

Module title		Abbreviation
The Fauna of Germany		07-4A4FAU-262-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
holder of the Chair of Animal Ecology and Tropical Biology		Faculty of Biology
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
7	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	undergraduate	Admission prerequisite to assessment: Regular participation in the excursions and exercises; Admission to the examination (NUM) is not automatic upon registration, the prerequisite for admission to the examination is regular attendance (at least 80% attendance) at the excursions (B/NB) and the exercises, as well as passing the exercises set there, amounting to approx. 25-30 hours (B/NB).
Contents		
In this module, students will acquire an overview of selected groups of animals to be found in Central Europe. They will acquire a fundamental knowledge of the systematics and taxonomy of these animals and will practise identifying species, using specimens of animals. Selection of specimens will be taxon-specific and will represent specific habitats or lifestyles. Exercises in a variety of habitats will provide students with an opportunity to consolidate the knowledge and skills they acquired in the lab by identifying living specimens including their ecology and behavioural biology.		
Intended learning outcomes		
Students possess species identification skills. They know how to taxonomically classify selected representatives of the indigenous fauna (vertebrates, invertebrates) and use identification keys. They are familiar with selected Central European habitats as well as their faunas and phenology. On the basis of the morphology and habitats of species, students are able to predict the biology and ecology of these species as well as, where applicable, to predict whether they function as indicators and are of conservation concern.		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
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Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
written examination (approx. 45 minutes) and practical identification assignment (approx. 45 minutes), weighted 1:1 Assessment offered: Once a year, summer semester creditable for bonus		
Allocation of places		
180 yes Should the number of applications exceed the number of available places, places will be allocated as follows: Students of the Bachelor's degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 180 ECTS credits will be given preferential consideration. Should the module be used in other subjects, there will be two quotas: 95% of places will be allocated to students of the Bachelor's degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 180 ECTS credits and 5% of places (a minimum of one place in total) will be allocated to students of the Bachelor's degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 60 ECTS credits and to students of the Bachelor's degree subjects Computational Mathematics and Mathematik (Mathematics), each with 180 ECTS credits, as part of the application-oriented subject Biology (as well as potentially to students of other 'importing' subjects). Should the number of places available in one quota exceed the number of applications, the remaining places will be allocated to applicants from the other quota. Should there be, within one module component, several courses with a restricted number of places, there will be a uniform regulation for the courses of one module component. In this case, places on all courses of a module component that are concerned will be allocated in the same procedure. In this procedure, applicants who already have successfully completed at least one other module component of the respective module will be given preferential consideration.		

A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated as they become available.

Selection process group 1 (95%): Places will primarily be allocated according to the applicants' previous academic achievements. For this purpose, applicants will be ranked according to the number of ECTS credits they have achieved and their average grade of all assessments taken during their studies or of all module components in the subject of Biologie (Biology) (excluding Chemie (Chemistry), Physik (Physics), Mathematik (Mathematics)) at the time of application. This will be done as follows: First, applicants will be ranked, firstly, according to their average grade weighted according to the number of ECTS credits (qualitative ranking) and, secondly, according to their total number of ECTS credits achieved (quantitative ranking). The applicants' position in a third ranking will be calculated as the sum of these two rankings, and places will be allocated according to this third ranking. Among applicants with the same ranking, places will be allocated according to the qualitative ranking or otherwise by lot.

Selection process group 2 (5%): Places will be allocated according to the following quotas: Quota 1 (50 % of places): total number of ECTS credits already achieved in modules/module components of the Faculty of Biology; among applicants with the same number of ECTS credits achieved, places will be allocated by lot. Quota 2 (25 % of places): number of subject semesters of the respective applicant; among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. Quota 3 (25 % of places): lottery.

Should the module be used only in the Bachelor's degree subject Biologie (Biology) with 180 ECTS credits, places will be allocated according to the selection process of group 1.

Additional information

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Workload

210 h

Teaching cycle

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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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Module appears in

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