamics among unions and employers of organizations, both in Puerto Rico and United States, from its origins until present. Emphasis in the study of structures of the involved parties in the labor-management relations, as well as strategies used for each side in the compliance of their functions. Introduction to basic processes related to collective negotiation, administration agreements and their relationship with the non-union sector.

REHU-4407. WAGES AND SALARIES ADMINISTRATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): REHU-4405. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to the design, implementation, and administration of an effective compensational system. Emphasis in the organizational diagnosis in terms of the internal and external influences as a prelude of design and administration of a compensation system.

REHU-4408. ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADMI-3005, PSIC-3005. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to fundamental concepts, theories and processes related to the study of individuals, groups, and organizations behavior. Focuses on the organization as an open system.

REHU-4410. TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): REHU-4405. Corequisite(s): None. The course emphasizes the aspect of how to train and plan personnel development within any kind of organization; and the role the human resources manager should adopt in personnel development. Includes the use of different techniques of evaluation, measurement, and training of Human Resources.

REHU-4419. LABOR LAW. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): REHU-4405. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis of labor and social legislation (federal and local) and how it affects making business decisions. Study and analysis of the jurisprudence settled by the Supreme Court and the effects on organizations. Emphasizes the importance of labor law, focusing on protective labor law.

SICI-3115. COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course introduces the information systems' impact on our business world, in specific areas like the access to information through the Internet, data processors and the use of the computer as a tool for preparing commercial presentations. It is established the necessity of standardization and uniformity in the communication of data and information in an organization. Provides practical experiences with data processing systems, access to the Internet and its use, and programs for the presentations development.

SICI-4105. COMPUTER TOOLS IN SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Examines the applications of the computer to the information necessities in a business, and the available programs for modern microcomputers, from the perspective of an individual user. Although studies the systems development, it is emphasized the use of available commercial programming. However, it is established the necessity of standardization and uniformity in the data organization and communication. The course provides practical experiences with common processing systems of text, graphics, database management, electronic worksheets, project management, accounting, statistics, and others.

SICI-4106. INTRODUCTION TO THE TECHNOLOGY OF ELECTRONIC COMMERCE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): SICI-4105, ADMI-3005. Corequisite(s): MERC-3115. This course will give a general tour of the knowledge developed until now on how to transform a traditional business (without technology presence) into a business with a face and commercial component on the Internet that will allow to inform, communicate and trade using electronic means. This will have a marketing focus, but still examining other administrative aspects of the modern business (strategies, planning, operations, logistics, service, quality, etc.). Strongly emphasizes the design techniques and corresponding computational tools applied to the commercial world that, as of today, make possible the presence and electronic commerce. Students will make multiple uses of examples available in the Internet to be used as models of discussion and design.
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Office Systems Administration

**History and Objectives**

The Department of Secretarial Sciences opened its doors to the community in 1967 in what was then known as the Humacao Regional College. In July 1994, the name changed to Department of Systems Administration in order to go hand in hand with the technological changes in business and in the modern office. That is why high technology equipment and programs are combined with innovative teaching techniques and actualized curriculums to ensure that learning becomes practical, effective, and challenging.

We offer a variety of courses to prepare students on different administrative and managerial areas, as well as the opportunity to enroll on medical and legal certifications. Also, students are equipped in technology and they can certificate as a Microsoft Specialist.

**Mission**

The Department of Office Systems Administration has the mission to prepare professionals, in a holistic way, with the necessary competencies in the global socio-economic area to perform with success in the office administration; and promotes the commitment towards a balance of environment, inclusion, diversity and values of the profession and of the society in general.

**Vision**

The Department of Office Systems Administration intends to continue offering, in a unique and distinguished way, an academic offer that gives graduates the opportunity and security to stand as an essential asset in a company. Furthermore, students will be able, with the competencies obtained, to aim at promotions at the highest levels of management.

**Values**

As a result of a reflexive process and a continuing assessment, we at the Department of Office Systems Administration of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao, affirm our loyalty to the following values: commitment, integrity, innovation, excellence, and service.

We are committed to act in accordance with these values:

- **Commitment** – Our Department is committed to the highest standards of ethics and integrity.
- **Integrity** – Promotes integrity, value characterized by sincerity, honesty, authenticity, and the search for excellence. Integrity influences conduct, decision-making, actions, and expressions. These aspects are exposed in the intellectual and personal honesty in the process of learning, teaching and research.

**Innovation** – The effective use of technology increases productivity and maximizes professional development opportunities. Technology will be worked conforming to the emerging changes brought by globalization.

**Excellence** – We aspire to excellence, which is reachable through the diligent effort of both individual and collective work. We recognize the risks and responsibilities of pursuing excellence. We are committed to reaching the highest objectives proposed.

**Service** – Collaboration as a means to guarantee contribution, so our students obtain significant and relevant experiences.

**Academic Programs**

The Department offers a study program leading to the academic degree of: Bachelor in Office Systems Administration.

Prepares the graduate to execute as an administrative managerial assistant in the industry, banking and public or private agencies. Trains them to compete with the demands of any business requiring specialized personnel attuned with the technological advances and challenges, allowing to have complete formation on technology tools and their applications. Also, the graduate will have the preparation needed to exercise in legal and medical environments.

We offer the opportunity to enroll in courses for the Teacher's Certificate in Commercial Education exam offered by the Puerto Rico Department of Education.

**BACHELOR IN OFFICE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATION**

**Curricular Sequence**

**Summary of credits:**

- General courses..............................................................45
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### Course Descriptions

**ADSO-2120. Didactic Business.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-4037 (ADSO2035), ADSO-4029 (ADSO2025), ADSO-4057 and ADSO-4058 (ADSO2045) and CONT-4065 (CONT3015). Corequisite(s): None. This course will provide the student with practice in a real office environment. In it, the importance of ergonomics and environmental conservation in today’s working world will be taken into consideration. It will facilitate the student to practice several secretarial skills and office procedures, such as: production of several office documents, receive and process phone calls, making decisions and time management. Also, promotes teamwork so that the student can project his/her capacity to maintain appropriate interpersonal relations. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-3009. Speedwriting in Spanish.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3101. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3010 and ESPA-3102. This course is a professional elective. Includes teaching of principles and abbreviations of the speed writing system based on the alphabet and phonetics of the Spanish language. Also, includes reading and writing of abbreviated words, taking dictations at different velocities and the application of orthography, punctuation, and other aspects of the Spanish language to achieve an acceptable hand transcription. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-3010. Speedwriting in Nspanish Laboratory.** Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): ESPA-3101. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3009 y ESPA-3102. This Laboratory course will be a complement of the Spanish Speed Writing course. It will provide the student with additional exercises for practice through reading, writing, and taking dictation of material presented in class. Also, the area of grammar in Spanish language will be reinforced to achieve an acceptable transcription. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.
ADSO-3018. SPEEDWRITING IN ENGLISH. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3101 or INGL-3103. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3019. This course is a speedwriting system based in the alphabet and in the phonetics of the English language. Also, includes reading and writing of abbreviated words and taking dictation at different velocities. Application of orthography, punctuation, and other aspects of the English language to achieve an acceptable hand transcription. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

ADSO-3019. SPEEDWRITING IN ENGLISH LABORATORY. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): INGL-3101 or INGL-3103. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3018. This course will be a complement of the Speedwriting in English course. Exercises for additional practice will be provided through reading, writing and dictation of abbreviated words and the transcription of material presented in class. Also, the grammatical area of the English language will be reinforced to achieve an acceptable transcription. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

ADSO-3060. BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Teaching, from handling to touch, of computer alphanumeric and symbols keyboarding. Elements and operations of an information computer system are taught. The essential components of an operative system, types and elements of the windows and dialog frame elements, are presented. Shows the basic functions of different applications of a “suite” to produce personal and business documents. Gives emphasis to the basic techniques for the posture in front of the computer, proofreading of the work and documents review. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

ADSO-3065. BASIC COMPUTER KEYBOARDING. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3066. Teaching, from handling to touch, of the computer keyboard (alphabetic, symbolic and numbers keypad). Emphasis in the development of speed and accuracy skills. Also, the course provides students the opportunity of learning basic functions of a word processor program. The student learns to use the basic functions to highlight text and get to know the work screen. Special attention will be given to the basic techniques, to the good work habits, and to proofreading and analysis of errors. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

ADSO-3068. INTRODUCTION TO TEXT PROCESSING. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3065, ADSO-3066. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3069. This course will continue to develop speed and accuracy skills. Will strengthen the mastering of basic techniques and other acquired knowledge on the course Basic Computer Keyboarding. Will apply the basic functions in the use of an electronic text processing program on the production of simple documents, such as: business letters, memorandum, envelopes, manuscripts, tabulation, and simple tables. Also, emphasis will be given to proofreading, evaluation of produced documents and to the improvement of attitudes. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

ADSO-3069. INTRODUCTION TO TEXT PROCESSING LABORATORY. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3065, ADSO-3066. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3068. This laboratory is a complement of the course Introduction to Text Processing I. Students may select exercises as necessary to strengthen their knowledge and achieve a mastering of the functions presented in class. Emphasis will be given to the development of basic skills at superior levels. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

ADSO-3077. TEXT PROCESSING PRODUCTION I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3068 y ADSO-3069. Corequisite(s): None. Integration of basic techniques, attitudes, work habits and proofreading skills to the execution of intermediate and advanced functions of an electronic text processing program. Emphasis will be given to assigned functions in the production of complex business documents on English and Spanish languages, such as: business letters in different memorandum styles, announcements, reports, tables, business forms, and financial statements. The course will continue developing the skills of speed and accuracy at superior levels. It will provide an open laboratory with additional exercises to reinforce the skills, as needed by students. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

ADSO-3078. TEXT PROCESSING PRODUCTION II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3077. Corequisite(s): None. Production of complex business documents, both in English and Spanish, using simulations of related tasks. Training and intensive practice will be provided in advanced functions of a text processing program, such as: making complex tables, works in columns, paging styles, macros, etc. Emphasis will be given to techniques of creating and editing, directly on the computer, various documents from different offices in the business, such as: Legal Department, Accounting and Finance Department, and the Department of Human Resources. Additional exercises will be given in an open...
laboratory to strengthen the knowledge acquired in class. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4029. DOCUMENT ADMINISTRATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course allows students to be aware of the importance of managing documents when controlling information in a modern office. In it, the factors to be considered when implanting a document administration system will be examined from its justification. Emphasis will be given to the necessary techniques in order to measure the effectiveness of all the system programs. It will be analyzed the different classification systems. It will encourage discussions of real situations from their experience related with document administration. At last, students will get familiarized with the technological advances and their use on document preservation, recovery, and disposal. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4037. OFFICE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATION PROCEDURES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3078. Corerequisite(s): ADSO-4168. This course is designed to develop students’ skills, knowledge, and competencies necessary to perform adequately the duties and responsibilities of an administrative assistant. The course emphasizes the teaching of administrative procedures, such as time management and mail management, trip coordination for the executive, phone call processing, coordination of activities, meetings, etc. Also, the course stimulates critical thinking and decision-making through case studies. The course presents functions of several specializations: medical, legal, banking, educational, governmental, among others. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4057. APPLICATION INTEGRATION ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3077. Corequisite(s): ADSO-4058. Training in the functions and utilities of different information processing programs. This course is designed to introduce the concept of an integrated office and the elaboration of different types of reports. Students will use programs of electronic worksheets, database and graphics, calendars, electronic mail, and others. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4058. APPLICATION INTEGRATION ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS LABORATORY.** Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3077. Corequisite(s): ADSO-4057. This laboratory is a complement of the course Spreadsheets and Database Applications. Exercises will be provided as additional practice to strengthen the mastering of functions from different information processing programs and their integration. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4095. OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE SEMINAR.** Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-4057, ADSO-4058, ADSO-4210, ADSO-4029 and ADSO-4157. Corequisite(s): ADSO-4096. Presentation and discussion of subjects and situations, hypothetical and real, related with the course of Occupational Experience, with the purpose of determining the appropriate conduct on each case. Coordination of activities that help students in their professional development are made. Also, students’ doubts of their occupational experience are clarified to help them in the transition period, from student to a professional. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4096. OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 8. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-4057, ADSO-4058, ADSO-4210, ADSO-4029 and ADSO-4157. Corequisite(s): ADSO-4095. All the knowledge, abilities and skills acquired through all the courses are applied to a real office.

**ADSO-4155. HUMAN RELATIONS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to guide students in the analysis and interpretation of human conduct from a personal perspective and based in their experience on a complex society, of constant change and in the work world. Students may clarify their philosophy of life and, therefore, understand and strengthen their relations with others. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4157. PLANNING, DESIGN AND ORGANIZATION OF TRAININGS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study and application of basic concepts related to planning and organization of training for the office personnel. Emphasis will be given to the techniques for identifying training necessities in the office personnel and to offer workshops to users of electronic equipment. Also, it will be studied the basic concepts for establishing a continuous training plan for the personnel in service. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4165. MANAGEMENT AND PRODUCTION OF MEDICAL DOCUMENTS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3077. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a professional elective. Provides the student with the development of skills, knowledge and attitudes needed to perform as an administrative assistant in a medical office. Emphasis is given to the procedures and terminology related to this field. Also, the course stimulates critical thinking, decision-making and the process of confidentiality as an ethical principle. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4166. ELECTRONIC PUBLICATIONS.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3077. Corequisite(s): ADSO-3078. Training in the design, elaboration, and production of the office’s own publicity documents using information electronic processing programs. Students will design advertising sheets, prepare presentations, flyers, brochures, invitations, graphic designs, presentation cards and letterheads for papers and envelopes, among others. Also, students will become familiar with and use predefined formats in the programs. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4167. ELECTRONIC PRESENTATIONS.** Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None.
This course is a professional elective to train on a program of presentations that facilitates the development of visual material for electronic expositions. It will provide the necessary skills to create, process and present information in a clear and attractive way. During the course, students will prepare an electronic presentation of a report using the program’s tools. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4168. ELECTRONIC PROCEDURES.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-4166. Corequisite(s): ADSO-4037. In this course students get to know different utilities and programs of the computer for the planning of the daily office work. They will perform tasks of planning, such as: updating the electronic appointment calendar, coordinating committee meetings, gathering information from the Internet, maintaining the phone and fax directories, planning of time, and establishing priorities. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4175. MANAGEMENT AND PRODUCTION OF LEGAL DOCUMENTATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3077. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a professional elective. It is designed for the student to develop the necessary knowledge and competencies to efficiently perform his/her responsibilities on a legal environment. Emphasis is given to legal terminology, types of courts, and their jurisdiction in the different cases. Also, stimulates critical thinking and decision-making through the study of several cases. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4176. MEDICAL BILLING.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-3077. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a professional elective. Presents the basic concepts of medical plans billing. Also, trains the student in the methodology and collection techniques of medical-hospital services rendered to the requesting patient. The student may apply the acquired knowledge when performing exercises of electronic billing using a specialized application computer program. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4178. EXPLORING THE INTERNET.** Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a professional elective. In it, the student relates with the Internet uses and resources, how to connect to it and access it. Students will learn to access the World Wide Web to search information, use e-mail, identify some application and entertainment programs, and use terminology related to tagging of “net citizens”. The student can apply the acquired knowledge when performing information search exercises and related projects. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4185. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT CENER.** Credits: 6. Conference hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-4165, ADSO-4175. Corequisite(s): None. This course is a professional elective. By providing administrative support in a real work environment, students will have the opportunity to integrate the acquired skills and knowledge. Also, students will have the opportunity to share on different phases of legal and medical administrative work. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**ADSO-4210. OFFICE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ADSO-4037. Corequisite(s): None. Competencies development in the area of office administration and employee supervision. Application of administration concepts to the establishment, coordination, implementation and evaluation of office systems and procedures. Will evaluate the effective methods to automate the office on new systems, new equipment, new procedures, as well as personnel necessities. The course will be offered onsite, hybrid or remotely.

**FACULTY**

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REYES GARCÍA, IVELISSE. *Associate Professor,* MA, 1995, Inter American University, Puerto Rico.

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HEALTH SCIENCES
History and Objectives

The Department of Nursing was founded in 1967 with the establishment of the second program in Puerto Rico of Associate Degree (the first was in the UPR–Mayagüez Campus). On 1971 received the full accreditation of the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) and has been uninterruptedly accredited for 43 years. Because of the new tendencies on the recruitment of nursing personnel in PR, the Associate Degree Program terminated in the UPRH by 2014, with the distinction of being accredited. In 1976, the Puerto Rico Higher Education Council approved the proposal to offer the Bachelor Program on Sciences of Nursing. The curriculum was designed using the theoretician model of Callista Roy, becoming the first program in Puerto Rico to apply a unique model on nursing and the second to apply the Adaptation Model of Callista Roy on the American Nation. The Bachelor Program in Sciences of Nursing of the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao obtained its initial accreditation in 1992 by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (former Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing), 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, Georgia 30326, Tel. 1-404-975-5000, http://www.acenursing.org. This distinction has been uninterruptedly maintained in every cycle of reaccreditation during the past 26 years. Our next reaccreditation will be in Autumn 2019.

In four years, the Bachelor Program in Nursing prepares professionals in general nursing, with the knowledge needed to provide direct care to individuals, family, and community on different health scenarios. The curriculum is based in the Adaptation Model of Callista Roy. Through it, students acquire knowledge in biological, psychological, social, humanistic, and nursing sciences that capacitate them to provide safe and effective direct care to individuals, families, and communities in a variety of health care scenarios. The graduate gets prepared with the essential elements of nursing education in the XXI century, complying with the competencies needed to carry out professional interventions using skills of leadership, critical thinking, communication competencies, client-centered care ethical-legal aspects, based on the nursing practice standards and practice based on evidence.

The Program’s graduates are eligible to take the licensing test in order to execute as a Generalist Nursing in Puerto Rico. The generalist nurse is the person responsible of planning, execute, delegate, and evaluate the actions in the nursing practice. Works in coordination with the interdisciplinary team. Directs and supervises the care offered by associates and practice nurses. Also, can work independently and offer services by contracts with agencies and individuals.

Results from the Bachelor of Sciences in Nursing.

1. Performs professional practice to promote health, reduce risks and manage situations of adaptation when intervening with the individual, family, groups, and community respecting their preferences, values, and necessities.

2. Incorporates critical thinking for decision-making and problem solving to ensure quality care based on scientific knowledge and practice based on evidence.

3. Uses effective oral, written, and technological communication with the peers of nursing and interpersonal, individual, family, group, and community to mitigate errors and support the process of decision making.

4. Incorporates research for nursing practice based on evidence when considering the preferences and values of the individual, family, groups, and community to promote quality care.

5. Performs the professional role of nursing when offering quality care within an ethical-legal and moral framework consistent with the professional standards and the national safety goals.

6. Applies bio psychosocial and scientific knowledge to offer culturally sensitive care to a diverse population that reflects a practice of quality, safe and cost-effective.

7. Shows skills of leadership and administration caring in collaboration with the inter-professional team in the provision of quality care, respecting the preferences, values, and necessities of the client.

Academic Programs

The Department offers a study program leading to the following academic degree: Bachelor of Science with a Major in Nursing.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCES IN NURSING

The Program prepares the future general nurses with the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed for professional nursing practice in a variety of structured and non-structured scenarios. The curricular sequence includes courses in general education, basic sciences, and nursing. Also, includes the necessary bio-psychosocial areas as reference for the decision-making process to design and carry out the client centered care of nursing, safely and effectively. The curriculum is organized with four academic levels, comprised in 131 credits, distributed as follows:
Curricular Sequence

Summary of credits:
- General education courses: 63
- Core course: 56
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From the curriculum’s third level, students can select twelve elective credits to enrich their personal and professional growth and development. Some of these are offered as an alternative in the e-learning or hybrid modality*. Among the elective courses offered by the Nursing Department are:

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ENFE-3111. INTRODUCTION TO NURSING SCIENCES. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1011, BIOL-1012, MATE-3071, BIOL-2001, BIOL-2002. Corequisite(s): ENFE-3112, BIOL-1013, BIOL-1014. This course studies the historical evolution and the nursing science nature. Students get to know concepts related to the health-illness continuum and the human being’s holistic nature. Some theories related to nursing sciences are discussed, with emphasis in Sister Callista Roy’s Adaptation Model. Describes the roles that the nursing professional can perform in the nursing practice. Laws and rules that govern the profession in Puerto Rico, are discussed. The student is introduced in the nursing process to use it as a theoretical framework for the nursing practice and as an essential tool for the promotion, maintenance, and restoration of the individual’s adaptation level.

ENFE-3112. LABORATORY OF INTRODUCTION TO NURSING SCIENCES. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1011, BIOL-1012, BIOL-2001, BIOL-2002, MATE-3071. Corequisite(s): ENFE-3111, BIOL-1013, BIOL-1014. In this laboratory, students learn the concepts related to the human being in adaptation, their environment, health, and nursing, to construct a self-conceptualization of the profession. Students can introduce themselves in the development of communication skills and inter-professional relations. Examines the ethical-legal responsibility, the moral and standards of the practice in Puerto Rico inherent to the nursing profession. Students get introduced in the application of the nursing process, based on the Sister Callista Roy’s Adaptation Model, as an instrument to encourage the individual’s healthy adaptation by promotion and prevention. Students are familiarized in the identification of common databases to understand the practice concept based on evidence. The laboratory experiences are made through classroom simulated situations.

ENFE-4035. ADAPTATION OF THE HUMAN BEING IN HIS/HER LIFE CYCLE. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-3111, ENFE-3112, BIOL-1013, BIOL-2001, MATE-3071. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4036, QUIM-3161, QUIM-3013. This course discusses aspects of health promotion and maintenance. It emphasizes the responsibility of nursing in the role of promotion and maintenance of the human being’s adaptation to different growth and development stages. Death process is studied as a normal process within the cycle of life. Different assessment methods are discussed for collecting data of clients. Students are introduced in the study of nursing basic skills as an integral part of care. Nursing interventions are studied for promotion and maintenance of adaptation responses in the human being’s physiological and psychosocial aspects.

