

SYLLABUS

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-18

1. COURSE DESPCRIPTION

| Degree: | Environmental Sciences | |
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| Course: | Plant Resources Management, Conservation and | |
| Department: | Environment Management, Quality, Conservation and Planning | |
| Department: | Molecular Biology and Chemical Engineering | |
| Academic Year: | 2017-18 | |
| Term: | First Semester | |
| ECTS credits: | 4,5 | |
| Year: | 3 rd year | |
| Type: | Compulsory | |
| Language: | Spanish | |

| Course Model: | B1 | |
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| a. Basic learning (EB): | | 60% |
| b. Practical learning (EPD): | | 40% |



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2. LECTURER

| Coordinator | |
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3. TOPICS

BASIC LEARNING

TOPIC I. Introduction and concepts.

Unit 1. Concepts in biodiversity: taxonomic, ecological and genetic diversity. Unit 2 Biogeography and speciation.

TOPIC II. Threats and extinction in plant species.

Unit 3. Main causes of threat and extinction in plant species.

TOPIC III. Methodology in conservation studies of threatened species.

Unit 4. Red Lists and threat categories.

Unit 5. Corology and population censuses.

Unit 6. Demography and dynamics of plant populations.

Unit 7. Reproductive biology. Main types of reproduction systems.

Implications for genetic diversity.

Unit 8. Molecular studies of genetic diversity (Genetics of conservation).

Unit 9. Main management measures for the conservation of threatened plant species.

TOPIC IV. Exploitation of plant resources.

Unit 10. The plants that we eat.

Unit 11. Exploitation of fungi.

Unit 12. Medicinal and aromatic plants.

Unit 13. Forest resources.

PRACTICAL LEARNING

Cabinet practice:

Practice 1.- Red Lists, threat categories and criteria of the IUCN.

Practice 2.- Resolution of demographic monitoring exercises and genetic diversity evaluation.

Practice 3.- Identification of edible fungi (Laboratory).

Field practice: Excursion to the Botanical Garden of Cordoba.