

Ciudad Un	iversitaria	School of Forest Engineering and Natural Resources
Program	13IG – Degree in Forest Engineering	

Course number and name				
Number	135004105			
Name	Zoology and Forest Entomology			
Semester	S2 [(February-June)]			

Credits and contact hours					
ECTS Credits	6				
Contact hours	60				

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Specific course information

Description of course content

Principles of systematics and taxonomy. Invertebrates: morphology, taxonomy and biology of the main groups related to forestry.

Vertebrates: natural history, morphology, taxonomy and biology of fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.

Recognition of species related to forestry. related to forestry.

Morphology and biology of the different orders of insects.

Morphology, biology and recognition of the main insect species related to forestry.

List of topics to be covered

- Unit 1. Introduction to Zoology: general principles and zoogeography
- Unit 2. Systematics: Phyla and fundamentals
- Unit 3. Morphology, anatomy, physiology of insects
- Unit 4. Taxonomy of insects
- Unit 5. Apterygota and Palaeoptera
- Unit 6. Orthopteroidea
- Unit 7. Hemipteroidea
- Unit 8. Endopterygota I: Neuroptera, Coleoptera, Mecoptera and Lepidoptera
- Unit 9. Endopterygota II: Diptera, Trichoptera, Siphonaptera and Hymenoptera
- Unit 10. Forest entomology: forest pests and insect decline
- Unit 11. Non-insect invertebrates
- Unit 12. Vertebrate taxonomy and evolution
- Unit 13. Morphology, anatomy, physiology of vertebrates
- Unit 14. Agnatha, elasmobrachs and teleostei



Unit 15. Amphibians

Unit 16. Reptiles

Unit 17. Birds

Unit 18. Mammals

Lab. 1. Insect sampling techniques

Lab. 2. Morphology of an insect

Lab. 3. Apterygota and Palaeoptera

Lab. 4 Orthopteroidea

Lab. 5. Hemipteroidea

Lab. 6. Endopterigota I

Lab. 7. Endopterigota II

Lab. 8. Fish I

Lab. 9. Fish II

Lab. 10. Amphibians

Lab. 11. Reptiles

Lab. 12. Birds I

Lab. 13. Birds II

Lab. 14. Birds III

Lab. 15. Mammals

Prerequisites or co-requisites

Fundamentals of Biology, Geography, Ecology and Climatology.

Course category in the program

X R (required)

E (elective)

(elective courses may not be offered every year)

Specific for course objectives

Specific learning outcomes

LO5 - LO1 - LO249 — To be able to convey information, ideas, problems and solutions to both specialist and non-specialist audiences. specialist and non-specialist audiences LO339 — To acquire knowledge for the formation and conservation of zoological collections.

LO340 - - To know the main groups of micro-organisms that can be found in the natural environment and their characteristics.

LO341 - - To know specific applications of micro-organisms in environmental issues.

LO342 - - To acquire basic skills in the use of instruments and laboratory techniques for microorganisms.

Further reading and supplementary materials

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- Begon, M., & Townsend, C. R. (2021). Ecology: from individuals to ecosystems.
 John Wiley & Sons.
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Teaching methodology						
X lectures		problem solving sessions	_X_ collaborative actions	X_ laboratory sessions		
Other:						