



Information about the subject

Degree: Bachelor of Degree in Marine Sciences

- Faculty: Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Experimental Sciences
- Code: 270222 Name: Tracers in Marine Sciences
- Credits: 6,00 ECTS Year: The course is not offered this academic year Semester: 1
- Module: Optional Itinerary: Ocean Dynamics
- Subject Matter: Tracers in Oceanography Type: Elective
- **Department:** Oceanography and Environment
- Type of learning: Classroom-based learning
- Languages in which it is taught:

Lecturer/-s:





Module organization

Optional Itinerary: Ocean Dynamics

Subject Matter	ECTS	Subject	ECTS	Year/semester
Dynamic Physical Oceanography	6,00	Dynamic Physical Oceanography	6,00	This elective is not offered in the academic year 24/25
Paleoceanography	6,00	Paleoceanography	6,00	This elective is not offered in the academic year 24/25
Mathematical Models	6,00	Mathematical Models	6,00	This elective is not offered in the academic year 24/25
Tracers in Oceanography	6,00	Tracers in Marine Sciences	6,00	This elective is not offered in the academic year 24/25
Atmosphere-Ocea n Interaction	6,00	Atmosphere-Ocean Interaction	6,00	0, 2, 3, 4/1

Recommended knowledge

None





Learning outcomes

At the end of the course, the student must be able to prove that he/she has acquired the following learning outcomes:

- R1 The student understands and recognizes the different tracers in oceanography.
- R2 The student understands and recognizes the different tracers in oceanography.
- R3 He designs and is capable of carrying out a field campaign to obtain current and fossil sediments.
- R4 The student applies the use of microfossils as tracers in the reconstruction of paleoenvironments in the coastal area.
- R5 The student analyses the results obtained and applies them in troubleshooting. The student develops a scientific paper.





Competencies

Depending on the learning outcomes, the competencies to which the subject contributes are (please score from 1 to 4, being 4 the highest score):

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CB2	Students are able to apply knowledge to their work in a professional way and have the competences enabling them to state and defend views and opinions as well as perform problem-solving tasks in their field of study.			x	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
CB4	Command of a foreign language			x	
CB5	Students develop the necessary learning skills to undertake further studies with a high level of autonomy.			x	

GENERAL			Weighting		
		1	2	3	4
CG1	Capacity to analyze and synthesize			X	
CG2	Capacity to organize and plan		x		
CG3	Mastering Spanish oral and written communication			x	
CG5	Knowing and applying Basic ITC skills related to marine science			x	
CG6	Capacity to manage information (capacity to look for and analyze information coming from different types of sources)		x		
CG7	Decision making			x	
CG8	Capacity to work in interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary team			x	
CG10	Critical and self-critical capacity			x	
CG11	Capacity to learn			x	-





CG12 Capacity to adapt to new situations	x	
CG16 Capacity to apply theoretical knowledge	x	
CG18 Sensibility to environmental issues.	x	

SPECIFIC Weighting 1 2 3 4 CE1 Knowing and understanding contents, principles and theories related Х to Oceanography CE2 Knowing basic sampling techniques of water column, organisms, Х sediment and sea-bottoms as well as basic techniques of dynamic and structural variable measurement CE4 Understanding laws regulating use of marine resources and X environment CE5 Applying marine environment use planning techniques as well as Х resource sustainable management CE6 Applying marine instrument techniques X CE7 Collecting, assessing, processing and interpreting oceanographic X data, following the most recent theories CE8 Identifying and analyzing new problems and proposing solution Х strategies CE9 Knowing how to carry out experiments and measurements both in Х the laboratory and during sample collection CE10 Knowing how to use planning, designing and implementing research Х tools while surveying and assessing results CE11 Knowing how to do fieldwork and laboratory experiments in a safe х and responsible way, promoting teamwork CE12 Describing, classifying and mapping sea bottoms and coastal areas X CE18 Practical experience of researching into marine climate Х CE19 Deeply understanding operating systems of maritime orientated Х companies, identifying their problems and proposing solutions





