COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION – COURSE PROJECT

Course unit title	Code
COURSE PROJECT	

Lecturer(s)	Department(s)
Researcher appointed by the Study Programme	n/a
Committee	

Cycle	Level of the course unit	Type of the course unit
Full-time studies (1st stage)	1 out of 1	Compulsory

Mode of delivery	Period of delivery	Language of instruction
Consultations, research work	6 th semester, spring	Lithuanian

Prerequisites and corequisites				
Prerequisites:	Corequisites (if any):			
Molecular Biology, Genetic Engineering, Biochemistry	None			

Number of credits allocated to the course unit	Student's total workload	Contact hours	Self-study and research hours
4	100	7	93

Purpose of the course unit: programme competences to be developed						
To gain or develop competencies in knowledge and understanding, research, critical thinking and independent action,						
communication, personal effectiveness, and practical skills.						
Learning outcomes of the course unit	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods				
Upon the successful completion of Course						
project, students will acquire ability:						
Analyze and solve molecular biology-						
related questions;						
Analyze and summarize data, drawing						
on numerical and statistical analysis skills						
as appropriate;						
Build on existing knowledge to suggest						
new directions for investigation; discuss						
and evaluate scientific arguments;						
Exchange ideas with scientific	Consultations, research work, self-	Defense of Course Project				
colleagues, including carrying out scientific research within a research	study.	Ů				
group/team;						
Appreciate the experimental						
approaches, methods and limitations in						
their field:						
• formulate scientific questions of						
research;						
Carry out scientific research within a						
research group or team;						
Develop critical thinking, including the						
critical analysis of current literature.						

		Contact hours						Self-study work: time and assignments	
Content: breakdown of the topics	Lectures	Tutorials	Seminars	Exercises	Laboratory work	Internship/work placement	Contact hours	Self-study hours	Assignments
Selection of research laboratory from the list provided by the Study Programme Committee. Discussions with scientific supervisor on course project		1					1	20	Preparation and presentation of Course Project Plan
Search and analysis of scientific literature Research work at laboratory, participation in laboratory every-day life (seminars, discussions, etc.).		4					4	53	Preparation and Presentation of Course Project Draft
Oral presentation of the Course project, defense.		2					2	20	Preparation for oral presentation of Course Project
Total		7					7	93	

Assessment strategy	Weight, %	Assessment period	Assessment criteria
Project defense	100 %	During the session	Written project must be submitted before the defense. Final mark is the average of marks for oral presentation and answers to questions of members of defense committee, and for written report.

Required literature

Current research papers in the field of selected theme

Recommended reading

Scientific Communication. Jean-Luc Doumont, ed. Nature Education (http://www.nature.com/scitable/topic/scientific-communication-14121566)