

Información del Plan Docente

Academic Year	2016/17
Academic center	201 - Escuela Politécnica Superior
Degree	437 - Degree in Rural and Agri-Food Engineering
ECTS	6.0
Course	2
Period	Second semester
Subject Type	Compulsory
Module	---

1.Basic info**1.1.Recommendations to take this course****1.2.Activities and key dates for the course****2.Initiation****2.1.Learning outcomes that define the subject****2.2.Introduction****3.Context and competences****3.1.Goals****3.2.Context and meaning of the subject in the degree****3.3.Competences****3.4.Importance of learning outcomes****4.Evaluation****5.Activities and resources****5.1.General methodological presentation**

This course develops knowledge of plant integrated responses to environmental characteristics and plant production. Special emphasis will be placed on agricultural systems, environmental determinants and production techniques including irrigation and fertilization practices.

5.2.Learning activities

Theoretical dissertation, practical sessions, written coursework, and formal examinations related to plant production.

5.3.Program

Programme of theory and practicals

1.- Module I: Agricultural systems.

I.1 Agricultural systems: definitions

Formative activity: Lectures

I.2 Decision-making in agriculture

Formative activity: Lectures

I.3 Rotations in agriculture

Formative activity: Lectures and problem-solving and case studies

2.- Module II: Environmental determinants.

II.1 Temperature

Formative activity: Lectures and laboratory practicals

II.2 Radiation

Formative activity: Lectures and problem-solving and case studies

II.3 Water and irrigation

Formative activity: Lectures and problem-solving and case studies

II.4 Wind

Formative activity: Lectures

II.5 Soil

Formative activity: Lectures and laboratory practicals

3.- Module III. Production techniques.

III.1 Sowing

Formative activity: Lectures and laboratory practicals

III.2 Fertilization

Formative activity: Lectures and laboratory practicals

Formative activity: Lectures

Field trips are considered formative activities for all modules and 10 hours of instruction are dedicated to them with visits of 5 hours to each of two farms, although travelling time will mean that each visit is a whole-day activity.

5.4 Planning and scheduling

Hours	5												5		
Assesment tasks														2	
Individual work	5	4	5	5	5	5	8	5	5	8	5	5	4	6	7

5.5.Bibliography and recomended resources

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