

BioPlanet Doctoral School elective courses for the spring semester of the academic year 2022/2023

Course (Spring semester)	hrs	ECTS	notes	syllabus
Molecular Methods in Biology	30	2	1	EN
Principles of Paleobiology	15	1	2	EN
Biodiversity and Systematics	15	1	3	EN
Behavioural ecology	15	1	4	EN

General comments

Please find the list of elective courses scheduled for the spring semester of 2022/2023 academic year. For each course you will find the link to the syllabus, the number of ECTS credits, and the number of class hours. I encourage you to subscribe to the elective courses scheduled for the spring semester right now, using the excel files posted within each Team group set for the respective course. Knowing in advance how many students are going to attend the course is important for our planning.

We do not plan to run classes having fewer than 3 students. Such courses will be moved to the next year in the hope to find additional attendants among new students.

Please take into account how many ECTS credits you already have accumulated and how many more you need to obtain the 40 required by the end of your PhD studies. An important point to consider here is that most courses are held every two years, for two consecutive years of students together (to have a decent number of participants). So, for most of the elective courses in the current academic year, the next occasion to participate will be not the next academic year. Therefore, students of 3rd and 4th year of studies may not be able to enroll (and earn ECTS points) further than in the current year.

Notes

(1) *Molecular Methods in Biology* – This is the course that some of you might have attended already in 1st study year. If you did not, you may consider attending it now. The classes will be conducted on Teams. Subscribe to this elective course using the on-line excel form posted (alongside with syllabus) on the respective group on Teams. A schedule of classes will be provided on Teams at the beginning of Spring semester.

(2) *Principles of Paleobiology* – This is the course that some of you might have attended already in 1st study year. If you did not, you may consider attending it now. The classes will be conducted on Teams. Subscribe to this elective course using the on-line excel form posted (alongside with syllabus) on the respective group on Teams. A schedule of classes will be provided on Teams at the beginning of Spring semester.

(3) *Biodiversity and Systematics* – to be conducted on Teams. Subscribe to this elective course using the on-line excel form posted (alongside with syllabus) on the respective group on Teams. A schedule of classes will be provided on Teams at the beginning of Spring semester.

(4) *Behavioural Ecology* – to be conducted on Teams. Subscribe to this elective course using the on-line excel form posted (alongside with syllabus) on the respective group on Teams. A schedule of classes will be provided on Teams at the beginning of Spring semester.

The exact schedule of classes will be posted on the Teams platform for BioPlanet in late Jan/early Feb.