Study Programme: BSc in Biology

Degree level: Bachelor degree

Course Title: Plant Anatomy and Morphology

Professor: dr Jadranka Luković

Required/Elective Course: Recquired Course

Number of ECTS: 8

Prerequisites: -

Course Objective: Getting knowledge about morphological and anatomical structure of plant organs, as well as about plant reproduction

Course Outcome: Knowledge from this field is the basis for other botanical disciplines. Knowledge of morphological and anatomical characteristics of plants gives basis for better understanding of:

- structure and function of plant organs, mutual structural-functional compliance of plant organs and organizm in a whole.
- compliance of plant structure and environmental conditions
- compliance of plant structure and its systematic position
- types of plant reproduction and life cycles

Course Content:

Theoretical part – Histology – tissue classification. Organography. Anatomical structure of vegetative organs (root, stem, leaf) and their metamorphoses. Anatomical structure of reproductive organs: flower, seed and fruit. Morphological structure of plants. Embryo. Morphology of vegetative organs and their metamorphoses. Types of plant reproduction: asexual and sexual, alternation of generations. Life cycles of mosses and ferns. Life cycle of seed plants. Reproduction of angiosperms – flower, inflorescences, pollination, fertilization, formation of seed and fruit, fruit classification. Seed and fruit dispersion.

Practical part – Apical and lateral meristems. Permanent tissues: paremchyma, mechanical, dermal, vascular and secretory tissues. Primary and secondary structure of root and stem. Stem structure: mosses, clubmoss, horsetails, ferns, gymnosperms and angiosperms. Stem structure of aquatic plants. Leaf anatomical structure: ferns, gymnosperms, dicots and monocots. The structure of heliomorphic and sciomorphic leaves. The structure of xeromorphic and hidromorphic leaves. Anatomical structure of sepal, petal, anther and ovary, seed coat and pericarp. Dicot and monocot embryo. Shoot morphology (stem and leaf). Shoot metamorphoses. Root morphology. Root metamorphoses. Morphology of reproductive organs. Flower (parts, flower formulas and diagrams). Inflorescences (types, classification). Seed and fruit (parts, classification).

Reading List:

Tatic, B., Petkovic, B., (1998): Morfologija biljaka. Zavod za udzbenike i nastavna sredstva, Beograd.

Merkulov, Lj., Lukovic, J. (2003): Botanika-Anatomija i morfologija biljaka. Prirodno-matematicki fakultet, Novi Sad.

Dickison C. W. (2000): Integrative Plant Anatomy, Harcourt academic press, New York, London.

Fahn, A. (1990): Plant Anatomy. Pergamon Press. London.

Total hours:						
Lectures: 3	Practicals: 3	Other:	Studen	t research		
			work:			
Methods of instruction: lectures exercises consultations						

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Assessment (maximum number of points 100)						
Requirements	points	Final exam	points			
Active participation in lectures	-	Test	50			
Active participation in practicals	-	Practical exam	20			
Colloquia	30					
Pre-exam testing						