Research Project 891 (ZEN 891)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	120.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Academic organisation	Zoology and Entomology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Research projects may be based either on fieldwork, laboratory work, experiments or the analysis of existing data sets. This decision must be taken in consultation with the candidate's designated project supervisor. The choice of project topic will be determined to a very large extent by the time available for data collection and analysis. Students should select and approach a potential supervisor based on their own interests and that of the supervisors. A list of projects may be made available, although the students may choose their own project as long as a supervisor agrees to it. Joint supervision of projects by more than one person at the University, or one person from outside the University, is also possible. The purpose of the research project is to provide students with a thorough grounding in the planning, execution, analysis and scientific writing stages of a research project. Students must complete the background reading, design the objectives and perform the observations and/or experiments pertaining to the chosen project, as well as the analysis and compilation of the results and discussion in the form of a scientific publication. The project should be formatted for submission to a scientific journal.