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Animal science 210 (VKU 210)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	12.00
Programmes	BVeterinary Science Veterinary Science
Service modules	Faculty of Veterinary Science
Contact time	2 lectures per week, 1 practical per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Animal and Wildlife Sciences
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Origin and domestication of farm and companion animals. The ecological environment in which animal production and development is practised. Animal ecological factors that influence regional classification. Livestock species, breeds and breed characterisation and genetic variation. Basic principles of nutrition, physiology, breeding and production. Applied principles of livestock production, production management and systems (large livestock, small stock, pigs and poultry), organisation of the livestock industry and relevant legislation. Animal handling. Practical work includes identification and classification of different breeds of livestock, as well as the general care and handling of farm stock.

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