Genetics



lbio1221

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Language :	English			
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve			
Prerequisites	To follow this course, it is necessary to master the knowledge and skills developed in the courses LBIO1111 (cellular and molecular biology) et LANG1861 (English reading and listening comprehension of scientific texts)			
Main themes	The introduction of the course aims at situating genetics and its importance in the global context of science and society. It is completed, at the end of the teaching period, with a debate on a theme related to the course, chosen by the students and prepared by the constitution of a portfolio of articles.  The study of genetics is considered at two levels of organization of life. At the individual level, the general laws of gene transfer, their application to particular cases and exceptions are outlined. At the population level, the study focuses on variations in genetic characteristics.			
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to:  This activity aims at: - Situating genetics in the global context of science and society;  - Knowing and understanding the mechanisms governing the transmission of genes from one generation to the next and the genetic variations occurring in populations of individuals; - Being able to solve exercises related to the topics mentioned above.			
Evaluation methods	Written examination on theory and exercises. The students can write their answers in French or in English.			
Content	Content 1. Genetics and the organism 2. Classical genetics. 2.1 Patterns of inheritance (laws of Mendel). 2.2 Chromosomal basis of heredity. 2.3 Extensions of Mendelian heredity (incomplete dominance, codominance, lethal alleles, multiple alleles, gene interactions). 2.4 Gene linkage and genetic mapping 3. Overview of genomics 4. Population genetics. 3.1 Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium. 3.2 Variations in populations. Method Theoretical classes and exercises. Debate on a selected topic linking genetics and society.			
Other infos	Pre-requisite: cell biology class. Thorough knowledge of the mother language, rigor, ability to observe, analyse, synthesise, curiosity, imagination, motivation.  Written support: books, overhead transparencies, portfolio of reading material.			
Faculty or entity in charge	BIOL			

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)					
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes	
Minor in Scientific Culture	MINCULTS	2		Q	
Bachelor in Biology	BIOL1BA	2		٩	
Minor in Biology	MINBIOL	2		٩	