

Module description

Module title					Abbreviation
Capstone Preparation Module					07-MGCS-CPM-252-m01
Module coordinator				Module offered by	I.
Dean of the Faculty of Biology				Faculty of Biology	
ECTS	Meth	Method of grading Only after succ. co		mpl. of module(s)	
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Duration		Module level	Other prerequisites		
1 semester		graduate			
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Contents

The module will include workshops, lectures and seminars on:

- Challenge based learning
- Transdisciplinary collaboration Stakeholder communication Sustainable and inclusive cities Sustainable development goals
- Cross thematic sessions on: Water / Food / Life and Health / Energy Research design and methodology
- Management skills (e.g. project management, conflict management)

Intended learning outcomes

The high-level aim of the Capstone preparation module is for students to practice working on real-world challenges. Students work on existing challenges around a local area of one of the alliance cities. They collaborate in a transdisciplinary team by working together with external stakeholders related to two Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's). At least SDG 11 is being addressed; make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. Each team can select an additional SDG that is relevant to their specific challenge.

The on-site and situated learning experience that the Capstone preparation module provides, gives students an opportunity to apply the knowledge learned in previous phases to real-world challenges.

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Module taught in: English

Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

Portfolio (10 to 15 written or oral assessments, each 5 to 10 pages or 10 to 15 minutes)

Oral examinations can also be held as group examinations. The examination time will be determined according to the number of participants, with the specified time frame of 10 to 15 minutes being applied per candidate. Language of assessment: English

Allocation of places

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Additional information

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Workload

150 h

Teaching cycle

Teaching cycle: every semester

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

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Module appears in

Master's degree (1 major) Global Challenges for Sustainability (2025)

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