ENFE-4036. LABORATORY OF ADAPTATION OF THE HUMAN BEING IN HIS/HER LIFE CYCLE. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 12. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-3111, ENFE-3112, BIOL-1013, BIOL-2001. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3161, ENFE-4035. In this course, students use the nursing process to promote human beings’ adaptation on different growth and development stages and consider cultural diversity. Students are introduced in the development of the nursing basic skills, such as: vital signs measures, administration of medications, hygiene, laboratory samples, among others. These skills are necessary for promoting and maintaining adaptive answers in the human being. Introduces the use of nursing records and physical assessment as systematic methods for the clients’ health data collection on different ages and in the use of the adaptation model. The student can participate in community institutions carrying out activities aimed at the promotion and maintenance of health, such as: family medicine program, hospital external clinics, schools, clinical laboratories, and centers for the elderly.

ENFE-4081. NURSING INTERVENTION IN ADULTS WITH ADAPTATION PROBLEMS. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4091, ENFE-4092, QUIM-3162, QUIM3014. Corequisite(s): ESTA-3041, ENFE-4082. This course studies nursing therapeutic interventions aimed at solving problems of adult adaptation. Emphasizes the physiological mode components (fluid and electrolyte balance, oxygenation, nutrition, disposal, activity and rest, senses, neurological and endocrine function, and protection) and how other modes (role, interdependency, and auto-concept) are affected during the hospitalized adult illness. Adaptation problems are studied related with the aging process, the nurse role, and cultural and global aspects. Also, it is discussed within an ethical-legal framework, therapeutic interventions with the adult client during the operative process. In this course, the student recognizes the necessity of using the nursing process to analyze, diagnose adaptation problems, make decisions, plan, and execute the best practices to guarantee safe and effective care.

ENFE-4082. LABORATORY OF NURSING INTERVENTION IN ADULTS WITH ADAPTATION PROBLEMS. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 12. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3162, QUIM3014, ENFE-4091, ENFE-4092. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4081, ESTA-3041. This laboratory provides students the opportunity to intervene with hospitalized adult clients with adaptation problems. Students learn to master assessment skills of clients’ ineffective conducts. Students integrate the knowledge of biopsychosocial sciences and use the nursing process as a tool to promote adaptation. The course emphasizes the use of critical thinking and the integration of practice based on evidence to execute nursing skills required to solve adaptation problems related to balance of fluids and electrolytes, oxygenation, nutrition, activity and rest, senses, neurological function, endocrine function and protection. Also, applies the ethical-legal aspects on nursing interventions with the surgical clients or with alterations of physiological mode. The laboratory experiences are made in the simulation laboratory and in the hospital.

ENFE-4091. PHYSIOLOGICAL ALTERATIONS IN THE HUMAN BEING’S ADAPTIVE PROCESS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4035, ENFE-4036, QUIM-3161, QUIM3013, MATE-3071, BIOL-2001. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4092, QUIM3161, QUIM-3014. In this course, the student analyzes the most common health deviations which occur in the human
organism. The student is guided to understand the biological changes occurring in the organism in such deviations. The knowledge in natural sciences is applied to analyze physiological alterations on different systems of the body, the etiology (stimuli) and the modalities of treatment used in the most common health conditions.

ENFE-4092. LABORATORY OF PHYSIOLOGICAL ALTERATIONS IN THE HUMAN BEING’S ADAPTIVE PROCESS. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4035, ENFE-4036, QUIM-3161, QUIM3013, MATE-3071. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4091. This course offers the student the opportunity to apply strategies of the health-illness continuum. Through the application of assessment strategies, the student analyses clinical manifestations (ineffective behaviors), diagnose studies and medical treatment of the client presenting health deviations. Laboratory experiences are performed in simulated scenarios and in secondary and third level health care institutions. The knowledge acquired in the course is applied to future nursing therapeutic interventions.

ENFE-4096. PSYCHOPATHOLOGICAL ALTERATIONS IN THE HUMAN BEING’S ADAPTIVE PROCESS. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4091, ENFE-4092, PSIC-3005. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4097, ESTA-3041. In this course, the student analyzes the environmental stressors, which provokes psychopathological alterations in the adaptive process of the human being. Bio-psychosocial sciences knowledge is applied when considering physiological and psychosocial aspects that produce alterations in the adaptation level of the client and family. Analyzes ethical-legal, economic, and political issues that influence the care of clients with psychopathologic alterations. Applies concepts of the practice based on evidence to analyze different treatment modalities used in the client with psychopathological alterations according with the clinical scenario. Also, nursing therapeutic interventions are discussed taking into consideration the cultural diversity.

ENFE-4097. LABORATORY OF PSYCHOPATHOLOGICAL ALTERATIONS IN THE HUMAN BEING’S ADAPTIVE PROCESS. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): PSIC-3005, ENFE-4091 and ENFE-4092. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4096. Provides the student with the opportunity to consider and intervene with patients on different attention levels in the areas of Mental Health and Psychiatric. Through the interactions, the student will analyze different manifestations of ineffective conduct presented by clients in the psychological modes considering the stressors of the environment. The student will be able to recognize adaptation problems presented by the clients and plan appropriate nursing actions for intervening with ineffective conducts. The student will be able to participate in different therapeutic modalities used on mental health and psychiatric jointly with the mental health care inter-professional team.

ENFE-4111. CLIENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1013, BIOL-1014. Corequisite(s): None. This course integrates theoretical knowledge and interpersonal skills to perform the client’s physical assessment, focusing on findings’ discernment of the client’s adaptive and ineffective conducts. Emphasizes in the use of competencies of problem-solving, critical thinking, and recognition of global multidimensional cultural diversity through the human being’s life cycle. The physical assessment course provides the student with a systematic method for collecting data using the nursing process. The student develops the skill to perform a physical exam and a psychosocial assessment on the client using as reference the Sister Callista Roy’s Adaptation Model.

ENFE-4112. LABORATORY OF CLIENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1013. Corequisite(s): None. This course emphasizes skills in the physical, psycho-social, cultural, and spiritual assessment of the client and family as well as the factors that influence behaviors through the health-illness continuum. The student uses the nursing process to assess the client through the techniques of inspection, palpation, percussion, and auscultation. The course provides guides on specific physical assessment techniques and the student develops the skill and discerns among the normal findings through the life cycle and the pathophysiological processes. Several experiences are provided, and the students use advanced technologies and laboratory skills to develop the necessary abilities to perform the systematic physical exam. These experiences give the opportunity to integrate the necessary knowledge and skills to develop the record and carry out the physical test, psychosocial assessment, and perform the finding’s documentation. The necessary resources are provided for students to collect client’s data and show a complete physical exam on different structured and non-structured scenarios.

ENFE-4139. NURSING RESEARCH. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ESTA-3041, ENFE-4081, ENFE-4082, ENFE-4096, ENFE-4097. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4140, ENFE-4145, ENFE-4146. In this course, students examine the methods, phases, and techniques of the scientific research process. Emphasizes in managing informatics and technology for searching research studies, on ethical-legal aspects and on the application of the findings to the best nursing practice. The course allows students to visualize the process of research as a tool for nursing practice based on evidence and as part of its continuing professional growth.

ENFE-4140. LABORATORY OF NURSING RESEARCH. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESTA-3041, ENFE-4081, ENFE-4082. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4139, ENFE-4145, ENFE-4146. This course allows students to get involved with the research process methods and techniques. It emphasizes the identification and formulation of research problems and the promotion to use technology in the search for literature and in the research application on nursing practice. Promotes search and review of literature and the critical analysis of nursing clinical research. Allows students to learn the value of the importance of research for a practice based on evidence and as an important component of the profession.
ENFE-4145. NURSING PROCESS IN THE ADAPTATION OF THE PREGNANT WOMAN AND THE CHILD. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4081, ENFE-4082, ENFE-4096, ENFE-4097, ESTA-3041. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4146, ENFE-4139, ENFE-4140, SOCI-3245. This course studies the adaptation problems of pregnant women and child within the familiar context. Analyzes the adaptation problems during prenatal, labor, and post-partum stages. Studies the integration of the newborn in the family, as well as adaptation problems of the child and adolescent and their responses to hospitalization. Leads the student to analyze mother’s responses on the four adaptive modes during maternal cycle. The student analyzes the child and adolescent’s responses to illness. This analysis is based on bio-psychosocial, humanistic, and nursing knowledge.

ENFE-4146. LABORATORY OF NURSING PROCESS IN THE ADAPTATION OF THE PREGNANT WOMAN AND THE CHILD. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 12. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4081, ENFE-4082, ENFE-4096, ENFE-4097. Corequisite(s): SOCI-3245, ENFE-4145, ENFE-4139, ENFE-4140. This course studies nursing interventions with the pregnant woman and the child within the familiar context. Analyzes adaptation problems during the pre-natal, labor, and post-partum periods. Studies the integration of the newborn in the family, as well as adaptation problems of the child and adolescent and their responses to hospitalization. Leads the student to analyze mother’s responses on the four adaptive modes during maternal cycle and analyzes the child and adolescent’s responses to illness. This analysis is based on bio-psychosocial, humanistic, and nursing knowledge.

ENFE-4186. TRENDS IN GERONTOLOGY AND GERIATRICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4139, ENFE-4140, ENFE-4081, ENFE-4082. Corequisite(s): None. The course provides students the opportunity to analyze selected subjects related to the best nursing practice with elderly clients. Students deepen in the knowledge of the aging process in the four adaptive modes through the discussion of the following subjects: selected theories of the old age, local and federal legislations aimed at this population, findings of recent researches in geriatrics and gerontology areas, and the role of complementary and alternative medicine on the elderly’s health.

ENFE-4196. NURSING PROCESS IN THE ADAPTATION OF FAMILIES AND GROUPS IN THE COMMUNITY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4139, ENFE-4140, ENFE-4145, ENFE-4146, SOCI-3245. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4197. In this course, students deepen on the nursing principles and perspectives of the community. Studies the basic concepts of epidemiology emphasizing the importance of these on the nursing practice for the health of the community. Analyzes the different types of assessments to be made within the community in order to identify necessities of groups, aggregates, and vulnerable populations at risk within the community. The course gives emphasis to the promotion and maintenance of individuals, families and groups adaptation in the community considering the different factors that influence the adaptation level. The study of the individual, the family, and the group in the community is made using the nursing process as presented by Callista Roy. The student is guided to visualize the family as a unit in the community and the individual as a member of the family group. The learning activities emphasize critical thinking to the attention of families and groups in order to identify and select available resources in the community that help to stimulate adaptation.

ENFE-4197. LABORATORY OF NURSING PROCESS IN THE ADAPTATION OF FAMILIES AND GROUPS IN THE COMMUNITY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 9. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4139, ENFE-4140, ENFE-4145, ENFE-4146, SOCI-3245. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4196. This course emphasizes and deepens the roles and functions performed by the nurse on different scenarios within the community. The student will visit several community scenarios like: schools, work scenarios, home health programs, jails, programs for teenage mothers and pregnant women, among others, with the purpose of knowing the roles and responsibilities of the community nurse on each scenario. An assessment is made of a selected community. The community’s profile is developed, and the nursing process continues to be applied with the community. The student discusses the different governmental and non-governmental agencies that serve as support to individuals, families, and groups of the community. The student works with leaders and with interdisciplinary personnel to promote and maintain adaptation of individuals, families, and groups of the community.

ENFE-4295. NURSING SEMINAR IN ADAPTATION. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4196, ENFE-4197. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4296, ENFE-4297. This course examines legal aspects related to the nursing profession. Also, examines controversies and tendencies of impact for education and practice of the nursing profession. Similarly, discusses the importance of professional organizations for practice and nursing education. Prepares students for the transition towards the job market.

ENFE-4296. ADAPTATION TO THE PROFESSIONAL ROLE. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4196, ENFE-4197. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4297, ENFE-4295. This course emphasizes the role of nursing as a leader of care. The student studies and examines theories of leadership, administration, planned change, and decision-making as essential tools of leadership in nursing. Also, it is studied the practice based on evidence, continuous improvement of quality, and legal and regulatory aspects of practice as essential part of the role as a generalist nurse.

ENFE-4297. LABORATORY OF ADAPTATION TO THE PROFESSIONAL ROLE. Credits: 5. Lecture hours per week: 15. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4196, ENFE-4197. Corequisite(s): ENFE-4296, ENFE-4295. In this course the student develops to a maximum the adaptation level for the execution of his/her role as a generalist nurse in the clinical scenario. Trains the student to apply leadership, administration, and decision-making concepts in the care of groups of clients. The student applies
principles of research, problem-solving method, and planned change to a nursing situation affecting adaptation of groups of clients on the assigned scenario. Also, participates in epidemiology activities in the clinical scenario.

ENFE-4505. PHARMACOLOGY APPLIED TO NURSING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ENFE-4035, ENFE-4036, ENFE-4091, ENFE-4092, MATE-3071, QUIM-3162, QUIM-3161. Corequisite(s): None. This course will offer the student a comprehensive and deep knowledge in aspects related to clinical pharmacology. Will provide the essential tools to perform with accuracy, precision, and great judgment drug administration task. Discusses aspects related to pharmacology science and its different branches, such as pharmacokinetic, pharmacodynamics, pharmacognosy, pharmacotherapy, and toxicology of the different drugs. Also, includes ethical-legal and moral aspects related to drug therapy. Will emphasize on the different classifications of drugs, how these acts on the different body systems, and the interaction and compatibility of the drugs on patients with complex clinical conditions.

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Mission
The mission of the Associate Degree in Physical Therapy is to prepare Physical Therapist Assistants who possess clinical skills, so that they can perform functions competently in light of the challenges offered by the health services system. Using a comprehensive curriculum, different clinical experiences, and the modeling of the academic and clinical faculty professionals, the program capacitate students to obtain and maintain the highest credentials that will allow to practice in Puerto Rico and internationally, in an ethical, legal, and safe way.
The program stimulates students to apply professional values and practice standards in a way that they can see the human being as a whole and demonstrate sensibility to the needs and cultural diversity of the patients/clients, their work team, and the community.
Promote leadership and learning through life with different educational activities, using the curriculum, clinical practices and the participation of different students and professional organizations.

Vision
- Prepare Physical Therapist Assistants with a high level of academic excellence. Have a competent faculty, highly prepared in their clinical respective areas with the necessary skills to provide all those educational experiences required to achieve excellence.
- Have a forefront curriculum, which integrates theoretical and practical knowledge related to technological advances.
- Achieve effectiveness on clinical practices as a mechanism of integration of the acquired knowledge and skills. That students exercise, in their clinical practices, the intervention procedures on physical therapy with a high level of ability and mastering of skills.
- Have the administrative support to obtain the necessary resources to achieve the mission and the established goals.
- Manage new situations using effective communication, critical judgment and a spirit of innovation and creativity.
- That the student, once graduated from the Program, when performing as a Physiotherapy Assistant, will demonstrate to have the necessary abilities conforming to his/her professional competencies. That will fulfill his/her role and accept full responsibility, maintaining the highest practice standards of physical therapy. That will show loyalty and interest in the growth and development of physiotherapy.
- That the Physiotherapy Assistant will apply the care plan to the patient/client considering particular necessities.
- That the Physiotherapist Assistant will possess a holistic view of the human being, showing sensibility for the suffering and for moral and professional values which will allow to work, respecting the dignity of the person being intervene.

Philosophy
Provide our students with the opportunity to develop knowledge and the most advanced clinical skills to they can become competent physical therapy service providers in Puerto Rico and internationally.
Give our students a formation on which it is emphasize the development of sensibility towards the human being as an integral entity, with physical, emotional, social and economic needs; using their own knowledge and where it is stimulated the maximum use of their personal and professional capacities, that recognize their role as agents of change in the health field in tune with social, economic, political and cultural reality and in accordance with the lifestyle of Puerto Ricans and of other cultures.
It is our firm conviction that, once our educational mission is accomplished, we will have significantly contributed to incapacity prevention and to maintenance, improvement, and rehabilitation of our people’s health.

Goals
1. Prepare physical therapy assistants with the most advanced knowledge, skills, and activities in the field of physical therapy.
2. Prepare physical therapy assistants compromised to offer physical therapy services of the highest quality, in an ethical, legal, and safe way.
3. Develop in the student the interest in learning over the course of life.
4. Maintain the program accreditation status, guaranteed by the institutional accreditations.
5. Maintain the academic and clinical faculty up to date with contemporary practices.

Objectives
1. Promote the Associate Degree Program in Physical Therapy (GATF, by its Spanish acronym) to draw the suitable candidates.
2. Admit those students that comply with the requisites established by the Program.
3. Have an actualized curriculum, as established by accreditation agencies of the UPRH and of the Program.
4. Develop in students the most advanced knowledge, skills, and attitudes on physical therapy to perform as Physiotherapy Assistants.
5. Maintain students oriented on the Program components, available services in the Program and in the UPRH.
6. That students complete the requisites for the Associate Degree in Physical Therapy at the time stipulated.
7. Maintain student’s retention index on a 90-95%.
8. Develop on students of the Program the General Education competencies, as approved by the Academic Senate.
9. Prepare students to, once graduated from the GATF, approve the bar examination offered by the Physical Therapy Examining Board of Puerto Rico.
10. When completing the degree, execute his/her role as an ATF on different scenarios of clinical practice in an ethical, legal and safe way.
11. Execute as an ATF following the applicable local and federal regulations.
12. Execute as an ATF following the profession practice standards related to cultural diversity, showing understanding and sensibility to it.
13. Promote participation of the Program’s graduates on educational activities organized by the Program’s Continuing Education Coordinator.
14. Promote participation of students and graduates on different student and professional organizations.
15. Maintain an academic faculty with updated competencies.
16. Maintain a clinical faculty updated in the knowledge, skills and attitudes that enable them to exercise their job as clinical instructors.
17. Have the necessary equipment and materials for the core courses.
18. Comply with the Program’s accreditation standards and with other requisites of the Accreditation Agency.

**Physical Therapy Graduate’s Profile**

1. Will obtain and maintain the professional credentials that authorize him/her to perform as a Physical Therapist Assistant or Physiotherapist (ATF, for its Spanish acronym).
2. Will work under the direction and supervision of a physical therapist (TF, for its Spanish acronym) or physiotherapist.
3. Will carry out data collection related to tests and measures, and will apply those interventions, inherent to his/her competencies, as selected by the physiotherapist.
4. Will carry out his/her role as ATF in an ethical, legal and safe manner, showing effectiveness and assertiveness in his/her performance and maintaining the practice high standards of the physiotherapy profession.
5. Will execute following the standards established on the profession’s code of ethics (“American Physical Therapy Association, APTA”, Physiotherapy Puerto Rico Association), including his/her ability to clarify the professional values and differentiate them from the personal and social values.
6. Will show a conduct that reflects his/her commitment with the expectations of the members of the physical therapy profession and with those who benefit from his/her services as a Physiotherapy Assistant.
7. Will understand the care plan content, as designed by the physiotherapist, to achieve the short- and long-term goals and the expected results.
8. Will use a verbal and non-verbal communication that will be assertive, effective, appropriate, and proficient with the patient/client, the physiotherapist, other members of the health team, and with the community in general.
9. Will read and interpret professional literature related to physical therapy and with health in general, as an important element in stimulating his/her learning throughout life.
10. Will document in a precise, clear, and concise way and on time, on the clinical record and on other documents related to physical therapy services provision, following the guides and formats required by law regulations and practice scenarios.
11. Will participate in the process of writing discharges and follow-up plans to patients/clients, as specified by the physiotherapist.
12. Will participate in activities aimed at the quality control of physical therapy services and of health in general.
13. Will demonstrate comprehension and sensibility to factors that intervene in the effectiveness of the physical therapy services offered to patients/clients, consumers and to the community in general. These factors include social, cultural, ethical, legal and economic aspects, among others.
14. Will apply skills of independent, critical, and reflexive thinking when solving problems, dealing with emergency situations, and in the planning and organization of the physical therapy services.
15. Will work as an integrated member of the health team, on which he/she will instruct and educate other members of the team, patients/clients, consumers, and the community in general, using those techniques, programs, materials, and activities distinctive of the audience’s learning characteristics and styles, under the leadership and supervision of a Physical Therapist or Physiotherapist.
16. Will educate others about the Physical Therapist or Physiotherapist Assistant role, including the ATF role on the ATF student’s clinical learning.
17. Will show skills in leadership and social awareness, supporting and participating in organizations related to the discipline and in other organizations of community service.
18. Will show commitment to fulfill the necessities of the patients/clients, consumers and of the community, of the physical therapy services.
The Program of **Associate Degree in Physical Therapy** is an academic program of the health sciences area that prepares students to work as physical therapist assistants (ATF). Through a comprehensive curriculum, which includes three clinical practices, the Program provides the theoretical knowledge and the necessary clinical skills to prepare a competent professional. The Program prepares students to obtain and maintain the professional credentials through the bar examination and the continuing education, in accordance with Puerto Rico and federal regulations, so they can practice as physical therapist assistants in Puerto Rico and around the world.

The Program contributes to the development of the ATF, who provides physical therapy services, supervised by a physical therapist (TF). The ATF assists the TF with the data collection, implements selected interventions within the health plan, established by the physical therapist, participates in the discharge planning and documents the services provided, shows sensibility to the individual differences and to cultural diversity, is sensitive to physical, emotional and social needs of the patients/clients that receive physical therapy services, recognizes the scope of his/her competencies, makes decisions and collaborates on the solution of problems using critical thinking.

The Program promotes learning, during life, through several educational activities in order to prepare future profession leaders committed with the physical therapy practice standards, including their social responsibility. The graduate provides physical therapy services on different work scenarios, such as hospitals, rehabilitation centers, sports medicine, private offices, and home health center services, among others. Several professional organizations and the physical therapy students’ association promote membership and the student’s active participation.

