COURSE TITLE:

FIELD WORK (PRACTICE)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This field work takes place right at the beginning of the first semester (the first full week) and is compulsory for all new entrees. The aim of this course is threefold: to strengthen the ability of conscientious moving in the field with environmental issues in focus (as it was introduced during the BSc-level curriculum), to establish a common unified background that can provide a firm basis for the later field sampling course and to judge the field abilities and connected theoretical knowledge of new students arriving from different institutions with different pre-knowledge to this MSc study. On this basis suggestions can be made to students to enter certain additional brush-up courses.

The actual work is performed in groups of 5-8 students on given complex tasks: careful observation of the living and non-living environment, tutor controlled sample collection and their necessary in-field pre-adjustments, and — on the last day - a group level oral presentation about the achievements in the given task.

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