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In view of the health context linked to the spread of the coronavirus, the methods of organisation and evaluation of the learning units could be adapted in different situations; these possible new methods have been - or will be - communicated by the teachers to the students.

4 credits	37.5 h + 7.5 h	Q2

Teacher(s)	Froidmont Eric ;			
Language :	French			
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve			
Main themes	Concepts presented during the course: - basic concepts in animal nutrition ; - formulation of equilibrated and optimized rations for the productive livestock ; - the concept of animal production chains ; - herd management practices ; - the impact of zootechnical measures on the quality of foods of animal origin; - the influence of the production patterns on the animal effluents.			
Aims	<ul> <li>a. Contribution de l'activité au référentiel AA (AA du programme)</li> <li>1.1 è1.4 ; 2.1 è2.3 ; 4.1 ; 4.2 ; 4.5 ; 4.7 ; 6.1 ; 6.2 ; 6.4 ; 6.5.</li> <li>b. Formulation spécifique pour cette activité des AA du programme</li> <li>At the end of the course, the student will be able: <ul> <li>to use a well-assimilated scientific background to manage the formulation of equilibrated and optimized rations for the productive livestock ;</li> <li>to put in force a formulation procedure adapted to any specific case ;</li> </ul> </li> <li>to describe the major animal production chains ; <ul> <li>to have a general view and a critical opinion on any herd managing practice ;</li> <li>to put the animal production activities in a sustainability perspective ;</li> <li>to put in force an approach aiming at analyzing a complex process and at providing concrete proposals for its improvement ;</li> <li>to communicate clear-cut solutions to a complex question, on the basis of a sound analysis of it.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Written examination comprising questions evaluating (1) the knowledge acquired, (2) the approach developed to solve a complex problem and (3) the ability to propose practical and optimized rations. Evaluation of the active participation in the visits of production plants. Evaluation of the written report, the oral presentation and the oral defence related to a specific topic submitted to each student.			
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. All the topics will be addressed through a coordinated set of oral courses, visits of production farms and associated structures, participation in scientific meetings, individual bibliographic searches and training sessions for the use of herd management softwares. Most of the activity requires the presence of the students.			
Content	<ol> <li>Ex cathedra course         <ul> <li>principles of nutrition</li> <li>feeding systems</li> <li>animal requirements and nutritional value of feeding stuffs</li> <li>principles of dairy production, as well as of bovine and porcine meat production</li> <li>relation between managing techniques and quality of the products</li> </ul> </li> <li>Visits of animal production farms, animal selection centres and feed production plants</li> </ol>			

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	3. Training in ration design and in the use of herd management softwares Individual research on a specific topic submitted to each student and delivery of a written report and of an presentation followed by answers to the questions of the teachers.		
Inline resources	Moodle		
Bibliography	Notes de cours données par les professeurs Livres de référence conseillés mais non imposés		
Other infos	This course can be given in English		
Faculty or entity in charge	AGRO		

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims		
Master [120] in Agricultural Bioengineering	BIRA2M	4		٩		