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN PHYSICAL THERAPY**

**Curricular Sequence**

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**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**TEFI-1005. INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL THERAPY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1006, TEFI-1028. In this course students will relate with different physical therapy subjects, such as: the physical therapy definition as established by the American Physical Therapy Association, its historical development, philosophy, scope, and its contribution to the health field. Also, studies the legal dispositions and the physical therapy
profession practice standards. Students will comprehend the physical therapy personnel competences, the professional conduct and ethical behavior, professional organizations of physical therapy, as well as the communication basic principles, the interpersonal relations, and the collaborative and teamwork. Includes the basic principles for organization and administration of a physical therapy department, and about the organization of the Puerto Rico’s Health System, among others, as well as the available resources in the community. The student will be familiarized with different aspects of the documentation concerning physical therapy services, considering the medical-legal aspects, the patient/client’s condition and the documents used for billing and payments for services on different work scenarios. He/She will apply the Physical Therapy Documentation Guide., as established by the American Association of Physical Therapy. The student will recognize his/her role as a physical therapist assistant who works under the supervision and guidance of the physical therapist.

**TEFI-1006. PHYSICAL AGENTS AND ELECTROTHERAPY.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1005, TEFI-1007, TEFI-1028, BIOL-1011. The course includes conferences, demonstrations and practice of the different physical agents and procedures of electrotherapy. Gives emphasis on the knowledge and skills development in the application of different physical agents and electrotherapy as part of the procedures on physical therapy intervention. The use of water, radiant energy, electrical power, cold, heat, and ultrasound as therapeutic tools are discussed, demonstrated, and practiced.

**TEFI-1007. LABORATORY OF PHYSICAL AGENTS AND ELECTROTHERAPY.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1006. This laboratory includes the development of the skills from the course TEFI-1006.

**TEFI-1008. THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-1005, BIOL-1011. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1009, TEFI-1025, BIOL-1013. The course includes conferences, demonstrations, and practices of different therapeutic massage techniques, arch of passive movement, and facial exercises. Gives emphasis on the knowledge of the effects, indications, counter-indications, and precautions of the therapeutic massage. The historical evolution of clinical massage is also studied. Develop kills in the application of different therapeutic massage techniques used for the back, extremities, and face for the most common clinical conditions treated in physical therapy.

**TEFI-1009. LABORATORY OF THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE.** Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1011. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1008. This laboratory includes the development of the skills from the course TEFI-1008.

**TEFI-1015. INTRODUCTION TO CLINICAL PRACTICE.** Credits: 1. Practice hours per semester: 120. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-1005, TEFI-1006, TEFI-1028, BIOL-1011. Corequisite(s): None. This is the first supervised clinical experience on which the student will assist, during the semester, to a duly accredited institution that provides physical therapy services. The student will observe the application of different physical therapy procedures on patients/clients. Will also observe the roles and functions of the health-care team members, the organization, and the functioning of the physical therapy department, in particular the tasks of the physical therapist and physical therapy assistant, and the clinical center in general. After the observation and orientation period, the student will be able to demonstrate, through his/her execution, the knowledge and skills learned in class. These includes: competencies, roles, and functions of the physical therapist assistant, ethical behavior standards, professional values, the interaction with the physical therapist and other health-care service providers, communication principles, and documentation. Using the standard precautions and an appropriate body mechanics, the student will apply the physical therapy intervention procedures learned: physical agents and electrotherapy, therapy of compression and wound healing, as well as some skills of data collection, such as sensation, vital signs, pain valuation, and others.

**TEFI-1025. FUNCTIONAL ANATOMY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1011. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1026, TEFI-1008, BIOL-1013. The course includes conferences, demonstrations, and practice of movements of the human body joints, identification and palpation of bone prints and body lumps. Covers the history, study methods and the application of kinesiology. Includes the study of the skeletal system, anatomy and muscle physiology, principles of body mechanics, brachial and lumbosacral plexus, the structure and functions of human body joints, structure and physiology of the muscle, its location, proximal and distal joints, nerve supply, functions, muscular and posture tone, and muscular contraction.

**TEFI-1026. LABORATORY OF FUNCTIONAL ANATOMY.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1011. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1025. This laboratory includes the development of the skills studied on the course TEFI-1025.

**TEFI-1027. INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL DYSFUNCTION.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1013, TEFI-1025. Corequisite(s): None. The course includes the study of general concepts of health and illness, processes of cell/tissue repair, defense mechanisms of the body, and exams and diagnosis procedures. Includes the discussion of human growth and development with emphasis on the tasks, characteristics, associated risks, and prevention mechanisms through the stages of the human life’s cycle. Includes conferences, and discussion about the definition, etiology, pathogenesis, principal clinical manifestations, general principles of treatment, complications and problems associated to human being diseases in the following systems: nervous, cardiovascular, musculoskeletal, endocrine, and respiratory, and sexually transmitted diseases. Also includes a revision of structure and general function of the systems and medical
terminology related to those diseases/disorders/conditions studied in class.

TEFI-1028. BASIC INTERVENTION PROCEDURES IN PHYSIOTHERAPY. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): TEFI-1005, TEFI-1006, BIOL-1011. This is a course of laboratory theory and practice that teaches the basic intervention procedures in Physical therapy used in the clinical scenario to promote and restore health and well-being of the patient/client. The techniques for infections control and procedures for wounds healing, and treatment of ulcers are taught, as well as limb and head bandage application and the application of external compression equipment. Includes the study of medical terminology and the development of skills for measuring and documenting the vital signs of the patient/client. Also, the development of skills for preparing the treatment area, positioning and movement of bed patients/clients applying the basic principles of adequate body mechanics, safety, and guarding measures. Principles of first aids are taught, including obtaining the certification for the use of cardiopulmonary resuscitation techniques. The skills included in this course are obtained through conferences, demonstrations, laboratory practices and field trips.

TEFI-2007. FUNCTIONAL ACTIVITIES. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-2015, TEFI-1027. Corequisite(s): TEFI-2008. The course includes the study of several daily functional activities through conferences, discussions, field trips, demonstrations, and the practice of each activity. Also studies the normal pattern of ambulation and its deviations. Includes the study of the components, the application and setting of assistive equipment and the training in the use of wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, walking sticks, orthoses, and prostheses, among others. The course integrates activities practice in the movement in bed and different techniques of transfers. Practice of several guarding techniques, safety measures, adequate body mechanics, and instructional methods to carry out functional activities considering indications and precautions for the application. The course also integrates demonstration and practice of the exercises used to increase balance, coordination, and muscular strength, focusing on the muscular groups required to execute functional activities, according to the patient/client’s condition. Through the study of the regulations established by the ADA Law and other regulations, the physical environment accessibility is assessed.

TEFI-2008. LABORATORY OF FUNCTIONAL ACTIVITIES. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-2015, TEFI-1027. Corequisite(s): TEFI-2007. This laboratory includes the development of the skills learned in the course TEFI-2007.

TEFI-2009. PHYSICAL THERAPY APPLICATION TO PHYSICAL DYSFUNCTION. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-1027, TEFI-2015. Corequisite(s): TEFI-2019, TEFI-2007. Conferences, demonstrations, laboratory practices, and field trips to several physical therapy clinical centers to observe physical therapy interventions with patients/clients who have different medical conditions, especially those related to the nervous, cardiovascular, respiratory, and musculoskeletal systems. The students learn the basic elements of sensory-motor development and the deviations of it.

TEFI-2010. PSYCHOSOCIAL ASPECTS OF CLINICAL PRACTICE IN PHYSICAL THERAPY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CISO-3121, CISO-3122, PSIC-3005, TEFI-1015. Corequisite(s): None. The course is aimed at the study of the most relevant psychosocial aspects which are part of the interaction process between the physical therapist, the physical therapist assistant and the patients/clients who use the physical therapy services, as well as to the team work on the clinical scenarios, family, and community in general. The health concept is discussed as established by the World Health Organization (WHO). The dimensions included in this definition are discussed: physical, mental, and social, virtues and limitations. Also includes the spiritual dimension as part of the health integral concept. Analyzes mental health and the mental conditions considering the development process of the human being’s personality. Includes those development theories that have emphasis in the physical therapy clinical practice. The social and cultural factors are included as important elements in the interpretation/meaning of mental health/disease, as well as the most appropriate intervention methods with patients/clients that have symptoms and whose physical problems alter their emotional state. Includes the general description of those major and minor development disorders, as established by the DSM-V, pertinent to the physical therapy practice, emphasizing on the most observed in physical therapy. The knowledge learned throughout the course is applied in the analysis of those typical conditions on physical therapy scenarios. The physical therapist assistant’s role is analyzed in his/her intervention with patients/clients, family, work team, and with the community.

TEFI-2011. CLINICAL EXPERIENCE I. Credits: 2. Practice hours per summer: 200. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-1008, TEFI-1015, TEFI-1025, BIOL-1013. Corequisite(s): None. This is a supervised clinical experience on which the student will assist a duly accredited institution that provides physical therapy services. The student will observe the application of different physical therapy intervention processes and patients’/clients’ data collection. The student also will observe the roles and functions of members of the health care team, in addition to the organization and functioning of the physical therapy department and of the clinical center. After this observation and orientation period, the student will be able to apply physical agents, electrotherapy, therapy of compression, wound healing treatment, therapeutic massage, and documentation. He/She will collect data, such as pain valuation, vital signs, and sensation. Through these actions, the student will demonstrate knowledge and skills in human anatomy and physiology and in functional anatomy.

TEFI-2012. CLINICAL EXPERIENCE II. Credits: 2. Practice hours per summer: 200. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-2011, TEFI-2009, TEFI-2010, TEFI-2007. Corequisites(s): None. This is a supervised
clinical experience on which the student will assist daily to a duly accredited institution that provides general or specialized services on physical therapy, such as: geriatrics, pediatrics, or rehabilitation, among others. The student will apply the procedures of intervention and data collection learned in the curriculum of the associate degree in physical therapy. After the orientation and observation procedures, the student will apply physical agents and electrotherapy, therapy of compression and mechanics, therapeutic massage, therapeutic exercises, functional activities, as learned in the curriculum. The student will collect data of vital signs, assess the arch of movement, test manual muscular strength, among others. Through these actions, the student will demonstrate knowledge and skills in human anatomy and physiology, functional anatomy, documentation, planning and organization, ethical, legal, and safe practice, professional values, effective communication and interpersonal relations, teamwork-health care, implementation of selected components of the care plan, and data collection as established by the physical therapist. Also, the student will demonstrate understanding of the patient/client as an integral human being.

**TEFI-2015. THERAPEUTIC EXERCISES.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-1025, TEFI-1008, TEFI-1015, BIOL-1013, TEFI-2011. Corequisite(s): TEFI-2018. The course includes conferences, demonstrations and practices concerning exercise as therapeutic method. Includes basic assessments of tests and measures that the physical therapist assistant can perform to collect data of the arch of movement, muscular movement, anthropometric measures, posture alignment, and the exercise load that a patient/client can carry out in a resistive exercise program. Several types of therapeutic exercises are taught, as well as their effects, indications, counter-indications, precautions, and the use of some specialized equipment in their application. Discusses the role of the physical therapist assistant in the assessment and implementation of the selected exercise program, design by the physical therapist. Includes several hypothetical situations to stimulate the student’s critical thinking, skills of problem solving and data collection.

**TEFI-2018. LABORATORY OF THERAPEUTIC EXERCISES.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-1025, TEFI-1008, TEFI-1015, TEFI-2011, BIOL-1013. Corequisite(s): TEFI-2015. This laboratory includes the development of the skills learned in the course TEFI-2015.

**TEFI-2019. LABORATORY OF PHYSICAL THERAPY APPLICATION TO PHYSICAL DYSFUNCTION.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEFI-2015, TEFI-1027. Corequisite(s): TEFI-2007, TEFI-2009. This laboratory includes the development of skills learned in the course TEFI-2009.

**FACULTY**

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MARTINEZ OTERO, RAMÓN L. Assistant Professor, PTA, 1998, University of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico; BSPT, 2002, University of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico; DPT, 2006, Boston University, United States.

SILVA COLLAZO, ENIEDA. Full Professor, BSPT, 1978, University of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico; MPH, 1988, University of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico. DPT, 2015, University of Montana, United States.

**NOTE:** The Program also has an AdHonorem clinical faculty that will supervise students during the clinical practices.
Occupational Therapy is a health profession that is part of an multi and interdisciplinary team, whose principal function is to contribute on the individual’s physical, mental, and social rehabilitation. The Occupational Therapy professional provides services to those individuals affected when performing their occupation (daily life activities) and in their life roles because of a physical dysfunction or injury, problems on the development process or in the aging process or suffering psychological or social problems.

The Occupational Therapy (OT) professional provides intervention programs centered on the individual and in a holistic way, aimed at promoting, maintaining, and restoring health, well-being, and the participation in life through meaningful and valued occupations by the individual, according to the Framework for the Occupational Therapy Practice.

Mission
The Associate Degree Program in Occupational Therapy empowers students with the basic skills as practitioners of direct service, educators, and defenders of the profession and of the consumer. Students will develop and apply the required competencies on their first level of entry at the profession. They will support daily activities that affect health, wellness, and quality life in Puerto Rico’s society.

The educational process enables students to acquire the knowledge, skills and professional conduct required to become a competent, ethical professional, and a lifelong learner. Students are exposed to a comprehensive education through a continuous search of educational and technological experiences that promote critical/clinical thinking, creativity, problem-solving, and inquiry skills. This allows students to recognize their strengths and areas of improvement, as well as their personal and professional impact on the society.

We reach our mission through an up to date, pertinent and innovative academic offering, attuned with the latest tendencies in the professional and educational fields, using different technological tools to guarantee compliance with laws of confidentiality, of access to people with disabilities, and the community in general.

Vision
The Program of Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy, through the continuous assessment and programmatic evaluation, offers a curriculum of studies consistent with the latest educational tendencies, accreditation standards, and provision of services of Occupational Therapy in Puerto Rico. The Program reaffirms the human, social and spiritual values, and the ethical values of the Occupational Therapy profession.

We visualize the formation of professionals with an Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy committed to the promotion of health, social welfare, and community service of the Puerto Rican society. The Program has a faculty dedicated to the teaching, research, and service to human beings on a variety of models and rendering services systems. Maintaining an academic offer of excellence, consistent with the new technological advances, the program affirms a sustained development of the employment demand in the discipline of Occupational Therapy and develop professionals committed with their occupation and with the skills of solving health and social problems in Puerto Rico.

The development of multicompetences that facilitate interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary teamwork will be encouraged. Therefore, the curriculum content of the areas of need in the interventions and research related to the clinical and educational preparation of students and the emerging practices in the profession that lead to the integration of technological advances and engagement of the community, will be reinforced so that the Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy remains at the forefront.

Basic Competencies of the Occupational Therapy Assistant
Students who obtain an Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy will be able to:

1. Demonstrate clinical, critical, and creative skills in the Occupational Therapy process.
2. Participate in the administration of screenings/evaluations, specifics of the Occupational Therapy rendering of services.
3. Collaborate in the design and implementation of an intervention plan focused on the client and on the occupation.
4. Promote the commitment to the profession to facilitate engagement in different contexts and environments.
5. Perform decision-making based on evidence and with relevant information for the Occupational Therapy intervention.
6. Analyze, grade, and adapt occupations/activities to facilitate the client’s performance.
7. Use security/precaution measures in the Occupational Therapy practice.
8. Collaborate in the design, implementation, and development of the Occupational Therapy services in different contexts and populations.
9. Offer education and consultancy in Occupational Therapy to service consumers, their families, the intervention group members and to organizations.
10. Recognize the necessity of continuous learning and professional growth to obtain knowledge and skills.
11. Develop documentation skills that comply with the reimbursement requirements.
12. Develop basic computer literacy skills and apply the technology to the Occupational Therapy process.
13. Demonstrate written, verbal, and non-verbal communication skills.
14. Apply supervising and management skills to improve efficiency and efficacy on the Occupational Therapy services.
15. Comply with ethics, values, and attitudes of the Occupational Therapy profession.
16. Recognize the necessity to collaborate, cooperate and work under the supervision of a registered and licensed Occupational Therapist.
17. Properly work in traditional and non-traditional environments.
18. Value diversity and multicultural aspects.
19. Comply with regulations and requirements of the Occupational Therapy professional license.
20. Demonstrate commitment with health/wellbeing promotion in the Occupational Therapy intervention.
21. Participate in professional organizations and in voluntary/community activities to serve and promote the Occupational Therapy profession.
22. Be an advocate of the Occupational Therapy profession and the consumers.

**Academic Program**
The Department offers study programs leading to the following academic degree: *Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy.*

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY**
The University of Puerto Rico at Humacao offers a two-year study program, including the two summer sessions, leading to an Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy (OT). This prepares the graduate to perform as an Occupational Therapy Assistant in: hospitals, rehabilitation centers, home health agencies, mental health centers, drug addiction centers, alcoholism programs, elderly centers, schools, private offices, and other health services in the community.
The Occupational Therapy Assistant works under the supervision of a licensed Occupational Therapist. His/her principal function is to implement the intervention plan designed according to the necessities of the client/patient. The graduates can take the bar examination administered by the Occupational Therapy Examining Board of Puerto Rico (OTEBPR). Once the student approves the test, obtains a license as an Occupational Therapy Assistant. If the student has been convicted of a felony, his/her eligibility to take the bar examination of the OTEBPR could be affected. Therefore, the issuing of his/her professional license will be subject to the decision of this organism.
The clinical practices are carried out on different community and rehabilitation centers, hospitals, schools, and correctional systems across the island. It will be required that students complete their clinical practices in accordance with the proposed curriculum. To carry out this practice experiences, the student must comply with the requirements established by the Puerto Rico Health Department. For this reason, it is demanded to have the chickenpox vaccine, the first two-doses of Hepatitis-B vaccine, and the COVID-19 vaccine when enrolling.

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The clinical practices will be completed as established in the academic program.

### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**TEOC-1005. THEORETICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDAMENTS IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course includes the definition, historical and philosophical development, scope, and contribution of Occupational Therapy to the health field. Also includes local regulations of the Occupational Therapy practice and the health reform. The functions of the Occupational Therapy personnel, professional code of ethics, organization and administration principles applied in Occupational Therapy, documentation, and professional organizations are presented and discussed. Includes general information of the modalities in the intervention process used in Occupational Therapy, as the Occupational Therapy Framework: Dominium and Process.

**TEOC-1017. INTRODUCTION TO UNIVERSITY LIFE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course of *Introduction to University Life in Occupational Therapy* is based on community learning concepts. Integrates courses such as: Theoretical and Administrative Fundaments in Occupational Therapy, Mental Health, and Integration to University Life Workshops, with the purpose of developing essential skills for a successful university life and to be future professionals in the Occupational Therapy field. Among the subjects related to the profession, are included: Occupational Therapy Framework: Dominium and Process, analysis of activity and medical terminology. Covers topics of university life integration as available services in the Institution and in the Occupational Therapy Department, general concepts about computer literacy, search of information, teamwork, and oral and written reports presentation, among others.

**TEOC-1041. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IN MENTAL HEALTH I: INTRODUCTION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course of *Occupational Therapy in Mental Health I: Introduction* is one of introductory characters where the student will be exposed to the history and development of the Mental Health area, and as Occupational Therapy, contributes to that evolution. Also, students are exposed to the theoretical and conceptual frameworks that justify the services provision of Occupational Therapy in Mental Health. The individual’s normal and dysfunctional mental health development is studied from the social, cultural, economic, familiar, environmental perspective, and other perspectives related. Aspects of health promotion and mental disorders prevention are discussed in the healthcare continuum point of view.

**TEOC-1042. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IN MENTAL HEALTH II: APPLICATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-1041. Corequisite(s): None. The course of *Occupational Therapy in Mental Health II: Application* studies and practices all aspects concerning the Occupational Therapy intervention processes in Mental Health. It emphasizes the importance of communication, therapeutic relations, and the handling of groups with mental disorders in Occupational Therapy. Also, discusses aspects of pharmacotherapy and the
use of alternative/complementary medication methods in Occupational Therapy. Critical/clinical thinking skills are stimulated through exploration, conceptualization, and application of activities (model ECA, by its Spanish acronym) with the purpose of easing therapeutic process practice exposed in the course.

**TEOC-1105. INTRODUCTION TO PRACTICE EXPERIENCE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (LEVEL I).** Credits: 2. Practice hours per week: 8. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-1005, TEOC-1121. Corequisite(s): None. The course *Introduction to Practice in Occupational Therapy (Level I)* exposes students to their first practice experience in a real therapeutic environment. Develops a trust and knowledge level of the consumers’ necessities of the Occupational Therapy services. It is a 15-week experience where the student is exposed to observation of the Occupational Therapy intervention processes on different environments of services provision in Puerto Rico. This practice is divided in two phases: phase I and phase II. On the first phase the student and professor in charge of the course will visit five different institutions offering Occupational Therapy services. By this, the student will have a clearer and ample vision of the different work environments, whether traditional or non-traditional environments where the Occupational Therapy service is offered. On the second phase, each student will be assigned to a practice scenario to directly observe and participate on different aspects of the Occupational Therapy processes.

**TEOC-1109. PRACTICE EXPERIENCE ON MENTAL HEALTH.** Credits: 2. Practice hours per summer: 320. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-1042, TEOC-1105. Corequisite(s): None. This is a supervised clinical practice of level II in Mental Health. The student is assigned to a practice center for an eight-week period on which he/she will have the opportunity to develop skills in the application of intervention processes used on the Occupational Therapy Mental Health area. The student will apply organization and administration concepts relevant for an Occupational Therapy Assistant. It is promoted the clinical reasoning appropriate to the role of the Occupational Therapy Assistant, framed in the roles, values and principles that facilitate the ethical conduct, professionalism, and the development of basic competencies in order to offer services. The design of experience and the execution of the student will be enclosed in the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework: Dominium and Process, and in the objectives of this clinical experience.

**TEOC-1121. THERAPEUTIC MEANS I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course emphasizes the therapeutic value and the unique nature of the occupation using manual arts. The students will construct a pre-cut project and six handicrafts. Will perform a therapeutic analysis of each one. The course emphasizes on several profession basic principles, such as: the significance of the occupation and activity with purpose. Includes the interaction among the execution on the areas of occupation, performance skills, context, activity demands, and client factors through the occupation/activity analysis. This course also presents therapeutic adaptations of the environment, tools, materials and equipment, and recycling. Discusses topics of security, equipment maintenance, precautions, and the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework: Competency and Process Area, AOTA 2002. Includes laboratory conferences, demonstrations, and experiences. Each section of the course is limited to a maximum of 15 students.

