

Faculty of Civil and Environmental Engineering					
Study programme:	Environmental Protection	Degree level: Master's degree full-time/part-time programme:			
Specialization	Environmental Management	Diploma path: -			
Module name:	Landscape ecology				
Module type:	obligatory	Semester: 3	ECTS 2	Module ID: OK3030	
No. of hrs in semester:	L - 15	C - 0	LC- 0	P- 30	SW- 0 S- 0
Prerequisites:	<i>Ecology, Nature protection, Geobotany in environmental protection, Functions of geosystems</i>				
Teaching methods:	<i>lecture, project</i>	Assessment:	<i>Evaluation must be relevant to the intended learning outcomes</i>		
		lecture - colloquium; project - completion and evaluation of projects			
Aims and objectives:	<i>Knowledge on the relationships between the different components of the landscape. Knowledge on the functions, structure and evolution of the landscape and its impact on populations of living organisms. Ability to analyze diversity, structure and landscape linkages. Skills of evaluation of impact of landscape structure on species populations and valuable natural elements. Ability to identify the needs of management and the protection of the landscape.</i>				
Module content:	<i>Elements of the landscape, geo-components, geo-complexes, natural spatial units and its mutual relationships. Model of patches, corridors and landscape backgrounds (matrixes). The functioning of ecological corridors. Biogeographic theory of islands, habitat islands, the concept of metapopulation. The functioning of the habitat patches of different size and shape. Boundaries and barriers in the landscape. Influence of the spatial structure of the landscape on the functioning of plant and animal populations. Transformation and evolution of the landscape. Methods of the analysis of the spatial pattern of the landscape.</i>				
Learning outcomes	<i>Write min. 4, max. 8 learning outcomes in the following order: knowledge - skills - competences. Each learning outcome must be verifiable.</i>			<i>Relevance to the programme learning outcomes</i>	
LO1	Student identifies and defines the relationships and dependencies between the different components of the landscape			K_W04, K_W14, K_W16	
LO2	Student knows and characterizes the functions, structure and processes of landscape evolution and their impact on populations of living organisms			K_W04, K_W14, K_W16	
LO3	Student analyzes the diversity, structure and landscape linkages			K_U01, K_U03, K_U22	
LO4	Student evaluates the influence of landscape structure on populations of species of special interest			K_U01, K_U03, K_U22	
LO5	Student evaluates the protection capacity of the populations in the landscape of complex structure			K_U01, K_U03, K_U22	
LO6	Student evaluates the protection needs of the landscape			K_U01, K_U03, K_U22	
LO7					
LO8					
	lecture attendance	15 x 1h		15	
	participation in project classes	15 x 2h		30	
	preparation and work on projects, reports, etc.	10 x 2h		20	

student workload	participation in student-teacher sessions related to the projects	5 x 1h	5
		TOTAL:	70
quantitative indicators	Student workload - activities that require direct teacher participation: 15h+30h+5h	50	ECTS 2
	Student workload - practical skills activities: 30h+20h	50	2
basic references:	<i>Forman T.T. Land Mosaics. The ecology of landscapes and regions. Cambridge Univ. Press, 1999</i>		
supplementary references:	1. Turner M.G., Gardner R.H., O'Neill R.V. <i>Landscape Ecology in Theory and Practice: Pattern and Process. Springer, 2001.</i> 2. Gutzwiller K.J. <i>Applying Landscape Ecology in Biological Conservation. Springer, 2002.</i>		
learning outcomes	<i>methods of assessing learning outcomes</i>	type of class (if more than one) where the outcomes are assessed	
LO1	evaluating the results of colloquium as well as the student's projects and reports	L, P	
LO2	evaluating the results of colloquium as well as the student's projects and reports	L, P	
LO3	evaluating the student's projects and reports	P	
LO4	evaluating the student's projects and reports	P	
LO5	evaluating the student's projects and reports	P	
LO6	evaluating the student's projects and reports	P	
LO7			
LO8			
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