



FACULTY OF SCIENCE

COURSE ANALYSIS

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Department of Biology
Education- Bachelor's and Master's
level

Main Teacher: Mikael Hedrén
Number of students: 5
Number of answers: 3
Grades: 5xG (satisfactory)

Course Analysis: Plant evolution and adaptation, BIOR77, vt 2020

Summary of the course evaluation

The students were reasonably well satisfied with the course, mean grade 4.33.

Comments from the teachers team

The course had to be adjusted to the Corona situation on short notice, just before the onset of the course. Most of the teaching was given on the Zoom platform. One microscopy exercise could still be conducted as self-study in the microscopy lab, and field exercises could still be given outdoor. One student had to hurry back to France and isolate herself at home, so for her we had to replace the IRL activities as well as we could. The students were somewhat less satisfied with the computer exercises, probably because some of the problems that appeared could not be solved online.

Evaluation and changes made since the previous course

The course differs from the course given in 2019, as we conducted a more comprehensive field experiment during two days at a site outside Lund to which the students could go themselves. We also used the data collect during the field study in subsequent computer analyses conducted over zoom. A few other studies were also conducted around the Ecology building

and in the Botanical garden and, overall, these parts of the course were much appreciated by the students.

Suggested changes for the next course

The course projects that run along the course had to be given as pure literature studies due to the Corona situation. Next year, we want to give more opportunities for practical experiments in the course projects, even if the Corona situation is still limiting our possibilities.

Regarding online teaching, we will need to break up lectures by more frequent short breaks. We will also include more opportunities for question time where various questions on the lectures and other parts of teaching could be discussed and explained more in-depth for those who want.

Other teachers involved in the course

Allan Rasmusson, Olivier Van Aken, Stefan Andersson, Nils Cronberg, Åsa Lankinen, Magne Friberg, Øystein Opedal, Torbjörn Tyler.