**TEOC-1122. THERAPEUTIC MEANS II.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-1121. Corequisite(s): None. The course emphasizes on aspects related to the execution on the occupation area and on the analysis of activities with therapeutic purpose. Also, emphasizes on security rules and precaution, measures system, manual and electrical tools, administrative processes, projects in wood and tissue, and promotion activity of the profession. Fundamental elements are studied in the intervention therapeutic process and its relationship with the Occupational Therapy profession.

**TEOC-2101. PHYSICAL HEALTH I: KINESIOLOGY APPLIED TO OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1011, BIOL-1012. Corequisite(s): None. This course includes readings, demonstration and practice of the human body movements, study of joints on which these movements occur, responsible muscles for these actions, and the innervation of these muscles. Also, includes principles of muscular physiology and muscle contraction, as well as body mechanics concepts and functional anatomy concepts applied to functional activities. Will demonstrate the basic principles of joints protection, simplification of tasks, body mechanics, safety procedures, and energy saving techniques. Also, will provide basic knowledge of the procedures’ objectives to measure movement arch and muscular strength. Emphasis will be given to the development of orthotic equipment construction skills. Will include basic concepts about assistive equipment, such as: braces, crutches, and other ambulation equipment. This course will carry out a field visit as part of the clinical practice experience (Level I) in the area of Physical Health to expose students to different medical conditions and evaluation and intervention processes on Occupational Therapy.

**TEOC-2102. PHYSICAL HEALTH II: HEALTH CONCEPTS IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-2101, BIOL-1013, BIOL-1014. Corequisite(s): None. The course includes general concepts of disease prevention and health maintenance through the life cycle, as well as public health basic concepts. Includes conferences and discussion over etiology, pathogenesis, symptomatology, and general medical treatment principles of physical conditions, in particular those related with nerve, musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, and respiratory systems, and with the aging processes. Also, includes Occupational Therapy basic intervention processes in Physical Health. Students will complete an interview module with an individual who has a physical condition to reinforce the Level II clinical practice and to complement intervention processes that will be discussed in
The student will apply organization and administration concepts relevant to the role as an Occupational Therapy Assistant. It is encouraged the clinical reasoning appropriate to the role of the Occupational Therapy Assistant framed in the roles, values, and principles that facilitate the ethical conduct, professionalism, and the basic competencies development to offer services. The design of experience and the execution of the student will be enclosed in the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework: Dominium and Process and in the objectives if this clinical experience.

TEOC-2111. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY INTERVENTION IN PEDIATRICS I. Credits: 3. Lectures hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-2101, BIOL-1013, BIOL-1014. Corequisite(s): None. This course is intended to increase and reinforce the basic knowledge related to the area of Pediatrics, as well as to develop basic competencies for therapeutic intervention. Emphasizes topics related to the legislation that impacts infants, children, adolescents, and family; aspects of the child’s growth and development; intervention process; and documentation. Also, will discuss general concepts related to the family, medical conditions and intervention, and different community and educational clinical environments which provide Occupational Therapy services to this population. Through the models of exploration, conceptualization, and application, it is promoted the critical/clinical thinking skills.

TEOC-2112. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY INTERVENTION IN PEDIATRICS II. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-2111. Corequisite(s): None. The course is intended to increase and reinforce the basic knowledge related to the Pediatrics area through experiences of conferences and laboratories, as well as to develop basic competencies for therapeutic intervention. Emphasizes topics related to reference frame, intervention process, modalities of intervention, and documentation. The course integrates experiences of laboratory with conferences to implement them in the pediatric population. Through the models of exploration, conceptualization, and application (model ECA) it is encouraged the skills development of critical/clinical thinking. In accordance with the course nature and its laboratory experiences, each section is limited to a maximum of 15 students.

TEOC-2115. INTEGRATION SEMINAR IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-2106, TEOC-2102, TEOC-2111. Corequisite(s): None. The course of Integration Seminar in Occupational Therapy offers the opportunity to integrate knowledge, theories, and skills on the areas of Occupational Therapy basic principles and intervention in Mental Health, Physical Health, and Pediatrics. Clinical cases are studied to integrate theory and practice. For this purpose, it is used the learning strategy based on problem (A.B.P., by its Spanish acronym) and the practice based on evidence (P.B.E., by its Spanish acronym) for solving clinical cases on clinical and community context. Also, it is pretended to stimulate the learning aimed at clinical/critical reasoning, the work in collaborative group and in team. The student will
recognize the importance of auto-learning to strengthen his/her professional career.

**TEOC-2116. APPLICATION OF ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.** Credits: 2. Hours per semester: 30. Prerequisite(s): TEOC-2106, TEOC-2102, TEOC-2111. Corequisite(s): None. The course presents the analysis of the theoretical and practical bases of the use of Assistive Technology (AT) on different Occupational Therapy areas of services provided for people with impairments. Emphasis is given to integration of low and high-cost assistive technology on different scenarios, the occupational roles, and the client’s educational and the family environment. Also, discusses the intervention models of services related to the process of evaluation and identification of the clients’ necessities. The course integrates laboratory experiences with conferences for the construction of assistive technology equipment applied to hypothetical cases, among other activities of application. In accordance with the course nature and its laboratory experiences, each section is limited to 15 students.

**FACULTY**


ORTIZ CONCEPCIÓN, MADELINE. *Associate Professor*, OTR/L, 1995; M.Ed, CPL, 2003, Turabo University, Puerto Rico.
NATURAL SCIENCES
History and Objectives

The Bachelor of Sciences with majors in General Biology, Microbiology, Wildlife Management, and Coastal Marine Biology has no parallel in the University of Puerto Rico System. Its design provides the opportunity of adjusting the offerings to the real demand of each specialty and, also, is in tune with the socioeconomic development of the east area and with students’ needs and expectations.

The Bachelor in Sciences, on any of its four Biology fields, will prepare the student to continue graduate studies on different Biology areas and will satisfy the necessities of students interested in pursuing studies on allied health professions and to perform as technicians in the industry.

The Bachelor of Science with major in Coastal Marine Biology is a unique program in Puerto Rico that has as goal to prepare professionals with a solid knowledge on different Biology areas and, in particular, on marine environment; in addition to promote research and the scientific attitude which will help to develop better techniques of conservation, management and use of coastal resources.

Academic Programs

The Department offers a main curriculum on Biology and the option to select among four majors: Microbiology, Wildlife Management, General Biology, and Coastal Marine Biology. Microbiology: The graduate student from the Microbiology program will have a complete main preparation in Biology, along with a specialized capacitacion in Microbiology with emphasis in the development of skills applicable to technology and modern industries.

Wildlife Management: The Wildlife Management program’s graduate will receive a specialized preparation in management and conservation of the earth’s natural systems, with emphasis on Puerto Rico’s flora and fauna.

General Biology: The General Biology component will develop biologists with knowledge on all basic disciplines of Biology, which will allow them to continue studies in sciences, allied health professions, or perform in technical jobs on governmental agencies or private industries.

Coastal Marine Biology: Prepares professionals qualified to develop, improve, and administer programs of marine and coastal resources, whether on government agencies as in private industries. This bachelor program is unique in Puerto Rico.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCES WITH MAJOR IN MICROBIOLOGY

Curricular Sequence

Summary of credits:
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- Genera courses in Sciences: 44 credits
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### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**Biol-1011. Human Anatomy and Physiology I.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-1012. Study of fundamental principles of the human body's anatomy and physiology. Study of the cell’s morphology and physiology and the skeletal, muscular, and nervous systems from a histological, anatomical, and physiological point of view. Course designed for students of the Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy and of the Bachelor in Nursing.

**Biol-1012. Laboratory of Human Anatomy and Physiology I.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-1011. Laboratory practices that complement and supplement the course BIOL-1011. Studies the basic concepts of chemistry, microscopy techniques, cell morphology and physiology, and the systems studied in class. Uses models, movies, and other audiovisual resources to ensure a better understanding of the topics being studied.
BIOI-1013. HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-1011, BIOL-1012. Corequisite(s): BIOL-1014. Study of fundamental principles of the human body's anatomy and physiology, in particular of the digestive, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine, and urogenital systems. Emphasizes the interrelation of all systems in the body's normal functioning coordination. Course designed for students of the Associate Degree in Nursing, Associate Degree in Physical Therapy, Associate Degree in Occupational Therapy, and of the Bachelor in Nursing.

BIOI-1014. LABORATORY OF HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-1013. Laboratory practices that complement and supplement the course BIOL-1013. Studies the anatomy and physiology of the systems discussed in class and their interrelation. Uses models, movies, and other audiovisual resources to ensure a better understanding of the topics being studied.

BIOI-2001. ELEMENTAL MICROBIOLOGY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-2002. Study of the different microorganisms' groups, with emphasis on those who affect humans. Also, studies the structure, function, metabolism, and genetics of microorganisms and the principles of immunology. Course designed for students of the Nursing Associate Degree and Bachelor.

BIOI-2002. LABORATORY OF ELEMENTAL BIOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-2001. Practice techniques of asepsis, disinfection, dyeing, isolation, and culture of microorganisms. It emphasizes the use of bacterial growth control methods. Course designed for students of the Nursing Associate Degree and Bachelor.

BIOI-3010. CELLULAR AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014, BIOL-3305-3306. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3020. Study of the cell's structure and function, with emphasis on molecular aspects. Includes nucleus-cytoplasmatic relations, membranous systems, bioenergetics, and cell's reproduction and motility.

BIOI-3011. GENERAL BIOLOGY I. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3013. Study of fundamental principles of Biology, with emphasis on molecular aspects. Includes chemistry fundamentals, the cell as an essential unit of life, and analyzes aspects of thermodynamics and cellular biochemistry processes as integrated systems. It is oriented towards students of Natural Sciences’ Bachelor.

BIOI-3012. GENERAL BIOLOGY II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011-3013. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3014. Studies the principles of Mendelian and molecular genetics, the genetic control mechanisms, animals' reproductive systems, and the development. This course integrates topics of evolution, ecology, and behavior that complement the general view of organisms as members of the biosphere.

BIOI-3013. LABORATORY OF GENERAL BIOLOGY II. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3011. Laboratory experiences that complement and supplement the course of General Biology I. The laboratory practices are developed under direct supervision of the professor, who oversees guiding the students through introductory conferences that are complemented with the use of audiovisual resources.

BIOI-3014. LABORATORY OF GENERAL BIOLOGY II. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3012. Laboratory experiences that complement and supplement the course of General Biology II. The laboratory practices are developed under the direct supervision of the professor, who oversees guiding the student through introductory conferences that are complemented with the use of audiovisual resources.

BIOI-3019. DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3030. Study of processes and patterns of development on different organisms and its control. It includes a synthesis of the plants and animals' development that covers different levels of molecular, cellular, and organismal development in a balanced way. Also, studies some special aspects of development.

BIOI-3020. LABORATORY OF CELLULAR AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3010. Laboratory practices that complement and supplement the course of Cellular and Molecular Biology. Emphasizes the use of molecular and cellular analysis techniques.

BIOI-3024. INTRODUCTION TO BIOCHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011-3013; BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): None. In this course it will be studied the basic chemical components of living matter, as well as the most important chemical reactions that these components carry out within the biological systems. It will discuss the fundamental principles that will allow the student a global understanding of energy flow and of the metabolism on biological systems. Emphasis will be given on general regulation mechanisms that operate on metabolic paths.

BIOI-3030. LABORATORY OF DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY. Credits: 3. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3019. Studies and experiments related with development processes and patterns in plants and animals. Biochemistry techniques will be introduced, and the learned concepts and methods will be applied to the analysis of situations and problems related to development.

BIOI-3115. GENERAL ECOLOGY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3012-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3116. Study of the interrelation among organisms and their natural environment. Structure and function of ecosystems are
BIOL-3116. LABORATORY OF GENERAL ECOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3115. Laboratory practices that complement the course General Ecology. Practical experiences and field trips that emphasize ecological aspects of common species in Puerto Rico, structure, and composition of tropical terrestrial communities.

BIOL-3117. INTRODUCTION TO OCEANOGRAPHY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3115, BIOL-3116. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3118. Study of geological, physical, chemical, and biological principles, which regulate the oceans and their influence on marine communities. In laboratory practices, the student will get familiarized with modern analysis techniques of the physical and chemical parameters of coastal waters; among others: temperature, currents, transparencies, salinity, and chemical composition.

BIOL-3118. LABORATORY OF INTRODUCTION TO OCEANOGRAPHY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3117. Laboratory practices of the course Introduction to Oceanography. Physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of Puerto Rico’s coastal waters will be measured. The student will get familiarized with modern analysis techniques of the different parameters.

BIOL-3121. COASTAL ECOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3115, BIOL-3116. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3122. Study of coastal ecosystems, with emphasis on tropical ecosystems of Puerto Rico’s coasts. The laboratory practices and field trips focus on the analysis of morphological-taxononical and productivity relations of species that compose these ecosystems.

BIOL-3122. LABORATORY OF COASTAL ECOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3121. Laboratory practices that complement and supplement the course Coastal Ecology. Includes field trips.

BIOL-3231. HUMAN BIOLOGY I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3233. Study of the human being’s biological nature. Fundamental concepts of the human body’s anatomy on its different organization levels and the interrelation among structure and physiology of integumentary, skeletal, muscular, and central nervous systems are studied. Analyzes homeostasis concepts and the mechanisms by which body systems recover and maintain homeostasis. Includes disorders of each body system. The course is designed for students of the Bachelor of Sciences in Biology.

BIOL-3232. HUMAN BIOLOGY II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3231. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3234. Continue to study the system’s anatomy and physiology of the human body. Completes the study of the nervous system and relates it to endocrine, cardiovascular, circulatory, lymphatic, respiratory, digestive, urinary, and reproductive systems. Analyzes homeostatic mechanisms that operate on different situations. Anatomic and physiologic changes are considered during stages of pregnancy, birth, development, growth, and aging. Fundamental principles about the human species evolution are discussed and the interaction of the human species with the environment is considered. Includes disorders of each body system. The course is designed for students of the Bachelor of Sciences in Biology.

BIOL-3233. LABORATORY OF HUMAN BIOLOGY I. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3231. Provides experiences that allow to understand the fundamental concepts of human anatomy and physiology and demonstrate the existing complementarity among structure and function. Exercises allow to develop skills in the use of laboratory equipment, practice of dissections and in the interpretation of obtained results. Includes histology, study of skeleton and joints, dissection of the skeletal muscles in cats, and dissection of brain and spinal cord. The laboratory is designed for students in the Bachelor of Sciences in Biology.

BIOL-3234. LABORATORY OF HUMAN BIOLOGY II. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3232. Provides experiences that allow to understand concepts of human anatomy and physiology of special senses and of endocrine, cardiovascular, respiratory, digestive, urinary, and reproductive systems. Includes histology and the dissection of each system component. The laboratory exercises allow skills development in the use of equipment, results interpretation, and in the demonstration of the existing relation among anatomical traits and physiology in the primates. The laboratory is designed for students of the Bachelor of Sciences in Biology.

BIOL-3305. GENETICS. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3306. Study of the fundamental principles of heritage based on molecular biology concepts, which are: identification, action mechanism, and genetic material transmission. Studies in detail theories of the gene’s physical organization, genetic behavior on individuals and populations, genetic linkage concept, and genetic control of the metabolism and development.

BIOL-3306. LABORATORY OF GENETICS. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3305. Laboratory exercises to complement and supplement topics discussed in the course of Genetics. It emphasizes the handling of techniques used to establish the fundamental principles of heritage that will include classic, population and molecular genetics.

BIOL-3420. ANIMAL ORGANISMAL BIOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3421. Includes the comparative study of invertebrates and vertebrates with emphasis in the taxonomy, anatomy,
Biology

BIOI-3421. LABORATORY OF ANIMAL ORGANISIMAL BIOLOGY. Credits: 2. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3420. Will consist of practical experiences related with different invertebrate and vertebrate groups, with emphasis on species of Puerto Rico.

BIOI-3569. INMUNOLOGY. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): None. Study of several defense mechanisms that the human body has against exogenous and endogenous agents.

BIOI-3705. GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014, BIOL-3305, BIOL-3306. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3707. Study of microorganisms and their activities, with emphasis on bacteria. Includes evolution, classification and identification, reproduction, morphology, physiology, ecology, biochemistry, genetics, and control. It includes applied aspects, such as microbiology of food, soils, water, and basic principles of immunology.

BIOI-3707. LABORATORY OF GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-3705. Laboratory exercises to complement and supplement the course of General Microbiology. Emphasizes the use of basic techniques for the study of microorganisms.

BIOI-3740. BIOMETRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): None. Study of several statistical techniques with application on Biology. Emphasis will be given to descriptive statistics, analysis of regressions and correlations, proofs of parametric and non-parametric hypothesis, and analysis of frequencies and variance. Also, calculators and computers will be used as mechanisms to facilitate and speed up statistical calculations and analysis.

BIOI-3925. INTRODUCTION TO SCIENTIFIC ILLUSTRATION. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Elective course for students interested on learning and developing the basic skills required to create scientific illustrations in the field of biology and to improve skills of detailed observation. Students will learn the skills to create scientific illustrations by pencil drawing, nib drawing, and aquarelle techniques, with emphasis in the importance of scale and proportion of biological specimens. Through the implementation of procedures in the improvement of observation and the experimentation of drawing techniques, the student will be able to create illustrations of high artistic and scientific quality.

BIOI-4013. INTRODUCTION TO ANIMAL BEHAVIOR. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3420, BIOL-3421. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to animal behavior, including aspects of physiology, genetics, adaptation, and evolution. The course integrates other biology branches and, at the same time, encourages the interest for conserving our live natural resources.

BIOI-4021. INTRODUCTION TO ORNITHOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3115, BIOL-3116. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4022. Introduction to the study of marine and terrestrial birds, with emphasis in the birds of Puerto Rico.

BIOI-4022. LABORATORY OF INTRODUCTION TO ORNITHOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4021. Laboratory practices to complement topics discussed in the course of Introduction to Ornithology. Includes field trips.

BIOI-4026. SPECIAL TOPICS IN BIOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): None. The course discusses the basic topics, terminology, available resources, and advanced concepts associated to the course topics. The course will impact our students, in particular those who will pursue specialized areas and research. This course offers to topics on specialized areas that are not offered in a recurring way. This is an elective for students on any of the specialized areas of the Bachelor in Biology (Wildlife Management, General Biology, and Microbiology. Note: There can be other prerequisite courses depending on the topic to be offered.

BIOI-4028. MICROBIAL ECOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3705, BIOL-3707 \( y \) BIOL-3115, BIOL-3116. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4029. The course is aimed at students from the Bachelor Program in Biology with a Major in Applied Microbiology. It will study those biotic and abiotic factors that govern the interrelations among microorganisms and their natural environments. Topics to be discussed in this course include diversity, distribution, and dynamics of the populations. It is discussed also, the structure and physiology of the microorganisms as basis to understand the changes that they generate in their environment and, at the same time, to understand how the environment affects their structure, physiology, and behavior.

BIOI-4029. LABORATORY OF MICROBIAL ECOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4028. The Microbial Ecology laboratory includes practical experiences in microorganism’s sampling and collection, assessment of diversity, density, biomass and metabolic activity of microbial populations, analysis of nutrients, and characterization of the physical habitat. The laboratory experiences also include statistical data analysis and the construction and interpretation of models to describe the ecological niche occupied by certain microbial populations.

BIOI-4046. INTRODUCTION TO MYCOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3705, BIOL-3707. Corequisite: BIOL-4047. The course includes fundamental concepts of Mycology and its impact on daily life. Pretends to stimulate in the student the curiosity and concern of knowing the contribution of fungi to the natural and artificial environments and to human activities. Presents a general
description of the main groups of fungi, their structure, metabolic activities, nutrition, and reproduction. Also, offers a comprehensive overview of fungal communities that can be found in the environment and the problems that they can cause on animals (including humans) and on plants. Presents the controls that can be used to limit growth of undesired fungi.

**Biol-4047. Laboratory of Introduction to Mycology.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol 3705, Biol3707. Corequisite(s): Biol4046. Laboratory practices designed to guide the student in the understanding of Mycology basic principles and acquire the necessary experience to work with fungi. The first session of each laboratory consists of a brief discussion to help clarify the daily experience procedure. The laboratory experiences have been prepared as a Mycology introductory course for students pursuing a Bachelor of Sciences with a Major in Microbiology. These students must have experience working with live cultures and with microorganisms of the environment. The course consists of various laboratory experiences, which include microscopy, isolation techniques of fungi, use of synoptic keys, as well as description and counting of fungi in the environment. It is required a supervised special project where the student will prepare a 10-strain fungi collection isolated from the environment. Students will work on their project during the last weeks of laboratory.

**Biol-4075. Problems in Coastal Development.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3121, Biol-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis and discussion of the usage conflicts that emerge from different demands of use on coastal zones: industrialization, housing, recreation, education, and natural resources. It will discuss alternatives of use, public politics, and government agencies involved in the administration of coastal zones.

**Biol-4076. Seminar of Coastal Topics.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3121, Biol-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Discussion and study of several coastal aspects. Topics to be discussed will vary depending on the problems and demands at a moment. Students will analyze literature related to the coastal zone, present individual seminars and, also will participate on guest speakers’ seminars.

**Biol-4077. Coastal Resources.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3121, Biol-3122. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the different coastal natural resources, with emphasis on ecological, economical, and public politics aspects related with their exploitation.

**Biol-4078. Coastal Geomorphology.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3115, Biol-3116. Corequisite(s): None. Study of physical, geological, and biological processes governing the form and development of the landscape, with special emphasis on the coastal region. It will point out principally the coastal systems of Puerto Rico. Occasional field trips.

**Biol-4125. Seminar on Economic, Social, and Environment Laws.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3115, Biol-3116. Corequisite(s): None. Study of federal and state environmental laws and their implications on social and economic programs and in pollution control. Includes usage and administration of biological marine resources from the legal point of view.

**Biol-4205. Clinical Bacteriology.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3705, Biol-3707. Corequisite(s): None. Studies on the bacteria that cause diseases in humans. Aspects, such as epidemiology, diagnosis of diseases, characteristics of organisms, clinical samples handling, identification of organisms, and control of diseases will be considered.

