Module title
Animal Ecology and Tropical Biology F2 (Practical Course and Seminar 2)

Abbreviation
07-MS1TÖF2-102-m01

Module coordinator
holder of the Chair of Animal Ecology and Tropical Biology

Module offered by
Faculty of Biology

ECTS
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Method of grading
Only after succ. compl. of module(s)

Duration
1 semester

Module level
graduate

Other prerequisites
Admission prerequisite to assessment: regular attendance of lab course and successful completion of the respective exercises as specified at the beginning of the course.

Contents
In the F2 practical course, students will explore a scientific question as independently as possible. They will develop hypotheses, prepare a work schedule, collect data, perform experiments in the field, greenhouse or laboratory and will statistically analyse data. Students will document the results of their work in a log similar to a short scientific paper, including an introduction, material and methods, findings and a discussion of these. Students will also be required to present their findings during a wrap-up seminar. The various research groups at the Chair of Animal Ecology and Tropical Biology offer a wide variety of opportunities for students to complete an F2 practical course in Germany, another country in Europe or in the tropics. F2 practical courses may be completed in the context of an ongoing research project of the Institute or in cooperation with other institutions. For more detailed information on the F2 practical course as well as current topics or appointments for consultations, please refer to WueCampus, check out the notice board of the Chair or contact the research groups directly.

Intended learning outcomes
Students have gained knowledge on experimental setups and methods used in the fields of animal ecology and tropical ecology. They are qualified to design scientific research and are able to collect data and interpret them statistically. They have developed knowledge and skills that allow them to set up a scientific project for their Master’s thesis.

Courses
S + P (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)

Method of assessment
Students will be informed about the length and scope of the assessment prior to the course. Usually, one of the following options will be chosen: a) written examination (30 to 60 minutes, including multiple choice questions) or b) log (approx. 10 to 30 pages) or c) oral examination of one candidate each (30 to 60 minutes) or d) oral examination in groups of up to 3 candidates (approx. 30 to 60 minutes) or e) presentation (20 to 45 minutes)

Allocation of places
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Additional information
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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)
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Module appears in
Master's degree (1 major) Biology (2011)
Master's degree (1 major) Biology (2010)
Master's degree (1 major) Biology (2014)