



Univerza v Mariboru

Fakulteta za naravoslovje
in matematiko

UČNI NAČRT PREDMETA / COURSE SYLLABUS

Predmet:	Izbrana poglavja o socialnih žuželkah
Course title:	Selected Topics in Social Insects

Študijski program in stopnja Study programme and level	Študijska smer Study field	Letnik Academic year	Semester Semester
Doktorski študij Ekološke znanosti, 3. stopnja		1. ali 2.; 1st or 2nd	1. 2. ali 3. ; 1st, 2nd or 3rd
Doctoral Study Ecological Sciences, 3rd degree			

Vrsta predmeta / Course type

Univerzitetna koda predmeta / University course code:

Predavanja Lectures	Seminar Seminar	Vaje Tutorial	Lab. vaje Laboratory work	Terenske vaje Field work	Samost. delo Individ. work	ECTS
5	5				140	5

Nosilec predmeta / Lecturer:

Jeziki / Predavanja / Lectures:
Languages: Vaje / Tutorial:

Pogoji za vključitev v delo oz. za opravljanje študijskih obveznosti:

Poznavanje entomologije na ravni drugostopenjskega programa

Prerequisites:

Knowledge of entomology at master level

Vsebina:

Obravnavana so izbrana poglavja iz naslednjih Sklopov:

- Klasifikacija žuželk in tipi postembrionalnega razvoja, značilnosti večjih redov žuželk.
- Definicije: kaste, evsocialnost, homeostaza, polietizem, polimorfizem pri čebelah, socialne žuželke, superorganizem.
- Medonosna čebela kot model socialne skupnosti žuželk: anatomija in fiziologija (zgradba in delovanje) telesa medonosne čebele, zgradba čebeljega gnezda, oblikovanje kast in diferenciacija osebkov, dejavnosti osebkov: delavk, matice, trotoev; letni razvojni

Content (Syllabus outline):

Selected topics in the following chapters are Discussed:

- Insect classification and types of post-embryonic development; characteristics of the major orders of insects.
- Definitions: caste, eusocial, homeostasis, polyethism, polymorphism as found in bees, social insects, superorganism,
- Honey bees as model of social insect: Anatomy and physiology of honey bee, nest architecture, caste development and differentiation, activities of workers, queens and drones, honey bee colony seasonal cycle.

ciklus čebelje družine.

- Reprodktivna citologija in partenogeneza, genetska struktura družine: paritveno vedenje, sestava poddružin čebelje družine; selekcija in vzreja: genetska in vedenjska variabilnost, odpornost na bolezni, biokemijska variabilnost.
- Dejavnosti in vedenje mednosne čebele: delitev dela, starost delavk in dejavnosti znotraj družine, komunikacija, izmenjava hrane, obramba družine, ropanje, čiščenje gnezda, pašne aktivnosti, rojenje. Brezmatične čebele.
- Čebelji feromoni. Gojitev čebel.
- Principi simbioze; mehanizmi patogeneze pri žuželkah – napadenost gostitelja, entomopatogene bakterije, virusi, plesni, paraziti; imunost gostitelja – kutikularna in crevesna bariera.

- Reproductive cytology and parthenogenesis, genetic organisation of colonies: mating behaviour, subfamily structure of colonies; selective breeding: genetic variability, behaviour variability, disease resistance, biochemical variability.

- Activities and behaviour of honey bees: division of labour, worker age and activities inside the hive, communication, food transmission, colony defense, robbing, nest cleaning, foraging, swarming. Queenless bees.
- Honeybee pheromones. Apiculture.
- Concepts of symbiosis; mechanisms of pathogenesis in insects - host invasion, entomopathogenic bacteria; viruses, fungi, parasites; host immunity - cuticle and gut barriers.

Temeljni literatura in viri / Readings:

- Zhanna Reznikova (2007). *Animal Intelligence: From Individual to Social Cognition*. 1st ed. Cambridge University Press
- Price, P. W. (2011). *Insect Ecology: Behavior, Populations and Communities*. Cambridge University Press
- Gregorc, A., (2002). *Medonosna čebela in osnove čebelarjenja*. Veterinarska fakulteta, Univ. Ljubljana.
- Gregorc, A., (2005). *Vzreja čebeljih matic (Apis mellifera carnica)*. Čebelarstva zveza Zgornje Gorenjske, Žirovnica.
- Veselič, Ž., Justinek, J., Šivic, F., Kandolf, A., Magdič, T. (2013). *Gozd in čebele : čebelarjenje v gozdovih*. Brdo pri Lukovici: Čebelarstva zveza Slovenije. Zavod za gozdove Slovenije.

