Feedback to the teachers

Course: Epidemiological method in medical research (spring 2023)

To be sent to broz@sund.ku.dk or hand in to a teacher. No need to put your name.

Instructions:

- We would like your feedback for each orange item.
- The text in gray is here to give you some inspiration, and save you time
- If you find the item irrelevant, remove the gray text or move to the next item.
- you can write "freely" any feedback in the last item (Other remarks).

1. Overall assessment

	Relevance (put a X in one cell per line)			Understanding (put a X in one cell per line)		
	Highly	Somewhat	Not	Full	Partial	Limited
Day 1. Introduction to epidemiology						
Day 2. Cohort studies						
Day 3. Bias and confouding						
Day 4. Case-control studies						
Day 5. Poisson and logistic regression						
Day 6. Hypothesis testing, interactions						
Day 7. Survival analysis (Kaplan-Meier, Cox)						
Day 8. Matching						
Day 9. Registry data analysis						
Day 10. Communication						

Specific feedback:
Day 1.
Day 2.
Day 3.
Day 4.
Day 5.
Day 6.
Day 7.
Day 8.
Day 9.
Day 10.

I would have liked to spend more time studying ... instead of ...

a. The balance between theory and practice was:

- Appropriate
- Practicals were not related to the lectures (give an example)
- I would have preferred learn more programming and few statistical methods
- ...

b. The balance between epidemiology and biostatistics was:

- Appropriate
- I wished we would have had more epidemiology so we could have learned about ...
- I wished we would have had more biostatistics so we could have learned about ...
- ...

c. During the practicals, we were usually doing 55 min group work, 30 min solution, 20 min break, 45 min group work, 30 min solution. That was:

- Appropriate
- I would have liked more 'official' breaks
- I would have liked having more but shorter repetitions of group work/solution/break
- (e.g. 30/15/15 min, 3 times)
- ...

d. The last day of the course is different from the other days: it is about communication and discussions motivated by your own research. That was:

- Appropriate
- It was hard to follow/relate to other people presentations so I do not think I learned much
- It was stimulating to see 'real life' application of some of the methods seen during the course
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e. The working environment was

- Good. I could easily interact with other students and / or get some input or feedback from the teachers.
- I felt isolated and mostly on my own.
- I wish we had more opportunities for group work
- I did not felt asking questions (if you can somehow describe why that would be helpful)

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2. Study material

a. The lectures notes on the course website were:

- Excellent/Good/Ok/Fair/Poor
- I did not look at them

- ...

b. The exercise solutions on the course website were:

- Excellent/Good/Ok/Fair/Poor.
- I did not look at them.

- ...

c. The **optional reading** on the course website were:

- Excellent/Good/Ok/Fair/Poor.
- I could find articles relevant to prepare, better understand/go beyond the lecture
- I did not find the articles relevant, the articles were too hard to read
- I did not look at it.

- ...

d. The **webpage** was:

- Intuitive and easy to use.
- Not well organized.
- I had trouble to use absalon.

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3. Self study time

a. Before each new day:

- I would typically read and study the material from the previous days.
- I would typically read the suggested chapter books.
- I would typically read the suggested articles.
- I did not know what to prepare
- I did not had time for reading the suggested material.

- I found the book (CH / SN) very relevant.
- The book (CH / SN) was too complicated, not concise enough.

[CH: D. Clayton & M. Hills (1993, 2012). Statistical models in epidemiology.

SN: Szklo M & Nieto FJ. Epidemiology. Beyond the Basics. 3rd Edition]

- b. To help you prepare your presentation the last day of the course, there was a peer feedback session on day 6 and some feedback from the teacher. This was:
 - Useful
 - I mostly felt that the peer feedback was useful
 - I did not really understand the point of the peer feedback session
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- c. The course contain 70 hours of lectures/practicals and 105hours of preparations. Does that match your experience? What did you use the preparation hours for?
 - About that. I probably spent about 25h for the scientific presentations and a few hours before each class to read the previous course material.
 - I spent more than that as it took me time to go through the exercise solutions/read the slides from the previous course.
 - I spent less than that.
 - I spent less than that but I wished we had more/clearer incentives to use this time.
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4. Suggestions for next year

a. I think the lectures/exercises/homework/organization of the course could be improved by:

b. Other remarks

- ...