**Biol-4315. Applied Microbiology.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3705, Biol-3707. Corequisite(s): Biol-4316. Study of the role played by microorganisms on processes and activities related to food, agriculture, and public health. Discusses the method to elaborate and preserve food, food-borne diseases, and the impact of microorganisms on agriculture and in clinical areas.

**Biol-4316. Laboratory of Applied Microbiology.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): Biol-4315. The laboratory experiences are designed to complement the course of Applied Microbiology and will allow the student to develop skills of sample collection and handling for microbiological analyses, isolation and identification of microbes, practices of sterilization, disinfection, and preservation of materials, and handling and maintenance of laboratory equipment and instruments.

**Biol-4335. Evolution.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3011, Biol-3012. Corequisite(s): None. Evolution mechanisms, processes, and effects; factors that cause genetic changes in populations; speciation; population genetics; coevolution and behavioral heritance.

**Biol-4367. Aspects of Industrial Microbiology.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3705, Biol-3707. Corequisite(s): None. Study of industrial processes on which microorganisms, or the isolated enzymes of these, intervene. It will be discussed the classification and description of microorganisms that synthesize useful products for humans, genetic programming of organisms, microbial coordination of growth and metabolism, production methods, quality control of industrial products, and study of the regulations governing industrial production.

**Biol-4370. Bioinformatics.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Biol-3305. Corequisite(s): None. Through conferences, presentations, workshops, and individualized projects, the course provides the basic concepts and the necessary skills to evaluate and use genetic information in a critical and effective way. Bioinformatics is about the management and analyzes of all biological information, including sequences of nucleic acids (DNA and RNA) and amino
acids (proteins); RNA and proteins structures; evolutionary conservation, phylogenetic trees, and grouping of organisms; patterns of genes expression, functional interactions among molecules and metabolic paths, among others.

**BIOI-4415. INTRODUCTION TO INVERTEBRATES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOI-3011, BIOI-3013, BIOI-3012, BIOI-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4417. Introduction to the study of invertebrates, with particular emphasis in taxonomy, morphology, anatomy, ecology, physiology, development, and evolutionary and phylogenetic relations.

**BIOI-4417. LABORATORY OF INTRODUCTION TO INVERTEBRATES.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4415. Detailed study of taxonomical, morph-anatomical, and phylogenetic relations of invertebrate selected groups, with emphasis in species of Puerto Rico. Field trips are included.

**BIOI-4425. GENERAL BOTANY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOI-3011, BIOI-3013, BIOI-3012, BIOI-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4429. Study of the different groups contained in the plant kingdom, with emphasis in the morphology and evolution. Also, studies the physiological and development processes in plants.

**BIOI-4426. GENERAL PARASITOLOGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOI-3011, BIOI-3013, BIOI-3012, BIOI-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4427. Systematic study of the morphology, life cycle, and epidemiology of principal parasites, with emphasis in those that affect humans.

**BIOI-4427. LABORATORY OF GENERAL PARASITOLOGY.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4426. Laboratory practices to complement course classes of General Parasitology.

**BIOI-4429. LABORATORY OF GENERAL BOTANY.** Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4425. Laboratory practices to complement topics discussed in the course General Botany.

**BIOI-4435. TAXONOMY OF VASCULAR PLANTS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOI-4425, BIOI-4429. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4436. The course is an introduction to the study of the vascular plants’ taxonomy. Includes studies of evolution, morphology, distribution, nomenclature, classification, and identification of a selected group of families, within the Pteridophytes, Gymnosperms, and Angiosperms groups, which use representative specimens of our flora. Taxonomy keys will be used for the identification of plant material. Also, the course includes field trips and a visit to a herbarium.

**BIOI-4436. LABORATORY OF TAXONOMY OF VASCULARES PLANTS.** Credits: 0 Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4435. Laboratory practices that complement discussed topics in the course Taxonomy of Vascular Plants.

**BIOI-4447. BIOLOGY OF TERRESTRIAL VERTEBRATES OF PUERTO RICO.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOI-3420, BIOI-3421. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4448. Study of the origin, taxonomy, distribution, habitat, and aspects of conservation of terrestrial vertebrates in Puerto Rico. The course also includes the ecological impact of migratory and exotic vertebrates on resident vertebrates and vegetation.

**BIOI-4448. LABORATORY OF BIOLOGY OF TERRESTRIAL VERTEBRATES OF PUERTO RICO.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4447. Laboratory practices that complement topics discussed in Biology of terrestrial Vertebrates of Puerto Rico.

**BIOI-4458. POPULATION ECOLOGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOI-3115, BIOI-3116. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4459. The course will present basic population ecology concepts at auto-ecological and community levels. It will be discussed the different ways to describe populations, the intraspecific competency, mathematical models of populations, co-evolution concept, interspecific relations, impact of predation and of parasites, life strategies, and the control of populations. The course will provide examples of tropical plants and animals and, as possible, of species existing in Puerto Rico and surrounding territories (Mona, Vieques, Culebra, Virgin Islands, as examples). Will evaluate cases of existing species in Puerto Rico and how to implement the class discussion to the handling of those species.

**BIOI-4459. LABORATORY OF POPULATION ECOLOGY.** Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4458. This laboratory exposes students to the basic techniques used to describe populations, whether in the auto-ecological dimension or in the community dimension. Experiences will include: sampling types, design and implementation of sampling, demographic description of populations, use of tables and figures to describe birth rate, sex ratios, survival, mortality of populations, measuring and description of parasitism, predation and mutualism, intraspecific and interspecific competency, basic statistical tests to analyze and compare populations, alpha and beta distributions, and the use of computers for data analysis. The experiences will be held depending on the conditions at the moment.

**BIOI-4558. ECOLOGY OF TROPICAL TERRESTRIAL COMMUNITIES.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOI-3740, BIOI-4447, BIOI-4448, BIOI-4435, BIOI-4436. Corequisite(s): BIOI-4559. This course will present general ecological concepts of terrestrial communities, of plants as well as of animals. Will be emphasized, among others, the modern theory of definition, distribution, composition, structure, sampling, classification, and organization of the communities, as well as concepts of diversity, succession, and climax. Some study perspectives of communities will be presented, such as morphological, physiological, and of population. Also, some of the ecological principles applied to the control of terrestrial communities will be discussed.
BIOL-4559. LABORATORY OF ECOLOGY OF TROPICAL TERRESTRIAL COMMUNITIES. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4558. The laboratory of the course Ecology of Tropical Terrestrial Communities will include practical experiences in: sampling design and sampling of terrestrial communities, description of spatial structure, determination of various aspects of species diversity, and analysis of classification and indirect and direct organization of communities.

BIOL-4567. WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-4447, BIOL-4448, BIOL-4458, BIOL-4459. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4568. Study of techniques used in the management of populations, communities, and/or natural or artificial systems for the wise and clever usage of these resources, in harmony with ecological needs of the natural and social human systems. It is also integrated a study of public politic statutes and of practices used for conserving wildlife in Puerto Rico.

BIOL-4568. LABORATORY OF WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4567. Study of techniques used when managing populations, communities, and natural and artificial systems for the wise and clever usage of these resources, in harmony with the ecological needs of the natural and social human systems. The student is guided to understand technical, theoretical, and practical details, scientific as well as of public politic, to generate proposals for the conservation of wildlife in Puerto Rico.

BIOL-4605. LIMNOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3115, BIOL-3116. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4606. Study of aquatic ecosystems, the morphological and taxonomical relations, and the effects of physical and chemical contaminants on these systems.

BIOL-4606. LABORATORY OF LIMNOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4605. Laboratory practices to complement topics discussed in the course Limnology.

BIOL-4615. DIVING AND ITS APPLICATION TO MARINE STUDIES. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4620. Method for the study of physical, chemical, biological, and geological parameters through diving techniques. Dominium of diving techniques and safety aspects. Practices in the study of benthic communities in a depth up to 90-feet. Note: Requires knowing how to swim, a physical examination, and the instructor’s permission.

BIOL-4616. MARINE BOTANY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4618. Study of taxonomical, morphological, physiological, and ecological relations, and the economic importance of vegetation in the marine environment. Emphasis will be given to algae and vascular plants.

BIOL-4617. SEMINAR ON MANGROVES AND REEFS. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3115, BIOL-3116. Corequisite(s): None. Special topics on the mangrove and reef. Includes the study of communities, origin, development, and ecological changes occurring in these. Includes trips and field experiences.

BIOL-4618. LABORATORY ON MARINE BOTANY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4616. Practical study of the taxonomical, morphological, physiological, and ecological relations of vegetation in the marine environment. Includes collection and study of these organisms, with emphasis in algae and vascular plants. Field trips are included.

BIOL-4620. LABORATORY OF DIVING AND ITS APPLICATION TO MARINE STUDIES. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4615. Practical usage of the concepts and/or equipment presented in the course BIOL-4615, related to snorkeling and free diving, physical laws, and the physiology associated with diving. Relates the student with techniques for obtaining data and collecting organisms with adequate equipment.


BIOL-4622. LABORATORY OF ITHYTOLOGY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): BIOL-4621. Practical study of collection, preservation, and identification of fish. Includes practical studies of distribution and ecology of fish. Specimens’ dissection of the most important species. Field trips are included.

BIOL-4626. FISHING RESOURCES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3117, BIOL-3118. Corequisite(s): None. Analysis of the fishing techniques used in Puerto Rico. Includes discussion and comparative studies of the techniques used in Puerto Rico with those used on other countries. Evaluation of fishing resources, representative species, and their biological aspects.

BIOL-4628. SEMINAR IN MARINE TOPICS. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3117, BIOL-3118. Corequisite(s): None. Course designed to familiarize students with the skills required to carry out bibliographical studies on Marine Biology topics. The topics can change annually depending on the particular necessities or circumstances at the moment.

BIOL-4635. SEMINAR ON MARINE RESOURCES. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3115, BIOL-3116. Corequisite(s): None. Discussion and study of marine resources, with emphasis on resources of Puerto Rico. The following topics will be developed through the course: exploitation, administration, and conservation of marine resources.
BIOL-4895. EXPERIMENTAL BIOTECNOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, BIOL-3012, BIOL-3014, QUIM 3001, QUIM-3002. Corequisite(s): None. Intensive laboratory course designed for students who are interested in acquiring practical experiences in basic techniques of manipulation and characterization of genes. The course is designed around a cloning gene experiment on which the following techniques are used: extraction and characterization of bacterial DNA, amplification of specific sequences of bacterial genome through PCR technique, DNA-DNA hybridization to detect specific sequences, and cloning and analysis of cloned sequences. The laboratory sessions will be complemented with the analysis of readings on principles associated with the techniques used in the course and their applications in areas such as basic research, medicine, industry, agriculture, ecology, and evolution. Oral and written presentations are key components of the course. To attend this course, the student must obtain the professor’s consent.

BIOL-4907. SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN BIOLOGY. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This is an introduction to the development of a bibliographical research on Biology topics. The main objective of the course is to develop in the student the skills that allow him/her to elaborate a scientific literature review on the selected problem, the writing of a monograph on that topic, and a research proposal in one of the aspects of it. Note: Requires the approval, by one of the Biology faculty members, of the topic selected by the student, which literature can be studied and revised to prepare a research proposal.

BIOL-4908. SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN BIOLOGY. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-4907. Corequisite(s): None. Development of a research in Biology. The enrolled student has prepared, as part of the prerequisites, a monograph on the research problem and a proposal that will serve as a guide for the course works. During the semester, the student will adjust the proposed experimental design, obtain the research data, analyze the data, and write a report in the format of a scientific publication. Note: Requires the approval of the research topic by a member of the Biology faculty.

BIOL-4909. SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN BIOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This is an introduction to the development of a research in Biology. Includes the elaboration of a scientific literature review on the problem, the development of the experimental design, data collection, analysis of this data, and the final draft of a report in the format of a scientific publication. Note: Approval of research topic by a member of the Biology faculty.

BIOL-4925. SEMINAR ON BIOLOGY. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Discussion of literature on modern biology and related topics. Presentation, like seminar, of a topic chosen by each student based on literature recently published in main scientific journals. Also, a written report of this presentation is prepared.

BIOL-4990. INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Research project in the laboratory or in the field. Research is an integral aspect of academic education for a bachelor of science degree. The scientific endeavor is a basic component on all areas of biology. No matter the professional career the student is engaged in upon completion of their studies, a research base should facilitate and enable them to perform their tasks at a higher level. At the same time, research is a method of learning and generates knowledge, and for this is a very useful tool in academic and professional development.

BIOL-5548. NEUROBIOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3012, QUIM-3001, QUIM-3002, QUIM-3031, QUIM-3032. Corequisite(s): None. Introductory course where students are familiarized with different aspects of the nervous system. Will emphasize the nervous cell and the relation among its function, anatomy, and biochemistry. At the same time, this cellular unit is integrated to various physiological circuits to study cellular and organismal function.

CIBI-3001. FUNDAMENTALS OF BIOLOGY I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the basic concepts in Biology, which include chemical structure and composition of living matter, the cell, cell’s metabolism, taxonomy, ecology, genetics, and evolution. Includes conferences, discussions, and demonstrations. Course designed for students of all the bachelors, except for those of Natural Sciences. Note: Not equivalent to BIOL-3011.

CIBI-3002. FUNDAMENTALS OF BIOLOGY II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CIBI-3001. Corequisite(s): None. Continuation of the course CIBI-3001. Study of the basic concepts of human biology, which include development, reproduction, hormonal and nervous controls, and other topics related with human anatomy and physiology. Courses designed for students of all the bachelors, except for those of natural Sciences.

CINA-4995 GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Development practical and theoretical skills in the management of geodata models. Develop practical and theoretical skills of space analysis using a geographic information system, focusing its application to the environmental planning, management of natural resources, and the definition, analysis and solution of environmental problems.

INTD-3110. WOMAN: SCIENCES FROM THE GENDER PERSPECTIVE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Discussion and analysis of topics related with the issue of the woman in natural sciences. Includes the discussion through group dynamic techniques of aspects such as: sexism in language, discrimination by gender, objectivity and neutrality of science, feminist criticism, biological determinism, and women contribution to the advances on science.
INTD-3505. INTRODUCTION TO THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT. Credits: 3. Conference hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is aimed at students with a genuine interest in becoming familiar with the marine environment and its socioeconomic importance. The course will combine conferences, field trips and discussions with experts on marine issues in Puerto Rico. Special emphasis will be given to the east coast of Puerto Rico with an interdisciplinary focus.

INTD-4026. RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): BIOL-3011, BIOL-3013, CIBI-3001. Corequisite(s): None. This course presents a description of responsible behavior on biomedical research. The principles governing this conduct are discussed through the analysis of cases and situations on which these conflicts are considered and how they were solved. Analyzes ethical conflicts of research with human beings, animals, and other organisms. Also, considers implications of technology in the research with organisms. The student will develop critical thinking skills to review, analyze, and evaluate the standards of several topics already covered.

INTD-4055. COMPUTATIONAL METHODS APPLIED TO BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3061. Corequisite(s): None. This course covers the mathematical fundamentals and computational procedures for simulation, through models, of biological processes, such as: enzyme kinetics, photosynthesis, cell division, growth and regulation of populations, interactions of populations (competition and predation), and spatial distribution of populations and communities. Students will get familiarized with the underlying mathematical formulation in models of biological systems, which include difference equations, linear algebra and matrices, differential equations, probability distributions, and spatial statistics. Evaluates computational methods and available programs software for the analysis and simulation of the studied biological systems. The course intends to develop in students interdisciplinary work skill through projects that allow deepening and research of covered topics.

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Objectives

The Department of Physics offers two programs. These are: Associate Degree in Electronics Technology and Nanotechnology, a two-year program for people who are interested on quickly joining the labor force; to develop a positive attitude towards the analytical process which leads them to solve problems, as well as to expand their technological, scientific, and humanistic knowledge; the Bachelor of Sciences with major in Physics Applied to Electronics integrates two aspects of knowledge: Physics, which is the most fundamental of sciences and electronics, which is a basis for industrial development. Prepares professionals able to perform creative and competent work, on physics and electronics fundamentals as well as in their applications, and to collaborate in the design, manufacture, and quality control of products in electronics branch. Students may participate in observation projects of astronomy, nanotechnology, science of materials, medical physics, etc.

Academic Programs

The Department offers study programs leading to the following academic degrees:

Associate Degree in Electronics Technology and Nanotechnology. Graduates technicians in electronics with knowledge and skills on basic electronics, digital electronics, controls and instrumentation, and nanotechnology.

This Program is accredited by the ABET Engineering Technology Accreditation Commission (www.abet.org).

Graduates of the Associate Degree in Electronics Technology and Nanotechnology are expected to attain the following Program Educational Objectives within a few years of graduation:

1. Demonstrate professional growth and competence, acquire new skills, and seek out leadership positions in technical areas related to electronics and/or nanotechnology.
2. Apply professional experience to solve technical and societal problems with creativity, responsibility, and confidence, promoting high standards and ethical values.
3. Respond effectively to technological advances in the profession, valuing innovation, professional improvement, and continuous education.

Bachelor of Sciences with major in Physics Applied to Electronics. Prepares professional physicists with knowledge and skills in the area of electronics. The graduates collaborate on design, production, and quality control in industries that produce electronic equipment.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY AND NANOTECHNOLOGY

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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCES WITH MAJOR IN PHYSICS APPLIED TO ELECTRONICS

### Curricular Sequence

**Summary of credits:**
- General Education courses: 77
- Core courses: 44
- Recommended electives: 12

**Total credits:** 133

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**ASTR-3001. ELEMENTARY ASTRONOMY I**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course is an elective. Presents the most important theories and concepts of the Physical Sciences, from its beginnings to the present. Some of the theories will be analyzed in a socio economic and cultural context. A mathematical language, not beyond elementary algebra, will be used. The development of critical thinking and basic reasoning skills that can serve a better academic achievement in other university courses and as an autonomous learner will also be stimulated. The course will be offered on onsite, hybrid or online modalities.

**ASTR-3002. ELEMENTARY ASTRONOMY II**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CIFI 3001 or ASTR-3001. Corequisite(s): None. This course is an elective. Astrophysical observations and theories about the sun, stars, and galaxies are presented without using mathematics beyond elementary algebra. Includes the study of quasars, the “Big Bang” model, and life in the cosmos. Throughout the course, emphasis is placed on scientific contributions that impact society. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**ASTR-3005. FUNDAMENTALS OF ASTRONOMY**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ASTR3001, ASTR3002. Corequisite(s): None. This course is designed to provide a general introduction to astronomy at a more advanced level. It covers a wide variety of topics, including: the coordinate systems of the sky, instrumentation in astronomy, the nature of light, the Solar System, the evolution of stars, galaxies, and cosmology. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**ASTR-4006. PHYSICAL ASTRONOMY**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3016. Corequisite(s): None. Theoretical research of the physical processes in astronomical systems, such as position and magnitude of the stars. Also, studies binary and variable stars, radiation, structure and evolution of stars, interstellar matter, galaxies, and cosmology aspects.

**CIFI-3001. INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL SCIENCES I**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Presents to the student a general view of the historical and philosophical evolution of physical sciences. The purpose is to introduce sciences, not as a static collection of facts and formulas but, as an organic body of concepts that are in continuous development. A brief discussion of the astronomy evolution leads from the Aristotelian universe to the Newtonian. Examines the movement theories, universal gravitation, and the principles of conservation. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**CIFI 3002. INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL SCIENCES II**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): CIFI 3001. Corequisite(s): None. Studies, from the concept evolution point of view, the electricity and magnetism theories, the development of the atomic hypothesis of matter, and those fundamental ideas of modern physics that turns it into a cultural dominant factor of our century. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**CIFI-3015. TOPICS IN PHYSICAL SCIENCES**. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Study of matter and energy, especially the applications of the universe’s physical laws. Studies, through laboratories and demonstrations, the application of physical science principles to modern technology. Special attention is given to the development and usage of teaching strategies and laboratory activities for a physical sciences course of intermediate school.

**FISI-1031. PHYSICS FOR TECHNOLOGY I**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): FISI 1031. This course presents an introduction to fundamental concepts of mechanics and thermodynamics. Study topics include statics, kinematics, dynamics, work and energy, conservation laws, temperature, heat, and thermodynamic laws. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-1032. PHYSICS FOR TECHNOLOGY II**. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 1031, FISI 1033. Corequisite(s): FISI 1034. This course presents an introduction to concepts of electrostatics, magnetism, and optics. Emphasis will be given to the study of electrical circuits. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-1033. LABORATORY OF PHYSICS FOR TECHNOLOGY I**. Credit: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): FISI 1031. This course presents a selection of experiments on statics, kinematics, dynamics, work and energy, laws of conservation, temperature, heat, and thermodynamic laws. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-1034. LABORATORY OF PHYSICS FOR TECHNOLOGY II**. Credit: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 1031, FISI 1033. Corequisite(s): FISI 1032. This course presents
a selection of experiments on electrostatics, magnetisms, and optics, with emphasis on electrical measures. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3011. UNIVERSITY PHYSICS I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE 3018 or MATE 3172. Corequisite(s): FISI 3013 and MATE 3061. Introductory course to physics as a fundamental science. Offers a unified view of it, emphasizing conservation principles, concepts of fields and waves, and the atomic matter point of view. The first semester covers kinematics, dynamics of a particle, energy, and oscillating movement. Also, the dynamic of a system of particles and gravitational field. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3012. UNIVERSITY PHYSICS II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3011 and FISI 3013. Corequisite(s): FISI 3014. This course is dedicated to the study of electrostatics, electromagnetism, electromagnetic waves and light, and some fundamental principles of modern physics and matter structure. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3013. LABORATORY OF UNIVERSITY PHYSICS I.** Credit: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): FISI3011. This course complements the student’s knowledge that was acquired in class. Consist of a series of experiments intended to verify the laws of mechanics and thermodynamics. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3014. LABORATORY OF UNIVERSITY PHYSICS II.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3011 and FISI3013. Corequisite(s): FISI3012. This course will complement the knowledge acquired by the students in class. It consists of a series of experiments focused on verifying the laws of electromagnetism, light and modern physics. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3016. MODERN PHYSICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3012. Corequisite(s): None. The students are exposed to this century’s physics. Includes: relativity elements, fundamentals of quantic mechanics, and atomic and molecular physics. Also, atom’s structure and notions of atomic and molecular spectroscopy. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3046. MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Includes a topic selection, such as matrix vector analysis, partial differential equations, special functions, series, and Fourier integral, transformed into Laplace. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3116. ENGINEERING MATERIALS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE 3172. Corequisite(s): None. This is an introductory course in the structure and properties of engineering materials. To motivate students, they will conduct an exploration of two known systems that use a variety of important materials: bicycle and Walkman. The advantage of this approach is that is a familiar context to the student, who probably was already interested in knowing how these systems work. At the end, all topics of a traditional course are covered, but using a more significant format for a beginner student.

