

## Lacustrine Systems (C004493)

**Course size** *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

**Credits 4.0** **Study time 120 h**

**Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2024-2025**

A (semester 2) English Gent peer teaching

**Lecturers in academic year 2024-2025**

Vyverman, Wim WE11 lecturer-in-charge  
Verleyen, Elie WE11 co-lecturer

**Offered in the following programmes in 2024-2025**

|   | crdts | offering |
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| <a href="#">Master of Science in Marine and Lacustrine Science and Management</a> | 4     | A        |

**Teaching languages**

English

**Keywords**

Inland aquatic ecosystems, advanced limnology, structure and ecosystem functioning, aquatic biodiversity and conservation.

**Position of the course**

This course provides advanced insights into the physical-chemical and biological characteristics of inland aquatic ecosystems, their function, evolutionary history and management.

**Contents**

Physical and chemical limnology, community ecology, evolutionary history of selected lake biota, climate and environmental change, conservation, exploitation and management.

**Initial competences**

Introductory courses chemistry, physics, limnology, ecology and biodiversity.

**Final competences**

- 1 Students have advanced understanding of the functioning of inland aquatic ecosystems and the evolution of their biota.
- 2 Students are able to write a literature overview of a topic related to studying lacustrine systems.
- 3 Students are able to give a short lecture on a topic in the field of limnology for their peers

**Conditions for credit contract**

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

**Conditions for exam contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

**Teaching methods**

Independent work, Peer teaching

**Extra information on the teaching methods**

interactive discussion after the microteaching lectures

**Study material**

Type: Handouts

Name: Lacustrine systems

Indicative price: € 5

Optional: no

Language : English  
Oldest Usable Edition : 2023  
Available on Ufora : Yes  
Online Available : No  
Available in the Library : No  
Available through Student Association : No  
Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : one-time  
Usability and Lifetime within the Study Programme : one-time  
Usability and Lifetime after the Study Programme : occasionally

## **References**

### **Course content-related study coaching**

Students can ask questions after making an appointment with the lecturers. Questions can also be asked during contact moments of assignments.

### **Assessment moments**

end-of-term assessment

### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period**

Participation, Presentation, Written assessment, Assignment

### **Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period**

Written assessment, Assignment

### **Examination methods in case of permanent assessment**

### **Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment**

not applicable

### **Extra information on the examination methods**

Students will be evaluated based on (i) a written state-of-the-art of a topic in limnological research, (ii) a lecture on this topic given to their peers, (iii) an interactive discussion after the lecture, and (iv) their participation in the discussions after the microteaching lectures of their peers.

### **Calculation of the examination mark**

The final exam score comprises the evaluation of the written state-of-the-art (40%), the microteaching lecture (20%), the questions & answer session after the lecture (20%), and the participation during the Q&A session following the presentations given by the other students (20% of the final score).