Cilji in kompetence:

- Podrobno predstaviti znanja o fiziologiji, morfologiji in vedenju žuželk, s poudarkom na razumevanju čebelje družine kot modela
- Podati poglobljena znanja, potrebna za študij specifičnih področij socialnih žuželk
- Zagotoviti razumevanje fizioloških in patoloških procesov v čebelji družini in pri posameznem osebk
- Podrobno pokazati možna raziskovalna področja in interakcije med čebelami in vplivi okolja

Objectives and competences:

- To provide advanced knowledge in the physiology, morphology and behaviour of insects, particularly in relation to understand honeybee colony as a model
- To acquire advanced knowledge necessary to study specific fields in social insects
- To provide advanced understanding of the physiological and pathological processes in bee colony and in an individual bee
- To demonstrate in detail possible research fields and interaction between bees and environmental influences

Predvideni študijski rezultati:**Znanje in razumevanje:**

Po končanem študiju mora biti študent sposoben:

- Podrobno razumeti koncept klasifikacije žuželk, fiziologijo družine medonosne cebele in posameznega osebka
- Podrobno razumeti patogene in druge okoljske vplive
- Podrobno spoznati vidike vedenja, patologijo in rejo medonosne cebele
- Podrobno ugotoviti prednosti in slabosti adaptacijskih sistemov pri cebelah
- Podrobno razlikovati rase cebel ter primerjati njihov pomen za raziskave in cebelarsko prakso

Prenesljive/ključne spretnosti in drugi atributi:

Študenti se usposobijo:

- Uporabiti laboratorijske spretnosti, potrebne za samostojno reševanje raziskovalnih problemov in izvedbo poskusov
- Za uporabo vrhunske znanstvene literature pri predstavitvi in publiciranju lastnih izsledkov

Intended learning outcomes:**Knowledge and understanding:**

After taking this course the student should be able to:

- Acquire advanced concepts of insect classification, physiology of honey bee colony and individual bee
- Understand advanced pathogenic and other environmental influences
- Get advanced knowledge of aspects of honey bee behaviour, pathology and breeding
- Define in detail the strengths and weaknesses of bees adaptations systems
- Distinguish in detail bee races, and compare their importance in scientific research and in beekeeping practice

Transferable/Key Skills and other attributes:

Transferable/Key Skills and other attributes: Students qualify to:

- Use laboratory skills which are essential for an independent solving of research problems and experiments performance
- Use advanced scientific publications for presenting and publishing their work

Metode poučevanja in učenja:

- Predavanja
- Laboratorijske vaje

Learning and teaching methods:

- Lectures
- Laboratory excersises

Načini ocenjevanja:

- Kolovij
- Izpit

Delež (v %) /

Weight (in %)

Assessment:

- Kolovij	50%	- Partial exam
- Izpit	50%	- Exam

Reference nosilca / Lecturer's references:

1. DEVETAK, Dušan, OMERZU, Manja, CLOPTON, Richard E. Notes on the gregarines (Protozoa: Apicomplexa: Eugregarinorida) of insects in Slovenia. *Annales, Series historia naturalis*, ISSN 1408-533X, 2013, letn. 23, št. 1, str. 73-89, ilustr. [COBISS.SI-ID [20087304](#)]
2. DEVETAK, Dušan, PODLESNIK, Jan, KLOKOČOVNIK, Vesna, JANŽEKovič, Franc. Antlions (Insecta: Neuroptera: Myrmeleontidae) of Albania. *Turkish journal of zoology*, ISSN 1300-0179, 2013, vol. 37, iss. 3, str. 362-366, ilustr., doi: [10.3906/zoo-1209-23](#). [COBISS.SI-ID [19864328](#)], [JCR, SNIP, WoS do 16. 9. 2013: št.

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3. DEVETAK, Dušan. Substrate particle size-preference of wormlion *Vermileo vermileo* (Diptera: Vermileonidae) larvae and their interaction with antlions. *European Journal of Entomology*, ISSN 1210-5759, 2008, issue 4, vol. 105, str. 631-635, ilustr. [COBISS.SI-ID [16213768](#)], [JCR, SNIP, WoS do 11. 8. 2014: št. citativ (TC): 8, čistih citativ (CI): 8, normirano št. čistih citativ (NC): 7, [Scopus](#) do 9. 6. 2014: št. citativ (TC): 8, čistih citativ (CI): 8, normirano št. čistih citativ (NC): 7]