**FISI-3130. LABORATORY OF ENERGY.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 4057. Corequisite(s): None. Semester of practical experience that relates the student with the fundamental concepts in physical aspects of energy, such as: photoelectric effect, measures of solar intensity, and heat transfer estimates. Also, conservation of mechanical energy, measure of thermodynamic first and second efficiencies.

**FISI-3135. ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3011. Corequisite(s): FISI 3012. Basic concepts of linear electrical circuits. Methods for solving electrical grids. Analysis of grids in steady state. Transitory effects. Introduction to Laplace, Fourier, and Bode techniques. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3136. SOLAR ENERGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 4057. Corequisite(s): None. Examines solar energy physics as applied to solar warming and cooling, electricity generation, wind-solar energy, bio-conservation, and ocean-thermal energy. Includes economic aspects of solar energy.

**FISI-3137. ANALYSIS OF LINEAR SYSTEMS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3012 and MATE 3062. Corequisite(s): None. Varied study of mathematical methods for the analysis of linear systems. Includes: differential equations, system and matrixes, introduction to one-variable complex functions, and Fourier and Laplace transformations. Analysis in the control of time and in the control of the transformed. State variable.

**FISI-3138. DESIGN OF LOGIC DIGITAL SYSTEMS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3141. Corequisite(s): None. Combines the discussion of concepts and creative work in the laboratory. Expands the knowledge of digital electronics previously learned in circuits’ design and analysis techniques, such as: Karnaugh map and the Quinn-McKusky algorithm. It emphasizes the minimization methods and the design of medium and large-scale integrated circuits.

**FISI-3141. ELECTRONICS I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3135. Corequisite(s): FISI 3143. Rigorous analysis of modern electronics on which discrete components are studied, although gives more importance to digital circuits. Studies the characteristics and functioning of semiconductor devices and focuses on the study of logic circuits, combinatorial and sequential, and of integrated circuits at a medium (msi) and large scale (lsi). The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3142. ELECTRONICS II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3141 and FISI 3143. Corequisite(s): FISI 3144. Analysis of electronic analog circuits, includes circuits with diodes and bipolar and field-effect transistors. Concepts
of amplification, feedback, and response of frequency, are used. Introduces the operative amplifier and its applications. Studies signal generators and electronic potency circuits. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3143. LABORATORY OF ELECTRONICS I.** Credit: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3135. Corequisite(s): FISI 3141. Construction of electronic circuits discussed in class. Relevant measures are taken. Emphasis is given to the use of commercial devices and the use of guidebooks and specifications sheets. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3144. LABORATORY OF ELECTRONICS II.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3141 and FISI 3143. Corequisite(s): FISI 3142. Measurements at the point of operation of amplifiers with transistors. Frequency gain and response measurements are made. Construction of circuits with integrated operational amplifiers. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-3171. PHYSICS I.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): MATE 3061. Corequisite(s): None. Principles of mechanics, waves, and optics for engineering and sciences.

**FISI-3172. PHYSICS II.** Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3171 and MATE 3062. Corequisite(s): None. Principles of electricity, magnetism, optics, and modern physics for engineers and physical sciences.

**FISI-3173. LABORATORY PHYSICS I.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): FISI 3171. Experiments of mechanics, waves, and optics to understand the course Physics I.

**FISI-3174. LABORATORY OF PHYSICS II.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3173. Corequisite(s): FISI 3172. Experiments of electricity, magnetism, and modern physics as complement of the course Physics II.

**FISI-4047. INTRODUCTION TO SOLID STATE PHYSICS I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3016, MATE3062. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the solid-state structure: crystalline structures, reciprocal reticulate, crystals diffraction, phonons, fermi gas, and energy bands. Also, the student will get familiarized with the semiconductor’s theory and dielectric and magnetic solid properties.

**FISI-4048. NONCLEAR PHYSICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3016. Corequisite(s): None. Course of phenomenological nature. Examines several nuclear models. Includes particles detector, radioactive decay, and nuclear reactions. Studies principles of symmetry, las of conservation, interactions, and models of elemental particles.

**FISI-4051. INTERMEDIATE MECHANICS I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3012. Corequisite(s): None. This course presents an introduction to the fundamental concepts of classical mechanics. Concepts include: oscillations, gravitation, Hamilton’s principle, and Lagrangian and Hamiltonian dynamics. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-4057. THERMODYNAMICS AND STATISTICAL MECHANICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3012. Corequisite(s): None. Presents an introduction to the fundamental concepts of thermodynamics and statistical mechanics. Topics studied include temperature, first and second law of thermodynamics, kinetic theory of gases, and Maxwell-Boltzmann statistics. The course is aimed at undergraduate students in Physics at the intermediate level. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-4067. NON-CONVENTIONAL METHOD FOR GENERATING ENERGY.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): FISI4057. Corequisite(s): None. Non-conventional methods for the production and conservation of energy; problems of waste recycling.

**FISI-4068. ELECTROMAGNETISM.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3012. Corequisite(s): None. This course includes concepts of electrostatics, magnetostatics, electrodynamics, and Maxwell’s laws. Includes vector calculus analysis, definitions of gradient, divergence, and rotation. Also, includes the divergence and rotation theorems. The student is familiarized with the fundamental theorems of electromagnetism. The content includes an elementary treatment of the theory of electromagnetic radiation. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-4069. PHYSICS OF ENERGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI4057. Corequisite(s): None. Studies the structure of final uses of energy, availability, and energy quality. First and second thermodynamic efficiency. Analysis of net available energy, with applications to specific systems. Resources and technology of energy conservation. Ends studying conservation technology and the strategies proposed to solve the energetic problem.

**FISI-4085. QUANTUM PHYSICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3016. Corequisite(s): None. Introduces mathematical postulates and schemes of quantum mechanics. Defines the function of state, the operators, and their own values. Solves the equation of Schrodinger for different possibilities, including the oscillator and the hydrogen atom. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-4086. ADVANCED DESIGN IN ELECTRONICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3142 and FISI3144. Corequisite(s): None. Combines discussion of creative concepts and work in the laboratory. Previously learned knowledge in electronics will be applied to the design and development of circuits and particular instruments for a single purpose. Skills will be developed in the use of specifications manuals. Includes a special project.

**FISI-4087. INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC INSTRUMENTATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI3142 and FISI3144. Corequisite(s): FISI4088. Studies of several electronic devices and circuits applied on the industry: silicone-controlled rectifier, thyristor, mono-union transistor, etc. Also, studies the
FISI-4088. LABORATORY OF INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC INSTRUMENTATION. Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3142 and FISI 3144. Corequisite(s): FISI 4087. Studies the composition and functioning of electric and electronic measurement instruments. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

FISI-4161. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH I. Credits: 2. Research work hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3012 and MATE 3061. Corequisite(s): None. The student will work on an original problem of research under the mentorship of a faculty member. Bibliographical review of the field, experimental work, numerical computation, and data collection and analysis.

FISI-4162. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH II. Credits: 2. Research work hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3012 and MATE 3061. Corequisite(s): None. The student will work on an original problem of research under the mentorship of a faculty member. Bibliographical review of the field, experimental work, numerical computation, and data collection and analysis.

FISI-4163. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH III. Credits: 2. Research work hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3012 and MATE 3061. Corequisite(s): None. The student will work on an original problem of research under the mentorship of a faculty member. Bibliographical review of the field, experimental work, numerical computation, and data collection and analysis.

FISI-4164. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH IV. Credits: 2. Research work hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): MATE 3061. Corequisite(s): None. The student will work on an original problem of research under the mentorship of a faculty member. Bibliographical review of the field, experimental work, numerical computation, and data collection and analysis.

FISI-4165. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH V. Credits: 2. Research work hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): MATE 3061. Corequisite(s): None. The student will work on an original problem of research under the mentorship of a faculty member. Bibliographical review of the field, experimental work, numerical computation, and data collection and analysis.

FISI-4171. SEMINAR I. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Participation in seminars or videoconferences offered by several lecturers, who may be department professors, guest professors from industry or research centers, or other students from the course or program, invited by the professor responsible of the course. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

FISI-4172. SEMINAR II. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Participation in seminars offered by several lecturers, who may be department professors, guest professors from industry or research centers, or other students from the course or program, invited by the professor responsible of the course. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

FISI-4173. SEMINAR III. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Participation in seminars offered by several lecturers, who may be department professors, guest professors from industry or research centers, or other students from the course or program, invited by the professor responsible of the course. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

FISI-4174. SEMINAR IV. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Participation in seminars offered by several lecturers, who may be department professors, guest professors from industry or research centers, or other students from the course or program, invited by the professor responsible of the course. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

FISI-4175. MICROPROCESSORS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3142. Corequisite(s): FISI 4176. History of the microprocessor, their classification according to the characteristics, uses, and purpose: of real time, unreal time, of general purposes, or only one purpose. System for the communication with the external world, three buss configuration, data highway, interphases of intercommunication, internal architecture of at least three main microprocessors, flowcharts, general mnemonic language, programs coding, types of instructions, description of at least two codes of microprocessors, subroutines, main programs, and instruction modes. Memory maps, documentation, programming, and applications. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

FISI-4176. LABORATORY OF MICROPROCESSORS. Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3142. Corequisite(s): FISI 4175. This laboratory is of the bachelor level. In it, detailed experimental studies will be made on applications of microprocessors as a central unit and as part of a system that can communicate with the external world in their control uses of different usage and how they function in a complete system. Also, studies will be made of interphases and input and output sensors. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or output modalities.

FISI-4177. PHYSICS OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3175 and MATE 3062. Corequisite(s): None. This is a course of intermediate level on which it is discussed the applications of the solid-state physics to design, construction, and operation of semiconductor artefacts, such as different types of transistors, optoelectronic transducers artefacts, and others.

FISI-4178. PHYSICAL OPTICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 4068. Corequisite(s): None. This course covers the fundamental aspects of modern optics and its relevance in the design of modern instrumentation. Covers de areas of geometric and physical optics.

FISI-4179. APPLIED ACOUSTICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 4051 and FISI 3135. Corequisite(s): None. Formal presentation of acoustics principles. Considers
physical and psychophysical aspects, vibrations, sound radiation, propagation, and sound perception.

**FISI-4185. PRACTICE IN GOVERNMENT OR INDUSTRY.** Credits: 3. Practice hours per week: 12. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3142 and FISI 3144. Corequisite(s): None. “In site” application of the acquired knowledge in the area of electronics and energy.

**FISI-4186. ENERGY CONSERVATION.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 4057. Corequisite(s): None. Advanced course on conservation. Includes: methods and technologies of conservation; relation between energy and the standard of living; efficient use of energy; and conservation methods in industry and in transportation. Also, it discusses complete energy systems and conservation plans.

**FISI-4187. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 3142. Corequisite(s): None. The communication concept is defined, and the discussion is focused on the theoretical and practical aspects of electronic communication. Discusses concepts of noise, spectral analysis, modulation, and detection. Analyses the different ways of signal transmissions and describes the uses of the electromagnetic spectrum and refers to some regulations governing communications.

**FISI-4189. TOPICS IN PHYSICS APPLIED TO ELECTRONICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Discussion of topics selected by agreement to complement the existing courses in electronics.

**FISI-4191. INTERMEDIATE LABORATORY I.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisites: FISI 3016. Corequisite(s): None. This is an intermediate level course in which detailed experimental studies will be made of certain phenomena that are basic to the discipline of physics. We start with the operation of a LASER. Electromagnetic radiation in the optical and microwave frequency band will be emphasized. The interaction of this radiation with matter and the phenomenon of diffraction and interference will be studied in depth. Also, will study the movement of coupled oscillators, standing waves, the mechanism of heat transport in materials and measurements of the speed of light in air. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**FISI-4192. INTERMEDIATE LABORATORY II.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI 4191. Corequisite(s): None. This is an intermediate level course in which detailed experimental studies will be made of certain phenomena that are basic to the discipline of physics. In particular, the experimental foundations of modern physics and nanotechnology will be emphasized, such as charge quantization, energy quantization, and polymer nanofiber fabrication and characterization. Simple and complex quantum systems will be analyzed by using the photoelectric effect and some properties of semiconductor polymers will be studied. Sophisticated instruments such as the atomic force microscope and the scanning electron microscope (SEM) will also be used. Electronic devices will be manufactured using organic polymers. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-1021. ALTERNATE CURRENT CIRCUITS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI1031, FISI1033. Corequisite(s): TEEL1022, FISI1032, FISI1034. This course covers topics of basic electricity, including Ohm’s law and laws and simplifications of circuits. Special emphasis is given to the operation of alternate current systems, with the complex numbers (phasors), impedance, reactance, and resonant circuits. Also, studies coupled circuits, transformers, and three-phase circuits. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-1022. LABORATORY OF ALTERNATE CURRENT CIRCUITS.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): FISI1031, FISI1033. Corequisite(s): TEEL1021, FISI1032, FISI1034. Teaching of the basic techniques for electrical measurements, in continuous and alternate currents. Measurements of voltage, currents, resistance, and power are carried out. Study topics include an introduction to the use of the oscilloscope, resonant circuits, and circuits with transformer. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2007. INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER PROGRAMMING.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course presents a general view of computers, including the history, generations, and classifications. Concepts of digital, analog, and hybrid computers are taught, of real time, unreal time, of general purpose, and of only one purpose. Presents the characteristics of peripheral equipment and the different types of memories and their uses. Also, studies the basic machine language, mnemonic, and high-level languages. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2009. TECHNICAL REPORT WRITING.** Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): INGL 3102. Corequisite(s): None. Presents practical aspects of organization, elaboration, and writing of reports. Readings, analysis, and interpretations of technical articles are made. Also, the techniques for correct technical report writing in the industry are studied, in Spanish and English. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2015. PRACTICE IN INDUSTRY.** Credits: 2. Practice hours per semester: 100. Prerequisite(s): TEEL1021, TEEL1022. Corequisite(s): None. The student completes a minimum of one hundred hours of work in the electronics industry, supervised by a faculty member and a member of the industry. The purpose of it is to allow the student to familiarize with its operation, to observe the application of some of the basic concepts studied during the first year, and also to relate with the work environment. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2019. INTRODUCTION TO QUALITY CONTROL.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Presents the history and the quality
control concept evaluation. Studies the quality control concepts in the modern industry, the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), and the quality improvement. Also, includes the fundamentals of probability, sampling, reliability, and total quality. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2031. BASIC ELECTRONICS I.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL1021, TEEL1022. Corequisite(s): TEEL2032. Presents the functioning theory of semiconductor devices, including diodes, and bipolar and field effect transistors (BJT, FET, MOS). Also, analyzes the functioning in continuous and alternate currents of amplifying configuration, common base/"gate", common transmitter/"source“ and common collector/"drain". The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2032. LABORATORY OF BASIC ELECTRONICS I.** Credit: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL 1021. TEEL 1022. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2031. In this course it is performed the assembling of circuits with semiconductor devices and measurements of the operation point and gain of current and voltage. Also, studies the specifications' sheets of the electronic components. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2041. BASIC ELECTRONICS II.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL 2031, TEEL 2032. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2042. Studies circuits with semiconductor devices and integrated circuits, including amplifiers (response in frequency), power amplifiers, and operational amplifiers. Also, active filters, oscillators, power devices, voltage regulators, and analog-digital converters. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2042. LABORATORY OF BASIC ELECTRONICS II.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL 2031, TEEL 2032. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2041. In this course it is performed the assembling and response measuring of frequency in amplifiers and the analysis of power amplifiers of A, B and A-B class. Circuits with operational amplifiers are analyzed, including inverting and non-inverting configurations, differential amplifiers, comparator circuits, differentiators, and integrators. Also, the assembling and analysis of active filters, oscillators, circuits with SCR and TRIAC, regulator circuits, and conversion circuits, of analog signal to digital signal and vice versa. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2111. DIGITAL ELECTRONICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL1021, TEEL1022. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2112. This course includes general concepts of numerical systems and Boolean algebra. Details the techniques for simplification, realization, and analysis of logical circuits (e.g.: Morgan’s Theorem, Karnaugh’s Map). Studies bi-stable, counters, registers, and integrated digital circuits' concepts that are most common in the industry. Also, presents the conversion techniques of analog signals to digital signals and vice versa. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2112. LABORATORY OF DIGITAL ELECTRONICS.** Credit: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL 1021, TEEL 1022. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2111. This course conducts analysis of digital logical circuits in order to study their functioning and circuit applications, such as: multi-vibrators, counters, registers, and converters. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2121. MICROPROCESSORS AND MICROCOMPUTERS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL 2111, TEEL 2112. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2122. This course presents an introduction to the architecture basic concepts of the most common microprocessors. Studies the techniques of memory structure, input, output, direction, and the set of instructions and programming in assembly language on practical applications. Also, offers an introduction to the basic concepts of Programmable Logic Controller (PLC), the analysis and synthesis of Ladder diagrams, and the use of programs for PLC. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2122. LABORATORY OF MICROPROCESSORS AND MICROCOMPUTERS.** Credit: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): TEEL 2111, TEEL 2112. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2121. This course presents the methods of assembling and analysis of circuits that are essential for microcomputers and for the Programmable Logic Controller (PLC). Also, includes the interfaces of microprocessors and PLC, and related circuits to study practical systems and their applications. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2131. INDUSTRIAL NANOTECHNOLOGY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2132. This course offers a general view of the nanotechnology field and its applications. Studies materials, processes, equipment, devices, characterization techniques, vacuum techniques and equipment, and procedures of hygiene and industrial safety for employees in the micro and nanotechnology industries and in other industries that make use of those technologies. Also, introduces the concept of micro and Nano electronic systems. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.

**TEEL-2132. LABORATORY OF INDUSTRIAL NANOTECHNOLOGY.** Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): TEEL 2131. This course offers a general view of experimental procedures used in micro and nanotechnology. Considers the cleaning, hygiene, and safety protocols used in the cleanroom when executing experiments. The experiments include the study of materials, processes, and characterization in micro and nanotechnology. Special emphasis is given to lithographic processes of micro and Nano patterns definition. The course can be offered on-site, hybrid or online modalities.
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FURLAN, ROGERIO. Full Professor, PhD, 1990, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil; PostD, 1996, University of Pennsylvania, United States.

PINTO, NICHOLAS J. Full Professor, PhD, 1992, Montana State University, United States.

RAMOS COLÓN, IDALIA. Full Professor, MS, 1992, University of Purdue, United States.

RUIZ GARCÍA, ABRAHAM. Full Professor, PhD, 1992, Autonomous University of México, México.

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VEDRINE-PAULÉUS, JOSEE. Associate Professor, PhD, 2005, Brown University, United States. PostD, 2006, Princeton University, United States.

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History and Objectives

The Department of Mathematics, by Cert. 2021-2022-26 of the Governing Board, obtained the approval for a new academic offering: Program of Bachelor in Science in DATA SCIENCE (PBMC, by its Spanish acronym). The origin of the program emerged from the result of the quinquennial evaluation 2010-2015 to the Bachelor Program in Computational Math (PBMC, by its Spanish acronym). The program of Data Science updates the PBMC integrating a novel specialized area, Data Science. This upgrade places us again in a privileged position at a local and national level because of being a unique program in content, focus, and curriculum.

Academic Programs

Program Bachelor in Science in Data Science

The Program has its pertinence in the natural, economic, and social sciences, in particular actuarial science, physical sciences, material sciences and computational chemistry, agricultural, biomedical sciences, economy, demography. The performance of the PBMC graduate proposed can be summarized in the following three basic components: readiness to apply a model of analysis, application of mathematical models, and the interpretation of results.

The PBCD will encourage in its students: independent study, participation in research, innovation, dissemination of knowledge, and their contribution to the development of the country. Will teach its graduates to apply the knowledge in mathematics, statistics, computational sciences, and data sciences in the solution of problems subject to analysis and to develop in their area.

The Program will provide the student with the following competencies:

- Knowledge of one or more areas of application.
- Basic formation on some areas of computational science (data management, networks, parallelism).
- Basic formation in mathematics and statistics.
- Perform based on scientific techniques: proof of hypothesis and validation of results.
- Component of automatic learning (machine learning), artificial intelligence, or algorithms of knowledge discovering (data mining).
- Skills of techniques to visualize data, not only in a user level, but also as developers in the production of applications.

Today, the availability of data in massive amounts makes necessary the development of students with skills of data management and programming, such as: the development of graphic interfaces based on novel tendencies of information visualization and communication; management of large databases, not necessary uniformly structured. In 2019, among the employment expectations (careercast.com) the data scientific profession appears classified as the more demanded in the United States. In terms of necessity, exhaustive research has been made of the academic offering within the UPR System and private university systems. There is no bachelor in Data Science of similar disciplines.

Option in the BA Program (PBMC, by its Spanish acronym): Minor in Actuarial Sciences (unique in UPR and in PR):

The Department of Mathematics, recognizing the necessity to prepare individuals capable of eventually performing in the actuarial field and given the significant scarcity of these professionals in the island, designed the Minor in Actuarial Sciences (CMCA, by its Spanish acronym). It consists of five courses, for a 15-credits total: Statistical Mathematics, Stochastic Models and Problems, Actuarial Science, Fundaments of Financial Mathematics, and Risk Theory. Students who complete these courses receive a special annotation in his/her academic record (The CMCA does not grant any professional certification, nor claims the right of it). With this new option, students of the UPRH, as well as graduates from other universities and the external community in general, will have the opportunity to prepare themselves to take two of the exams of the Actuarial Association (SOA) to receive this entity’s certification. This offering began on January of 2013 and already has graduates working in the actuarial field with, at least one of the American Actuarial Association (SOA) exams approved.

