UCLouvain

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2017

Introduction to biology

3 credits	30.0 h + 7.5 h	Q2

Teacher(s)	Dumont Patrick ;Nieberding Caroline ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	The cell and organelles How physics and chemistry are implicated in the structure and function of the cell. How cells are studied. The programme and the nucleus; the membranes and compartments; the energy and syntheses; the movement and cell organisation. The control of cell behaviour by extra- and intracellular signalling. The transmission of the programme. The integration of cells into a pluricellular organism. The differentiation and variety of cells ensure the diversity of organism's functions (protection, motility, inputs and outputs of metabolism, coordination, reproduction) The evolution guided the history of living things. The origin of life, the major kingdoms and their diversity, the mechanisms of evolution. The organisms are associated within the biosphere, with complex interactions. Biosphere and diversity of environment, ecosystems and communities (food networks, energy pyramid, biogeochemical cycles), populations (growth, regulation, human population).
Aims	The course consists in an initiation to fundamental concepts in biology, with examples of applications. It features the particularities of the approach in biology, facing the complexity and diversity of its objects. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Other infos	Prerequisites: none. Reference books: N.A. Campbell, Biologie, De Boeck Université, 1995. Teaching method: lectures with contribution of current media. Practical works: exercises will illustrate biological subjects, with organism observation (plant or animal), from whole organism to cellular structure under microscope. Other sessions will evoke the intervention of student own discipline (p.e. physics) in an area of biology (personal research and results presentation). Evaluation: oral examination with written preparation.
Faculty or entity in charge	sc

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)					
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims	
Master [60] in Environmental Science and Management	ENVI2M1	3		Q	
Master [120] in Environmental Science and Management	ENVI2M	3		0	
Bachelor in Mathematics	MATH1BA	3		Q.	
Minor in Scientific Culture	LCUSC100I	3		Q.	