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Animal breeding 411 (TLR 411)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

Module credits 12.00

Programmes BScAgric Animal Science

Prerequisites TLR 320 and simultaneously register for GVK 420, PVK420, KVK420

Contact time 2 lectures per week, 1 practical per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Animal and Wildlife Sciences

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Components of animal performance. Sources of variation, population parameters and the estimation thereof. Introduction to matrix algebra for application in animal breeding. Selection indices theory. Statistical models in estimation of breeding values. Application of breeding values and prerequisites for accuracy. Breeding and selection for reproduction and growth. Principles of QTLs.

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