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**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DATA SCIENCE**

Curricular Sequence

Summary of credits:

- General education courses ..............................................61
- Core courses .....................................................................37
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### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**CDAT-3001.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP3082, COMP3084 or similar courses with the previous authorization of the Mathematics Department Director. The student is introduced to the computational methodology of visualization of scientific data. The student will be able to handle data and select tools to visualize patterns in time, proportions, relations, differences, and spatial patterns. The student will learn the methodologies to develop the necessary tools for interactive visualization. Also, the student will be able to use these tools to construct and effectively communicate a narrative from the data. **Note:** Involves laboratory use.

**CDAT-4001. INTRODUCTION TO DATA SCIENCE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP3082, COMP3084 or similar courses with the previous authorization of the Mathematics Department Director. In this course, the student will learn the fundamentals of the discipline and will conduct the different steps of the data science process: data collection, cleaning, and processing on a high scale, exploratory analysis, modeling, visualization, and the creation of a data product. The course emphasizes giving a panoramic view of the discipline and how its parts are integrated in the practice. **Note:** Involves laboratory use.
CDAT-4011. MACHINE LEARNING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP3082, ESMA3105 or similar courses with the previous authorization of the Mathematics Department Director. In this course, the student will have a panoramic approach of the discipline’s fundamentals, technics, and algorithms; and will familiarize, through practice with applications, with machine learning. The course content is divided based on the three types of learning that are considered in the discipline: supervised learning, non-supervised learning, and reinforcement learning.

CDAT-4013. MACHINE LEARNING LABORATORY. Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): CDAT4011. This laboratory course complements the concepts learned in the course CDTA4011 – Machine Learning. Students will familiarize, through practice, with the different stages of Machine Learning and their application in real troubleshooting. They acquire knowledge and develop skills for the implementation and adaptation of Machine Learning algorithms applied to specific data sets. Also, they will get familiarized with the evaluation techniques of the models produced by the algorithms of Machine Learning. Note: Involves laboratory use.

COMP-3005. INTRODUCTION TO THE USE OF COMPUTERS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is oriented towards the exposition and practice of computer methods of access, collection, reproduction, relationship, graphic representation, data manipulation, and simulation of physical events. The student will be introduced to a programming environment, a data electronic sheet, a document processor, a database system, and several systems for accessing information through networks. The interface or intermediary environment perceived by users must be the most developed available, so that the operations can be as simple as possible, increasing the students’ productivity and, therefore, allowing them to concentrate in solving problems and not on details of functioning of the particular system in use. Note: Involves laboratory use.

COMP-3081. INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Concept of algorithm, description of a computer system, basic structure of a program, variables and constants, value assignment, data, procedures and functions, control structures, compound statement, arrays, parameters, records, sets, and files.

COMP-3082. INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP-3081. Corequisite(s): None. Stylistic guides, robustness, structured programming, methods of design for the programming implementation, program debugging and verification, how to read a program, efficiency considerations, pointers, recursion, some sorting algorithms, processing of character strings, lists, stacks, queues, binary trees, documentation, maintenance. The design and implementation of a program that has at least 500 lines is a course requirement.

COMP-3083. INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE I LABORATORY. Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): COMP3081 or a high-level language. This laboratory course complements the concepts obtained in the course COMP3081 – Introduction to Programming and Computer Science I. Students will acquire knowledge and develop skills in using tools to edit, document, structure, compile or interpret, and debug code, with text interface and with graphical programming environments that integrate all these tools. Also, students will get familiarized with the documentation of application programming interfaces (API) in both, language libraries and the publicly accessible to develop basic graphic interfaces and process text. The course introduces and puts into practice fundamental methods of software development. Note: Involves laboratory use.

COMP-3084. INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE II LABORATORY. Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): COMP3082 or a high-level language. This laboratory provides the students experiences that complement the theory presented in the course COMP3082 and develop application skills of its topics. They will manage files and data processing techniques are applied, such as integration, debugging, transformation, or reduction for analysis. The applications focus the file management on different formats and forms of access, and in revealing the meaning of their content. Note: Involves laboratory use.

COMP-4010. APPLICATION DESIGN FOR WEB (WEB APPS) AND MOBILES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP-3081 or a high-level language. Corequisite(s): None. Knowing SQL is recommended, but not mandatory. In this course, students will be exposed to the technologies and programming languages most used today for the development of online applications (web apps) and mobile applications. Students will be introduced to the basics of hypertext programming using HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language) and CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) and their connection with technologies for the development of pages with dynamic content. Also, students will learn the basic elements of programming technologies from the client side (e.g., JavaScript-JS) and programming from the server side (e.g., PHP, Node, etc.) and their relationship with database management systems, with emphasis on data science.

COMP-4085. ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP-3081 or a high-level programming language. Corequisite(s): None. The course explains the internal architecture of a computer, the functional interrelation and independence of the devices in it, as well as the logic structures that determine its behavior. Also, studies the set of instructions of a typical computer and the development of algorithms of moderate complexity, with
emphasis in the development of routines that can be called from a high-level language. Note: Includes laboratory.

**COMP-4096. OPERATING SYSTEMS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP-4085. Corequisite(s): None. Fundamental concepts of operating systems, multiprogramming, virtual memory, memory management, degeneration, interruptions, architecture principles of assembly, of a compiler, and of an operating system. Note: Includes laboratory.

**COMP-4097. DATA STRUCTURE AND ALGORITHMS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3050, COMP-3082. Corequisite(s): None. Basic data structure, such as lists, queues, stacks, and trees. Algorithms for the manipulation of these structures. Algorithms for data sorting and search. Analysis of algorithms. Management of the computer memory. Graphs and digraphs. Note: Includes laboratory.


**COMP-4115. COMPUTER GRAPHICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP-4097. Corequisite(s): MATE-4061, COMP-4116. Representation of primitive graphic objects: points, lines, polygons, solids. Transformations: translation, rotation, contraction/expansion reflections, and their matrix representations and homogeneous coordinates. Ray tracing, calculations of visible areas and shadows. Representation and generation of surface areas that use algebraic geometry. Spline curves, Bézier and data interpolation. Numerical stability of calculations. The laboratory experiences relevant to this course are offered in the course COMP-4116.

**COMP-4116. LABORATORY OF COMPUTER GRAPHICS.** Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP-4097. Corequisite(s): MATE-4061, COMP-4115. This course studies the resources for printing or graphic displaying and storage and its formats. Skills are acquired in the use of standard packages for programming with computer graphics, as Open GL. The course includes the realization of a programming project of computer animation. Note: Includes laboratory.

**COMP-4119. TOPICS ON COMPUTER SCIENCES.** Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Mini course on important current subjects on one of the following fields: operating systems, architecture of computer systems, computability, compilers.

**ESMA-3105. STATISTICAL MATHEMATICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3046. Corequisite(s): None. Parametric statistical methods. Inferential statistics, central limit theorem, sampling, and probability. Point estimates, confidence intervals. Errors of type I and II. Hypothesis tests using Normal, Student-t, Chi-square, and Binomial distributions.

**ESMA-3145. STOCHASTIC MODELS AND PROBLEMS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE3046, MATE4031. Corequisite(s): None. This course introduces the student to the study of different types of stochastic processes which are broadly used in fields of natural sciences, finance, marketing, actuarial mathematics, and social sciences. It discusses the basic theory and statistical aspects of Markov strings, discrete and continuous, Brownian movement and its generalizations, and Martingale theory. The course ends with an introduction to stochastic calculus, in particular the integration rules and differential equations.

**MAAC-3001. ACTUARIAL SCIENCE.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3046. Corequisite(s): None. Provides the student a general view of actuarial science and insurance systems designed to minimize the adverse financial impact of certain types of aleatory events. This impact reduction depends on premium rates and on financial reserves to respond to claims. From this, the student is shown how the determination of these rates and reserves are made based in the collection and systematic analysis of data and in the types of benefits.

**MAAC-3002. FUNDAMENTALS OF FINANCIAL MATHEMATICS.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3061 or its equivalent. Corequisite(s): None. The course is relevant for students aspiring to a career as actuaries in the insurance industry. In it, the student is introduced to calculus associated with the temporal value of money. Today’s financial instruments have different values at different times; their values depend on interest rates and on time. For this, it is essential for an actuary to understand the compound interest notions, interest rates and discount, present value, time and interest determination, calculation of annuities, perpetuities, continuous and variant annuities, on payment frequencies and of interest conversion, determination of yield and reinversion rates, amortization tables, securities analysis, and sales-purchase of bonds and shares.

**MAAC-4001. RISK THEORY.** Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): ESMA3145. Corequisite(s): None. The quantification of risk is the essence of the actuarial activity. Risk management is what allows the insurance industry to offer alternatives to mitigate the negative impact of contingent and, probably harmful, events. This course strongly depends on the student to master concepts of probability and of stochastic processes. Through it, students will learn to work classic models of risk and will apply them to interest problems in the insurance industry. The course presents students the frequency models of claims made to the insurer, models of aggregated claims, models of long-term risk, and survival models.

**MATE-0026. FUNDAMENTALS OF UNIVERSITY MATHEMATICS.** Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is designed for students whose performance in the Mathematics section of the
university’s admission exam does not allow him/her to enroll in the corresponding course (See current certification #2017-2018-052 of the Academic Senate). This course allows the student to adapt his/her skills to university level. In it, students will develop skills of arithmetic, algebra, and problem solving as essential elements to substantially improve the reasoning and apply the knowledge. Note: a requisite for students admitted to the bachelor programs of Natural Sciences in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao who have obtained 604 or less in the Mathemetic section of the CEEB.


MATE-1007. MATHEMATICS FOR ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3018 or MATE-3172. Corequisite(s): None. Theory of equations, complex numbers, analytical geometry notions, polar coordinates, and series. Introduction to differential and integral calculus in one-variable functions and some of its applications. Introduction to the empirical adjustment of curves.

MATE-1011. INTRODUCTORY MATHEMATICS I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): See Note. Corequisite(s): None. Real numbers system, exponents, and radicals. Algebraic expressions, polynomials, and rational expressions. Linear and quadratic equations and inequalities. Polynomial and trigonometric functions. Graphics. Note: 550 points or more in the CEEB Achievement Test or MATE-3001.


MATE-1031. FUNDAMENTALS OF TECHNICAL MATHEMATICS I. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course develops the basic mathematical concepts and skills for differential and integral calculus. Also, the student will be exposed to different activities with the objective of improving his/her quantitative reasoning and ability to apply mathematical language and symbolism to his/her area of study. Will study the real numbers set, polynomials, rational expressions of polynomials, linear equations, quadratic equations, linear equations systems, basic theory of functions, exponential functions, and logarithmic functions. Emphasis is given to the use of available technology (e.g.: graphic calculator. Computers, etc.) or mathematical software to conduct calculations, evaluate functions, approximate solutions of equations, and particularly, to explore, encourage, and analyze mathematical concepts from a graphical point of view.

MATE-1032. FUNDAMENTALS OF TECHNICAL MATHEMATICS II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): MATE-1031. Corequisite(s): None. In this course, students of technology programs work with notions of geometry, trigonometric functions, analytical trigonometry, elements of differential and integral calculus of one-variable functions, and some of their applications. Most of the content in this course attends fundamental concepts of differential and integral calculus. Like in the first course of this sequence, emphasis is given to the use of technology or mathematical software to conduct calculations, evaluate functions, approximate solutions to equations, and particularly, explore, encourage, and analyze mathematical concepts from a graphical point of view. The purpose of using technology is to complement and sustain the concepts presented in the course. The use of technology in the course’s teaching-learning process, under any circumstances, denies the basic principle of it being a help, only if all concepts are known at first.

MATE-3001. ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Sets. Numbers systems, exponents, and radicals. Polynomials and rational expressions. Simple functions and their graphics. Linear and quadratic expressions, systems of linear equations. Linear inequalities. Note: a requisite for students admitted to the Faculty of Business Administration in the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao who have obtained 564 or less in the Mathematical section of the CEEB.

MATE-3008. MATHEMATICS FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Notions of sets; real numbers system; fractions and decimals; percentages and applications; theory of linear and quadratic equations and inequalities; systems of linear equations; functions (linear and quadratics), graphs and applications; basic principle of counting; analysis of survey’s data; permutations and combinations; and elements of probability and descriptive statistics.


MATE-3018. PRE-CALCULUS AND ANALYTICAL GEOMETRY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): See Note.
Corequisite(s): None. Study of the concepts of functions, graphics of polynomial, exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions. Inverse function. Complex numbers, theory of equations, system of equations, inequalities. Note: 1,400 points or more on the mathematical achievement and mathematical aptitude sections of the CEEB; MATE-3001 or four points or more on the CEEB Mathematics Advanced Level I test.

MATE-3041. INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICS I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Notions of sets, logic, axiomatic of algebra, real numbers systems, properties of operations, and of numbers, decimal numbers system and their graphic representation in the numeric line, equivalence relations, of equality and sorting.

MATE-3042. INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICS II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3041. Corequisite(s): None. Rational and irrational numbers, potencies, and roots. Polynomials, factorizations, rational expressions, equations and inequalities, and linear equations systems. Functions and graphs. Elements of intuitive geometry, congruencies, areas, volumes. Probability and normal distribution.


MATE-3050. DISCRETE MATHEMATICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3018 or MATE-3172. Corequisite(s): None. Theory of sets, integers, divisibility, least common multiple and greatest common divisor, modular arithmetic, matrixes, prepositional logics, Boolean operations, graphs and matrixes, relations, and functions, counting techniques, trees, algorithms, groups and semigroups, monoids and finite state machines, colored trees.


MATE-3063. CALCULUS III. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3062. Corequisite(s): None. Vector calculus, calculus of functions with several variables, and vector analysis. Partial differentiation, implicit functions. Lagrange multipliers. Spherical and cylindrical polar coordinates. Multiple integrals, line integrals. Vector fields. Theorems of Green, Stroke and Gauss, etc.

MATE-3071. COLLEGE ALGEBRA. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Real numbers, exponents, radicals, and logarithms. Polynomials and rational expressions. Linear equations in one, two or three variables, linear inequalities in one variable. Relations and functions.

MATE-3076. THEORY OF COMPOUND INTEREST. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This is a course of calculus application to economy, finances, commerce, and banking economic activity. Discusses the dynamic relation of money value and the different financial tools regarding interest rates and time. The continuous applications are of theoretical importance and give the skills to understand the dynamic relations between money, time, and interest rates. The course is oriented toward students of mathematics pursuing an actuary career in the insurance industry and toward those candidates taking the certification exams of the Actuarial Association. The course includes the notion of compound interest, interest rates and discounts, present value, time, and interest determination. Calculations of annuities, perpetuities, and continuous annuities. Calculations of yield and reinversion rates. Amortization rates. Securities analysis and buying and selling of bonds.

MATE-3171. PRE-CALCULUS I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): Have 6032 or more in the Mathematics section of the College Board Admission Test; or have approved (P) the course MATE0026; or have approved the course MATE3001 with a minimum of C; or an equivalent course. Corequisite(s): None. Absolute value, exponents and radicals, complex numbers, linear and quadratic equations, systems of equations. Inequalities. Functions and graphics. Polynomial


MATE-4030. NUMBERS THEORY FOR TEACHERS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: Prerequisite(s): MATE-3018 or MATE-3172. Corequisite(s): None. This course covers the basic notions of the number’s theory in a classic undergraduate course and offers a view of modern applications to science and technology. Topics to be covered are natural numbers, numbering systems, divisibility, prime numbers, congruencies or modular arithmetic, Diophantine equations, continuous fractions, cryptography, classic problems.

MATE-4031. LINEAR ALGEBRA. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3061. Corequisite(s): None. Matrixes algebra. Linear systems, vector spaces, linear transformations, inner product, determinants, characteristic values and vectors, matrix diagonalization.

MATE-4055. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course will consist of a research topic in Mathematics or Computer Science assigned by the professor in charge. The topic will, generally, be part of a ampler project and the student will be evaluated according the volume and originality of his/her contribution. Note: Requires authorization from the professor or program coordinator.


MATE-4091. ABSTRACT ALGEBRA I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MATE-3050, MATE-4031. Corequisite(s): None. Sets. Studies and discussion of algebraic structures, such as Boole algebra, monoids, semigroups, groups, rings, bodies, and substructures related with the previously described. Applications in Mathematics, Electric Engineering, Computer Science, Statistics, and other areas.

MATE-4106. PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): COMP-4097 and COMP-4085. Corequisite(s): None. Relation among programming languages and the machine architecture, structure of Algol type languages and interpretative languages, types of data provided by the language and their conversion, control structure, correction, and reliability of programs, modularization in different languages. Note: Includes laboratory.


MATE-4112. MATHEMATICAL ANALYSIS II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): MATE-4111. Corequisite(s): None. Topology in Rm. Functions and transformations of several variables, differential calculus, theorems of implicit function and inverse function. Line and surface integrals.


MATE-4117. TOPICS OF MATHEMATICS. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): Depends on the topic. Corequisite(s): None. Mini course in one of the following fields: Operative Research, Statistics, Analysis (real or complex), Applied Algebra, Topology.

MECU-3031. QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3.
Prerequisite(s): Have obtained 603\(^2\) or more in the Mathematics section of the College Board Admission Test.

MECU-3032. QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): MECU-3031. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to differential and integral calculus functions in one variable. Limits, continuity, differentiation techniques, problems of maximums and minimums with applications to economy, integration of polynomial, exponential, and logarithmic functions.

FACULTY

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\(^2\) This parameter was 650. The College Board admission test was changed and an adjustment was made to this parameter.
Objectives

The Department of Chemistry offers the Bachelor of Sciences with major in Industrial Chemistry, which is unique in the UPR System. Supervised practice in the industry is required. The curriculum allows to pursue graduate studies, provides the opportunity to acquire laboratory experiences in the chemical-pharmaceutical industry of the country, and surpasses class hours and laboratories requirements of the Chemistry profession regulatory law of Puerto Rico.

Also, offers a minimal background in the area of management or environmental chemistry. The laboratories have been designed to provide the basic training on analysis and synthesis techniques, as well as in instrumentation handling required from an industrial chemist.

Also, offers the Associate Degree in Chemical Technology, in which laboratory skills are developed in the area of instrumental analysis and organic chemistry, and is characterized by the intensive use of modern equipment to perform chemical analyses. This program includes a Supervised Practice in an industry allowing the student to familiarize with the work environment.

Academic Programs

The Department offers study programs leading to the following academic degrees: **Associate Degree in Chemical Technology**. Prepare technicians with skills in chemical analysis, control of industrial processes, and organic synthesis, using modern equipment intensively. The program includes courses of Introduction to Chemical Engineering, Supervised Practice in the Industry, and Unit Operations. **Bachelor of Sciences with major in Industrial Chemistry** (Unique Bachelor within the UPR System). Prepare professionals to work as chemists. Can perform functions of supervision or management in the areas of quality control, compliance, environmental control, and production. The curriculum provides all the requirements to take the examinations leading to the granting of the Chemists license in Puerto Rico.

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY**

Curricular Sequence

**Summary of credits:**

- General Education courses.............................................32
- Core course.................................................................37

**Total..........................................................69**

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- General Education courses: 42
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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

QUIM-3001. GENERAL CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3003. Introduction to the concepts and laws of Chemistry. Study of the Periodic Table, simple chemical reactions, stoichiometry, atomic structure, bond, and calorimetry.

QUIM-3002. GENERAL CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3001. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3004. Study of the states of matter - gas, solid, and liquid, properties, of dissolutions, colligative properties, chemical equilibrium, kinetics, thermodynamics, and electrochemistry. Note: Three lecture hours and four laboratory hours per week.

QUIM-3003. LABORATORY OF GENERAL CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3002. This laboratory complements studies from the course. Includes representative experiments of each main area studied in class, such as physical properties, stoichiometry, concentration, gases, and types of reactions. Emphasizes laboratory safety, development of experimental techniques, and in the gathering, analysis, and presentation of results.

QUIM-3004. LABORATORY OF GENERAL CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3002. This laboratory complements studies from the course. Includes representative experiments of each main area studied in class, such as colligative properties, chemical equilibrium, neutralization reactions and redox, electrochemistry, thermodynamics, and kinetics. Emphasizes laboratory safety, development of experimental techniques, and in the gathering, analysis, and presentation of results.

QUIM-3013. LABORATORY OF GENERAL AND ORGANIC CHEMISTRY, BIOLOGY AND BIOCHEMISTRY I. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3161. The content of this course applies to events related to health sciences and includes basic experiments of General and Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry relevant to health areas. Note: For students enrolled in the Nursing Program.

QUIM-3014. LABORATORY OF ORGANIC CHEMISTRY II AND BIOCHEMISTRY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3161. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3162. Includes basic experiments of equilibrium, of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry, applied to health and nutrition. Note: For students enrolled in the Nursing Program.

QUIM-3025. ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 11. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3002. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3026. Study of theories and methods for quantitative analysis using gravimetric and volumetric methods and includes potentiometric titrations. Brief introduction to spectrophotometric methods of analysis with emphasis in ultraviolet-visible region. The class emphasizes the fundamental theory of chemical analysis, relevant equilibriums, and computations of results. Also, studies limitations and possible errors on the more common analytical determinations, and on the interpretation of results obtained. Note: Three lecture hours and four laboratory hours per week.

QUIM-3026. LABORATORY OF ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 8. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3002. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3025. Laboratory that complements the course of Analytical Chemistry. Develops practical skills in the area of quantitative analysis, with emphasis on analytical determination in unknown samples through gravimetric, volumetric, spectrophotometric, electrometric, and chromatographic techniques. Special attention to the statistical treatment of the data.

QUIM-3031. ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 7. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3002. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3033. Study of the carbon compounds by functional groups based in the structure, properties, nomenclature, stereochemistry, synthesis, reactions, and mechanisms. Includes an introduction to infrared spectroscopy techniques, nuclear magnetic resonance, and mass spectrometry. Note: Three lecture hours and four laboratory hours per week.

