

# Course Specifications

Valid in the academic year 2023-2024

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## Lacustrine Systems (C002493)

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

Credits 3.0 Study time 90 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2023-2024

A (semester 2) English Gent lecture 15.0h

Lecturers in academic year 2023-2024

Vyverman, WimWE11lecturer-in-chargeVerleyen, ElieWE11co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2023-2024

Master of Science in Marine and Lacustrine Science and Management 3 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 and design a research proposal for obtaining a PhD scholarship on 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 micro teachinglectures
Didactic tools and methods can change in response to measures taken to reduce
the spread of COVID19

## Learning materials and price

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Scientific publications from international peer-reviewed journals and specialised handbooks.

#### 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 lecturs 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).

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