Level: master

Course title: Applied soil science

Status: elective

ECTS: 6

Requirements: none

Learning objectives

The aim of this course is to understand the principles of soil functioning based on the relationships between factors, processes and properties of soils. Basic concepts of land and soil management, soil erosion processes and mechanisms, water and wind erosion, erosion prevention and control measures.

Learning outcomes

After successfully completing the course the students will be able to:

Integrate the basic disciplines to analyze and diagnose soil processes and the functioning of soils, to better understand the impact of man on them;

To integrate the principles of soil functioning to understand the soil in the landscape and ecosystem.

Syllabus

Theoretical instruction

Soil forming processes and current pedological processes: diagnosis of the current processes, soil evolution, geography of major soil types: recognition of land in the international WRB system, study the functioning of major soil types in their natural ecosystems and in ecosystems modified by man.

Soil management and conservation, soil remediation technologies, soil bioengineering, treatment technologies for contaminated soil.

Practical instruction

Field visit (soil profile; sampling and processing), mapping of different soil types.

Weekly teaching load				Other:
Lectures:	Exercises:	Other forms of	Student research:	
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