



Univerza v Mariboru

Fakulteta za naravoslovje
in matematiko

UČNI NAČRT PREDMETA / COURSE SYLLABUS

Predmet:	Izbrana poglavja iz ekologije
Course title:	Selected topics in Ecology

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.- 4.; 1st-4th
Doctoral Study Ecological Sciences, 3rd cycle			

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
15	3		6	6	150	6

Nosilec predmeta / Lecturer:

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

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

Ni pogojev. Priporočljivo za študente brez biološkega/ekološkega predznanja.

Prerequisites:

None. Advised for students without biological/ecological background.

Vsebina:

- Spoznavanje izbranih ekoloških konceptov
- Organizmi v okolju (pogoji in viri)
- Pregled zakonitosti populacijske ekologije
- Ekološke aplikacije na nivoju organizma, vrste in populacije
- Odnosi med vrstami (kompeticija, plenilstvo, parazitizem, simbioze,...)

Content (Syllabus outline):

- Familiarizing with selected ecological concepts
- Organisms in their environments (conditions and resources)
- Review of principles in population ecology
- Ecological applications at the level of organism, species and population
- Species interactions (competition,

- Združbe in ekosistemi

- predation, parasitism, symbiosis,...)
- Communities and ecosystem

Temeljni literatura in viri / Readings:

Temeljna literatura / Basic readings:

Begon, M., Townsend, C. R. in Harper, J. L. (2021). *Ecology: From Individuals to Ecosystems* (5. izd.). Wiley & Sons. (ali druge izdaje/ or other editions)

Dodatna literatura / Additional Readings:

Horvat, E., & Šajna, N. (2021). Exploring the impact of a non-native seed predator on the seed germination of its non-native host. *Biological invasions*, 23(12), 3703–3717.
doi:10.1007/s10530-021-02610-8

Šajna, N., Urek, T., Kušar, P., & Šipek, M. (2023). The importance of thermally abnormal waters for bioinvasions - a case study of *Pistia stratiotes*. *Diversity*, 15(3, [] 421), 22.
doi:10.3390/d15030421

Cain, M. L., Bowman, W. D., & Hacker, S. D. (2014). *Ecology* (3rd ed., str. XXVI, 596, 96). Sinauer Associates.

Cilji in kompetence:

- Primerjava vpliva abiotičnih in biotičnih dejavnikov na organizme, združbe in ekosisteme.
- Pojasnitev osnovnih pravil, konceptov in teorij v ekologiji.
- Analiziranje osnovnih relacij med organizmi in okoljem .
- Pojasnitev zakonitosti v ekologiji populacij.

Objectives and competences:

- Comparison of impact of abiotic and biotic environmental factors on organisms, communities, and ecosystems.
- Explanation of the basic ecological laws, concepts and theories.
- Analysis of the basic relations between the individual and its environment
- Explanation of principles in population ecology.

Predvideni študijski rezultati:

Študenti bodo sposobni:

- diskutirati ekološke zakonitosti;
- primerjati glavne dejavnike v okolju;
- pojasniti koncept o pogojih in virih za preživetje in sobivanje ter poznavanje s tem povezanih prilagoditev osebkov in medvrstnih odnosov;
- diskutirati primere ekoloških raziskav na nivoju organizma, na nivoju ene vrste (avteologija), na nivojih populacije, združbe in ekosistema.

Intended learning outcomes:

Students will be able to:

- discuss rules in ecology;
- compare the main factors in an environment;
- explain the concept about conditions and resources for survival and coexistence;
- of adaptations and interspecific relationships;
- discuss ecological investigations on the level of individual, single species, population, community and ecosystem studies.

Metode poučevanja in učenja:

- Predavanja
- Seminar
- Terenske vaje
- Laboratorijske vaje
- Individualno delo

Learning and teaching methods:

- Lectures
- Seminar
- Field work
- Laboratory work
- Individual work

Delež (v %) /

Načini ocenjevanja:

Weight (in %)

Assessment:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ustni izpit 	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral exam
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Reference nosilca / Lecturer's references:

- Horvat, E., Šipek, M., & Šajna, N. (2024). Urban hedges facilitate spontaneous woody plants. *Urban Forestry and Urban Greening*, 96(128336), 11. <https://dk.um.si/lzpisGradiva.php?id=88564>
- Šipek, M., Horvat, E., & Šajna, N. (2023). Eastward range expansion of the ragweed leaf beetle (*Ophraella communa* LeSage, 1986) (Coleoptera, Chrysomelidae) in Slovenia. *BioInvasions Records*, 12(2), 615–623. <https://dk.um.si/lzpisGradiva.php?id=87570>
- Šipek, M., & Šajna, N. (2024). Lowland forest fragment characteristics and anthropogenic disturbances determine alien plant species richness and composition. *Biological Invasions*, 26(5), 1595–1614. <https://dk.um.si/lzpisGradiva.php?id=91122>