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CE22 Practical experience of methods of marine environmental impact assessment

Assessment system for the acquisition of competencies and grading system

Assessed learning outcomes	Granted percentage	Assessment method
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	50,00%	Written test with theoretical and practical questions
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	40,00%	Delivery of guided assignments, whose objectives and contents will be proposed by the teacher
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	10,00%	Oral presentation

Observations

MENTION OF DISTINCTION:

In accordance with the regulations governing the assessment and grading of subjects in force at UCV, the distinction of "Matrícula de Honor" (Honours with Distinction) may be awarded to students who have achieved a grade of 9.0 or higher. The number of "Matrículas de Honor" (Honours with Distinction) may not exceed five percent of the students enrolled in the group for the corresponding academic year, unless the number of enrolled students is fewer than 20, in which case a single "Matrícula de Honor" (Honours with 9 Distinction) may be awarded. Exceptionally, these distinctions may be assigned globally across different groups of the same subject. Nevertheless, the total number of distinctions awarded will be the same as if they were assigned by group, but they may be distributed among all students based on a common criterion, regardless of the group to which they belong. The criteria for awarding "Matrícula de Honor" (Honours with Distinction) will be determined according to the guidelines stipulated by the professor responsible for the course, as detailed in the "Observations" section of the evaluation system in the course guide.





Learning activities

The following methodologies will be used so that the students can achieve the learning outcomes of the subject:

- M1 Teacher presentation of contents, analysis of competences, explanation and in-class display of skills, abilities and knowledge.
- M2 Group work sessions supervised by the professor. Case studies, diagnostic tests, problems, field work, computer room, visits, data search, libraries, on-line, Internet, etc. Meaningful construction of knowledge through interaction and student activity.
- M3 Activities carried out in spaces with specialized equipment.
- M4 Supervised monographic sessions with shared participation.
- M5 Application of multidisciplinary knowledge.
- M6 Personalized and small group attention. Period of instruction and/or guidance carried out by a tutor to review and discuss materials and topics presented in classes, seminars, readings, papers, etc.
- M8 Set of oral and/or written tests used in initial, formative or additive assessment of the student.
- M9 Group preparation of readings, essays, problem-solving, seminars, papers, reports, etc. to be presented or submitted in theoretical, practical and/or small-group tutoring sessions. Work done on the university e-learning platform (www.plataforma.ucv.es)
- M10 Student's study: Individual preparation of readings, essays, problem-solving, seminars, papers, reports, etc. to be presented or submitted in theoretical, practical and/or small-group tutoring sessions. Work done on the university e-learning platform (www.plataforma.ucv.es).





IN-CLASS LEARNING ACTIVITIES

	LEARNING OUTCOMES	HOURS	ECTS
ON-CAMPUS CLASS	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	30,00	1,20
PRACTICAL CLASSES	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	10,00	0,40
LABORATORY ^{M3}	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	10,00	0,40
SEMINAR ^{M4}	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	3,00	0,12
GROUP PRESENTATION OF ASSIGNMENTS M5	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	2,00	0,08
TUTORIAL M6	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	3,00	0,12
ASSESSMENT ^{M8}	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	2,00	0,08
TOTAL		60,00	2,40

LEARNING ACTIVITIES OF AUTONOMOUS WORK

	LEARNING OUTCOMES	HOURS	ECTS
GROUP WORK	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	20,00	0,80
INDEPENDENT WORK M10	R1, R2, R3, R4, R5	70,00	2,80
TOTAL		90,00	3,60





Description of the contents

Description of the necessary contents to acquire the learning outcomes.

Theoretical contents:

Content block	Contents
CONTENTS	Main tracers in Oceanography: Radioactive tracers and
	fluorescent tracers.
	Tracers as markers of water masses.
	Microfossils as tracers.
	Calculation of diffusion coefficients from tracers.

Temporary organization of learning:

Block of content	Number of sessions	Hours
CONTENTS	30,00	60,00

References

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4.- David R. Turner, Keith A. Hunter. The biogeochemistry of iron in seawater, J. Wiley,, Chichester 2001.