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Wildlife ecology 780 (NLB 780)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

Module credits 10.00

Programmes BScHons Wildlife Management

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week, 2 practicals per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Zoology and Entomology

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Research in wildlife management focuses on gaining a better understanding of patterns of animal distribution, abundance, and diversity, and implementation of scientifically sound strategies for sustainable management and conservation of wildlife populations. This module will develop an in-depth understanding of core wildlife management concepts with a focus on population characteristics, the density concept, mortality, natality, life tables, population growth, harvesting quotas, population regulation, population structure, dispersal, dispersion, aggregation, isolation and territoriality, competition and predator-prey relationships. This module will also explore new ideas, and advanced research methods to evaluate ecological data in the context of wildlife ecology.

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