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Community ecology 353 (ZEN 353)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	18.00
Programmes	BSc Ecology BSc Entomology BSc Environmental Sciences BSc Genetics BSc Plant Science BSc Zoology
Service modules	Faculty of Education
Prerequisites	ZEN 351 (50%) (Note: Prerequisite not applicable to students enrolled for a dual major in Zoology and Plant Science).
Contact time	2 practicals per week, 4 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Zoology and Entomology
Period of presentation	Quarter 4

Module content

The scientific approach; characteristics of the community; the community as a superorganism; community changes; competition as a factor determining community structure; disturbance as a determinant of community structure; community stability; macroecological environmental gradients and communities. A field trip will be conducted during the September vacation to the Sani Pass region of the Maloti-Drakensberg Mountains.

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