

## 60570 - Biotechnology in plant and animal breeding

### Syllabus Information

**Academic Year:** 2019/20

**Subject:** 60570 - Biotechnology in plant and animal breeding

**Faculty / School:** 201 - Escuela Politécnica Superior

**Degree:** 546 - Master in Agricultural Engineering

**ECTS:** 6.0

**Year:** 2

**Semester:** First semester

**Subject Type:** Compulsory

**Module:** ---

### 1.General information

#### 1.1.Aims of the course

#### 1.2.Context and importance of this course in the degree

#### 1.3.Recommendations to take this course

### 2.Learning goals

#### 2.1.Competences

#### 2.2.Learning goals

#### 2.3.Importance of learning goals

### 3.Assessment (1st and 2nd call)

#### 3.1.Assessment tasks (description of tasks, marking system and assessment criteria)

### 4.Methodology, learning tasks, syllabus and resources

#### 4.1.Methodological overview

The methodology followed in this course is oriented towards achievement of the learning objectives. A wide range of teaching and learning tasks are implemented, such as theory sessions, practice sessions and workshops.

#### 4.2.Learning tasks

The course includes the following learning tasks:

- Theory sessions
- Practice sessions
- Workshops

#### 4.3.Syllabus

The course will address the following topics:

##### **Topic 1. Introduction to animal breeding**

- 1.1. Objectives of animal breeding
- 1.2. Evolution of genetics and its application to animal science
- 1.3. Genomics and animal breeding

**Topic 2. Inheritance of major traits in animal science**

- 2.1. Examples of simple allelic series
- 2.2. Examples of multiple allelic series
- 2.3. Sex-linked inheritance
- 2.4. Examples of genetic anomalies

**Topic 3. Fundamentals of population genetics**

- 3.1. Genetic characterization of a population
- 3.2. Variation of allele frequencies under selection

**Topic 4. Inheritance of polygenic traits**

- 4.1. Variables to describe polygenic traits
- 4.2. Determinism in polygenic traits
- 4.3. Genetic variables of polygenic traits

**Topic 5. Basic principles on selection within a breed**

- 5.1. Concept of breed in animal production
- 5.2. Breeds in Spain
- 5.3. Objectives and criteria for selection
- 5.4. Selecting breeding

**Topic 6. Estimates of additive value or indexation**

- 6.1. Characterization of genetic indexes
- 6.2. Estimation of the elemental index
- 6.3. Estimation of the synthetic index

**Topic 7. Application of genetic indexes**

- 7.1. Cattle application
- 7.2. Pigs application
- 7.3. Birds application

**Topic 8. Expected Progeny Differences**

- 8.1. Relationship between genetic superiority and expected progeny differences
- 8.2. Parameters of expected progeny differences per year
- 8.3. Response to selection

**Topic 9. Method of selection**

- 9.1. Genomic selection
- 9.2. Selection by ancestors
- 9.3. Individual selection
- 9.4. Selection by collateral relatives
- 9.5. Progeny selection

**Topic 10. Cross-breeding**

- 10.1. Objective of cross-breeding
- 10.2. Types of cross-breeding

**Topic 11. Plant breeding**

- 11.1. Introduction
- 11.2. Registration of plant varieties
- 11.3. Genetic consequences of plant reproduction systems
- 11.4. Types of varieties

**Topic 12. Breeding methods (I)**

- 12.1. Objectives of plant breeding
- 12.2. Pure line breeding.
- 12.3. Backcrossing
- 12.4. Obtaining multiline varieties

**Topic 13. Breeding methods (II)**

- 13.1. Obtention of open-pollinated varieties
- 13.2. Obtention of synthetic varieties
- 13.3. Obtention of hybrid varieties
- 13.4. Obtention of clonal varieties

**Topic 14. Applications of tissue culture techniques in plant breeding**

- 14.1. Sanitary clonal selection
- 14.2. Somaclonal variation; in vitro induced mutagenesis
- 14.3. Embryo rescue
- 14.4. Obtention of haploid and doublé-haploid plants

**Topic 15. Applications of plant genetic engineering**

- 15.1. Transgenic varieties
- 15.2. Genetic improvement of abiotic stress tolerance
- 15.3. Genetic improvement of biotic stress tolerance
- 15.4. Genetic improvement of quality
- 15.5. Plant as biofactories
- 15.6. Legal regulation of transgenic varieties
- 15.7. Genome editing

**Topic 16. Applications of random molecular markers**

- 16.1. Molecular markers
- 16.2. Variety identification
- 16.3. Crossing and purity tests
- 16.4. Plant genetic diversity analysis

**Topic 17. Mapping markers and genes**

- 17.1. Linkage and cartography of markers. Maps
- 17.2. Mapping populations
- 17.3. Mapping major genes
- 17.4. Detection of QTLs
- 17.5. Marker assisted selection
- 17.6. Development of allele-specific markers

**Topic 18. Applications of genome sequencing**

- 18.1. Resequencing: SNPs markers
- 18.2. Platforms for mass-genotyping
- 18.3. Genotyping by sequencing
- 18.4. Genome wide association analysis
- 18.5. Genomic selection

**Topic 19. Identification and characterization of genes (I)**

- 19.1. Positional cloning
- 19.2. Cloning genes by sequence homology
- 19.3. Programs to predict genes
- 19.4. Reverse genetics strategies

**Topic 20. Identification and characterization of genes (II)**

- 20.1. Functional cloning
- 20.2. Genetic expression analysis
- 20.3. Proteomics
- 20.3. Metabolomics

**Practice sessions**

1. Breeding program of 'Frisona Española'

2. Breeding program in 'Raza Parda de Montaña'
3. Breeding program in 'Rasa aragonesa'
4. Breeding program in 'Gallina del Sobrarbe'
5. Breeding program in pork
6. Evaluation of quantitative traits in cultivated plants
7. Heritability. Selection
8. Genetic transformation of tomato
9. Analysis of genetic diversity in grapevine using SSR markers
10. Analysis of SNP markers in rice

#### 4.4.Course planning and calendar

##### Provisional course planning

Week	Theory	Practice session	Autonomous work	Total
1	Topic 1 Topic 2	-	-	4
2	Topic 3 Topic 4	-	study (4 h)	8
3	Topic 5 Topic 6	-	study (4 h)	8
4	Topic 7	Practice session 1	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
5	Topic 8	Practice session 2	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
6	Topic 9	Practice session 3	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
7	Topic 10	Practice session 4	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
8	Topic 11	Practice session 5	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
9	Topic 12 Topic 13 (Exam session)	-	study (4 h)	8

10	Topic 14	Practice session 6	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
11	Topic 15 Topic 16	-	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
12	Topic 17	Practice session 7	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
13	Topic 18	Practice session 8	work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
14	Topic 19	Practice session 9	Work (2 h) study (2 h)	8
15	Topic 20	Practice session 10	study (4 h)	8
16	-	-	study (8 h)	8
17	-	-	study (8 h)	8
18	-	-	study (8 h)	8
19	-	-	study (8 h)	8
20	Exam session			2
<b>Total hours</b>	42	20	88	150

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