QUIM-3032. ORGANIC CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 7. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3031. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3034. Continuation of carbon compounds studies by functional groups based in structure, properties, nomenclature, stereochemistry, synthesis, reactions, and mechanisms. Includes an introduction to infrared spectroscopy techniques, nuclear magnetic resonance, and mass spectrometry. Note: Three lecture hours and four laboratory hours per week.

QUIM-3033. LABORATORY OF ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3002. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3031. This is a four-hour per week laboratory that complements the course of Organic Chemistry I. Includes, among others, practice of the analysis, purification, identification, and synthesis methods of organic compounds.

QUIM-3034. LABORATORY OF ORGANIC CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3031, QUIM-3033. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3032. This is a four-hour per week laboratory that complements the course of Organic Chemistry II. Includes, among others, an experimental study of several organic reactions and their mechanisms, qualitative analysis and identification of unknowns.

QUIM-3035. SPECTROMETRIC IDENTIFICATION OF ORGANIC COMPOUNDS. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032. Corequisite(s): None. Studies the more common spectrometric methods used in the identification of organic and some organometallic compounds. It will discuss methods based on selective absorption of electromagnetic radiation by compounds. These methods are ultraviolet-visible and infrared spectroscopy, nuclear magnetic resonance, and mass spectrometry. Also, it will include the necessary theory to understand the relation between chemical structure and composition with spectrometric observation.
QUIM-3036. INTRODUCTION TO INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032, QUIM-3025. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the chemical process fundamentals of production and manufacture. It will be discussed aspects related with the characteristic of industrial chemistry; matter and energy balance; principles that govern the flow of fluids and heat; separation processes; kinetics, and aspects related with the financial analysis of a chemical process.

QUIM-3045. CHEMICAL AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REPORT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Aspects in chemical literature. Training in the use of references, oral and written communication, with emphasis on reports and bibliography in the chemical industry field.

QUIM-3161. INORGANIC AND ORGANIC CHEMISTRY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3013. Interpretation of chemical phenomena in terms of the molecular structure; study of stoichiometry, chemical equilibrium, and the most important organic functions. Note: Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours per week.

QUIM-3162. ORGANIC CHEMISTRY II AND BIOCHEMISTRY. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3161. Corequisite(s): QUIM-3014. Introduction to general concepts of Organic Chemistry. Study of biochemical principles of the cellular functioning for sciences applied to health. Note: Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours per week.

QUIM-3165. POLYMERS CHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032. Corequisite(s): None. Thermodynamic, kinetics, and stereochemistry aspects of macromolecules and their effects on the physical and chemical properties of these. The course also includes different aspects of polymers technology. Integrates laboratory experiences of synthesis and characterization of polymers.

QUIM-4000. INORGANIC CHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3002. Corequisite(s): None. Discussion of modern inorganic chemistry: theory of covalent bond, study of solid state, and the chemistry of solutions. Emphasizes the study of the coordination of compounds, their structures, bonds, stability, and mechanisms of reaction and considers experimental methods used to study the structure and bonding of inorganic compounds.

QUIM-4015 INSTRUMENTAL ANALYSIS. Credits: 4. Lecture hours per week: 9. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, QUIM-3026. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4016. This is an undergraduate course of Instrumental Analysis designed to provide advanced level students with theoretical and practical knowledge of the instruments used in chemical analysis. Includes topics related to the most recent advances in the analytical instrumentation field, and covers the following areas: spectroscopy, electrochemistry, and chromatography. The class emphasizes the fundamental chemical and physical theory of instruments operation, which includes interpretation of the data obtained when using them. Note: Three lecture hours and 6 practice hours per week.

QUIM-4016. LABORATORY OF INSTRUMENTAL ANALYSIS. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, QUIM-3026. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4015. This laboratory complements the course Instrumental Analysis. The laboratory work is organized in a way that the student can operate almost independently of the assigned instruments. Performs chemical analysis of commercial samples that expose the student to the practice application of Instrumental Analysis in the Industry through the application of spectroscopic, electrochemical, and chromatographic techniques.

QUIM-4035. INTERMEDIATE ORGANIC CHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032, QUIM-3034. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4036. This is an intermediate course and is designed for students in the Major of Chemistry who would like to deepen their knowledge in organic synthesis. Requires that the student keeps up to date the assigned study material and excellent attendance to class. The topics to be covered are basic methods for carbon-carbon bonding formation, theory and strategies of molecular synthesis, and the concepts of pyrophoric reactions. Identification of structure by modern spectroscopic methods.

QUIM-4036. LABORATORY OF INTERMEDIATE ORGANIC CHEMISTRY. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4035. Chemical principles related to the formation of carbon-carbon bonds, regiospecific and enantiomerspecific reactions. Emphasis will be given to the use of instrumentation for isolation, purifying, and identifying organic compounds. The correlation of spectral and physical data in structure confirmation will be a fundamental application of knowledge and skills acquired from other courses.

QUIM-4041. PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, MATE-3062, FISI-3012. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4051. Introductory course of undergraduate Physical Chemistry that studies the fundamental laws governing the behavior of gases, liquids, and solids. Also, studies the thermodynamic and physicochemical properties of these systems, the chemical equilibrium, electrochemical properties of dissolutions, rule of phases and colligative properties. The main emphasis is in the development and applications of thermodynamic laws and chemical equilibrium.

QUIM-4042. PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-4041, QUIM-4051. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4052. Systematic study of the kinetics theory model for an ideal gas, the distribution functions, and the analysis of complex reactions’ kinetic data. The equations of Arrhenius and Eyring are studied for the speed constant dependency with temperature. In addition, discusses the postulates of quantum mechanics, Schrodinger equation, quantic numbers, harmonic oscillator, vibrational spectrum of diatomic molecules, rigid rotor, rotational spectrum of diatomic molecules, statistical mechanics, and partition functions.
QUIM-4047. NANO SCIENCE AND NANO TECHNOLOGY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025. Corequisite(s): None. Introduction to nanoscience and nanotechnology concepts. Study of fullerenes, carbon nanotubes, self-assembled nanoparticles of metal protected by monolayers, nanosensors, nanobiology, nanomedicines and medicinal nanomachines. The impact of nanotechnology, including the development of technologies to clean the environment, molecular medicine, and development of new materials and electronic devices will be analyzed.

QUIM-4048. QUALITY ASSURANCE, COMPLIANCE, AND MANUFACTURE. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025. Corequisite(s): None. This course prepares students of sciences to work in the areas of regulatory agencies of the state and federal government, international agencies, compliance audit companies, pharmaceutical industries, food, medical devices, and biotechnology. Emphasizes state, federal, and international regulations, in best practices to guarantee quality and compliance on the pharmaceutical manufacture and packing operations, and in biotechnology operations.

QUIM-4049. MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032, BIOL-3012. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the synthesis and structure of drugs, the medication mechanism of action, and drug metabolism. The following medicinal classes are discussed: antimicrobial agents, antivirals, anticancer, medicinal, cardiovascular, diuretics, medicines for the autonomic nervous system and the nervous system, and anti-inflammatory drugs (steroids and non-steroids).

QUIM-4051. LABORATORY OF PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 2. Laboratory hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, FISI-3012. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4041. Experiments of thermodynamics, chemical equilibrium, electrochemistry, viscosity, and phase diagrams. Discusses the theory and corresponding methods for each experiment.

QUIM-4052. LABORATORY OF PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 2. Laboratory hours per week: 5. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-4051, QUIM-4041. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4042. Experiments of chemical kinetics, molecular kinetics, quantic mechanics, and spectroscopy. Discusses the theory and corresponding methods for each experiment.

QUIM-4053. SUPERVISED PRACTICE IN THE INDUSTRY. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 0. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025 or TEQU-2001, QUIM-3032 or TEQU-2003, QUIM-3026 or TEQU-2002. Corequisite(s): None. Practice work with a minimum of 90 hours of contact, carried out in a government or industry laboratory in which the student will get familiarized with the techniques, chemical methods, and discipline used in such facilities.

QUIM-4055. BIOCHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032, BIOL-3012. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the structure and function of molecules vital for life, such as proteins, lipids, carbohydrates, and nucleic acids. Discusses some of the experimental techniques to isolate and purify these biomolecules and their application in biochemical research. Also, studies the structure and function of biological membranes, enzymatic kinetics, carbohydrates metabolism, lipids, and nucleic acids, as well as some aspects of molecular biology.

QUIM-4056. LABORATORY OF BIOCHEMISTRY. Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032, FISI-3012, BIOL-3012. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4055. Laboratory that includes experiences related with the material studied in the course of Biochemistry. Develops practical experiences to help understand the structure and function of the macromolecules within the cell. The laboratory uses individualized teaching to develop in the student specific skills in the area of study. Some of the techniques included are ion exchange chromatography, dialysis, ultrafiltration, and electrophoresis.

QUIM-4086. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH I. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 8. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, QUIM-3032. Corequisite(s): None. Supervised research on a topic related to any of the fundamental areas of pure or applied chemistry. The course requires a minimum of 8 hours per week of experimental and bibliographical research work in an assigned project. These hours are carried out by agreement between the professor and the student. To enroll in this course, the student must have an academic index of 2.5 or more and have the authorization of the professor and the department's director.

QUIM-4087. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH II. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 8. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, QUIM-3032, QUIM-4086. Corequisite(s): None. Supervised research on a topic related to any of the fundamental areas of pure or applied chemistry. The course requires a minimum of 8 hours per week of experimental and bibliographical research work in an assigned project. These hours are carried out by agreement between the professor and the student. To enroll in this course, the student must have an academic index of 2.5 or more and have the authorization of the professor and the department's director.

QUIM-4088. INVESTIGACIÓN SUBGRADUADA III. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 8. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, QUIM-3031, QUIM-4087. Corequisite(s): None. Supervised research on a topic related to any of the fundamental areas of pure or applied chemistry. The course requires a minimum of 8 hours per week of experimental and bibliographical research work in an assigned project. These hours are carried out by agreement between the professor and the student. To enroll in this course, the student must have an academic index of 2.5 or more and have the authorization of the professor and the department's director.

QUIM-4089. INVESTIGACIÓN SUBGRADUADA IV. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 8. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025, QUIM-3031, QUIM-4088. Corequisite(s): None. Supervised research on a topic related to any of the fundamental areas of pure or
applied chemistry. The course requires a minimum of 8 hours per week of experimental and bibliographical research work in an assigned project. These hours are carried out by agreement between the professor and the student. To enroll in this course, the student must have an academic index of 2.5 or more and have the authorization of the professor and the department’s director.

QUIM-4169. WATER TREATMENT. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025. Corequisite(s): None. Study of the criteria used in determining the water quality and the characteristics of the sewage. Discussion of operations and processes used on filtration plants and on sewage treatment plants.

QUIM-4175. ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4176. Study of the chemical phenomena occurring in the environment, with emphasis on those of Puerto Rico; study of the sources, reactions, transport, effects, and destination of the chemical species present in the waters, soils, and atmosphere. Includes basic concepts of environmental biochemistry and chemical toxicology. Reference is made to the island laws and regulations for air, soil, and waters of the Environmental Quality Board, Health Department, and ferals.

QUIM-4176. LABORATORY OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY. Credits: 1. Laboratory hours per week: 4. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3025. Corequisite(s): QUIM-4175. Planning and execution of field sampling on superficial waters, air, and soils. Writing and interpreting of environmental evaluation reports on each of the three spheres (hydrosphere, atmosphere, lithosphere), includes the field analyses results and measurements of environmental basic parameters, in addition to the sampling analysis performed in the laboratory. Uses systems of sampling and continuous analysis. Organic and metal analyses are made with separation and modern instrumentation techniques, as well as chemical analyses with traditional techniques following recommendations of the "American Standard for Testing and Materials (ASTM)".

QUIM-4181. TOPICS OF INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032. Corequisite(s): None. Study of topics relevant to the chemical industry, among others: quality engineering, pharmaceutical operations, treatment of waters, environmental regulations, regulations on health and occupational safety, air contamination, handling and disposal of solid waste, validation, and laws that regulate the exercise of Chemistry.

QUIM-4182. TOPICS OF INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032, QUIM-4181. Corequisite(s): None. Study of topics relevant to the chemical industry, among others: quality engineering, pharmaceutical operations, treatment of waters, environmental regulations, regulations on health and occupational safety, air contamination, handling and disposal of solid waste, validation, and laws that regulate the exercise of Chemistry.

QUIM-4205. FOTOCHEMISTRY. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032. Corequisite(s): I. Corequisite(s): MATE-3061. Study of the fundamental principles, methods, and industrial applications of the conversion of electromagnetic energy to chemical energy. Discusses the basic concepts of excited state, theory of colors, photo reactivity, photo kinetics, rules of selection, and singlet oxygen. Also, discusses the photo reactions of several organic groups.

QUIM. 4305. INTRODUCTION TO FOOD ENGINEERING. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): QUIM-3032, FISI-3012, MATE-3072, MATE-3062. Corequisite(s): None. Study of engineering concepts and unit operations used in food processing. The principles related to the flow of fluids, generation and transfer of heat, thermal processing of foods, freezing, evaporation, drying, and aseptic processing and packing.


TEQU-1002. LABORATORY OF INTEGRATED CHEMISTRY I. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): TEQU-1001. This laboratory complements the course TEQU-1001. Includes the development of skills in the use of volumetric equipment and in the operation of separation and identification instruments (some of them are controlled by computers) as chromatographs of gas and of HPLC; as well as the UV-VIS spectrophotometer. Emphasizes safety measures, adequate handling of substances, preparation of graphics with computer programs, and writing of laboratory reports. Include experiments to determine the freezing point by cryoscopy and fusion point of pure and mixed substances.

Calorimetry. Note: Three lecture hours and six laboratory hours per week.

TEQU-1004. LABORATORY OF INTEGRATED CHEMISTRY II. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): TEQU-1001, TEQU-1002. Corequisite(s): TEQU-1003. This laboratory complements the class TEQU-1003. Includes experiments of quantitative analysis of metals by spectrophotometry of atomic absorption, of products by spectrophotometry of visible region, of calorimetry, and kinetics which determines the order of reactants and the reaction constant with graphics. Emphasizes the development of skills in the operation and usage of analytical instruments, some of them controlled by computers.

TEQU-1012. CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY SEMINAR. Credits: 1. Lecture hours per week: 1. Prerequisite(s): TEQU-1003. Corequisite(s): None. Discusses topics of Chemical Technology and of the chemical industry of Puerto Rico. Training in the preparation of scientific monographs and oral presentations with visual resources.

TEQU-2003. INTEGRATED CHEMISTRY IV. Credits: 5. Lecture hours per week: 9. Prerequisite(s): TEQU-1003 and TEQU-1004. Corequisite(s): TEQU-2002. The course of Chemical Technology 2001/2002 is the continuation of the course TEQU-1003 and TEQU-1004. These courses are of a special nature because the theory and practice of chemistry are merged. This course gives emphasis to the study and training in qualitative and quantitative methods of analysis, such as volumetric, gravimetric, electrochemical, and spectrophotometric analysis. Also, highlights the fundamental chemical and physical theory of instruments operation, which includes the interpretation of the data obtained from it. Note: Three lecture hours and six laboratory hours per week.

TEQU-2002. LABORATORY OF INTEGRATED CHEMISTRY III. Credits: 0. Laboratory hours per week: 6. Prerequisite(s): TEQU-1003, TEQU-1004. Corequisite(s): TEQU-2001. Develops adequate techniques of laboratory and correct operation of equipment and instruments through the practice of qualitative and quantitative methods of gravimetric, volumetric, electrochemical, and spectrophotometric analyses.

TEQU-2003. INTEGRATED CHEMISTRY IV. Credits: 5. Lecture hours per week: 9. Prerequisite(s): TEQU-2001, TEQU-2002. Corequisite(s): TEQU-2004. Introduces the student to concepts of structure and reactivity of the organic compounds from the main families. Special emphasis is given to spectroscopy methods to learn and identify organic, environmental, and industrial compounds. Theory of chromatography of thin layer, gases and high-pressure liquid, infrared spectroscopy, organic functional groups, reactivity and reaction mechanisms of organic molecules, kinetics, and chemical equilibrium. Note: Three lecture hours and six laboratory hours per week.
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History and Objectives

The Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work Services (from now on DSCPTS, by its Spanish acronym) staff includes an Interim Director, four professional counselors, a clinical psychologist, one social worker and one administrative assistant. The Department offers counseling, orientation, and therapy services in personal, family, educational, vocational, and occupational areas to the UPRH’s student community. As part of these services, the Office gives referrals and consultancies to specialists and public and private dependencies, among others. Similarly, the personnel offer consulting to the university personnel as requested. These services are offered through individual, group and familiar interventions. Services offered are free of charge, confidential, and voluntary. Also, department professors intervene on crisis situations, whether individual or group basis, which affect the UPRH students’ performance. In addition, the course of Introduction to the University Life is offered to first year students (INTD 3005 y INTD 1005) and educational activities aimed at prevention are organized.

On the other hand, as part of the Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work Services is the Occupational and Information Resources Center (CORI, by its Spanish acronym). A counselor of the DSCPTS is assigned to work at this center. CORI offers vocational counseling and orientation services about occupations and the work environment, post-secondary institutions, and applications for graduate schools’ admission exams, among others.

The DSCPTS responds to the necessity of the university community, encouraging and optimum environment for the teaching-learning processes and the student’s full development. Support is given to the non-teaching staff, faculty, and administration to enhance the quality of life and the education environment from the Institution. In 2008, the accreditation from the International Association of Counseling Services (IACS) was obtained. In 2014, reaccreditation for the next eight years was obtained.

In summary, the Department of Counseling, Psychology and Social Work Services helps students to manage their emotional and health problems, as well as to achieve their personal, academic, and occupational goals for a better student performance.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

INTD-1105. FROM COLLEGE TO WORK. Credits: 0. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is designed to facilitate students their integration to university life. Also, to relate them with the necessary skills to perform effectively in their university studies. Emphasizes the development of employability skills and future plans. The course is a workshop type where theory and practice are combined, and exercises of group dynamics are conducted. Contains three units: Life skills, The adventure of success, and Integrating myself to university. Discusses topics like self-knowledge and self-esteem; skills of assertive communication and effective study, handling of situations in couples, family, with professor; socialization by gender, personal and occupational decision-making; usage of university resources, among others. Note: Requires to be a new admission student of the bachelor programs.

INTD-3005. INTEGRATION TO UNIVERSITY LIFE WORKSHOP. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. The course is designed to facilitate first-year students to obtain the skills necessary to perform effectively in their university studies. The course develops like a workshop where theory and practice are combined with several exercises of introspection. Contains three units: Life skills, The adventure of success, and Integrating myself into university. Discusses topics like self-knowledge and self-esteem; skills of assertive communication and effective study, handling of situations in couples, family, with professor; socialization by gender, personal and occupational decision-making; usage of university resources, among others. Note: Requires to be a new admission student of the associate degree or transfer programs.
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Academic Honors Program

History and Objectives

The Academic Honors Program (PAH, by its Spanish acronym) from the University of Puerto Rico at Humacao (UPR) was established in 1989 with a main objective; to offer talented students a learning environment rich in practical and intellectual experiences additional to those offered by academic curriculums. Another objective is to complement and enrich, within an interdisciplinary framework, the actual curriculum of students whose desires are to pursue graduate studies. These experiences will stimulate the development of the students’ potentialities, qualities, and skills, will add to their personal growth, and will potentiate their growth as members of a university body.

The Program enrolls students from all disciplines of the UPR who are prepared to comply with the requirements of it and with courses equivalent to 11 credits: Multidisciplinary Topics (3 credits); Interdisciplinary Seminar of research (3 credits); Independent Study (2 credits); and BA Thesis of PAH (3 credits).

It is required for participants of the Program to take a third language course to reinforce their cognitive benefits and to widen cultural knowledge. The Academic Honors Program allows students to obtain co-curricular experiences of intellectual and professional benefit, as excursions, workshops, trips, expositions, and conferences, among others. The honor’s students have some special privileges: priority on the processes of registration and enrollment; use of the library’s Journals Hall and Puerto Rican Collection Hall resources at extended hours; and use of computers in the area of PAH.

The Academic Honors Program of the UPR at Humacao has the prestige to be member of the University Association of Puerto Rico’s Honors Programs (AUPH, by its Spanish acronym).

COURSE DESCRIPTION

PREH-3990. MULTIDISCIPLINARY TOPICS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. This course pretends to offer students several activities, such as workshops, modern language courses, seminars, conferences, guided trips or excursions, concerts and film series, among others, to enrich their academic life and expose them to an integral education. The purpose of this course is to provide students with experiences that regular academic courses from their curriculum cannot provide.

PREH-4676. INTERDISCIPLINARY SEMINAR OF RESEARCH. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): None. Corequisite(s): None. Defines research and studies it from the qualitative, quantitative, mixed, scientific, and social perspectives, among others. Students learn to write a research proposal and the steps leading to a well-based study. Also, the course emphasizes ethical aspects of research; and, finally, students will prepare an oral presentation of it.

PREH-4705. HONORS PROGRAM INDEPENDENT STUDY. Credits: 2. Lecture hours per week: 2. Prerequisite: PREH-4676. Corequisite(s): None. In this course, students will perform research on their area of specialty or on an area of interest. Will use the research logical procedure in the selection and description of the topic or problem to investigate and will apply the adequate research method. Also, the course offers the opportunity to practice previously acquired skills from the course Interdisciplinary Seminar of Research.

PREH-4985. HONORS PROGRAM UNDERGRADUATE THESIS. Credits: 3. Lecture hours per week: 3. Prerequisite(s): PREH-4705, PREH-4676. Corequisite(s): None. The course will offer students the opportunity to write an undergraduate thesis in a topic or problem of their area of specialty or particular interest, in which they will practice the research skills acquired in the course of Interdisciplinary Seminar of Research and in the Independent Study. Also, students will review and edit the presented chapters in the proposal and in the Independent Study. Then, will present the conclusions and implications of their research. Will submit their undergraduate thesis work, will review and edit it; and finally, will give an oral presentation of it.

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