

**Methodologies Applied to the Multidisciplinary
Environment of One Health**

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Degree	Type	Year	Semester
4315915 Zoonoses and One Health	OB	0	1

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Teaching groups languages

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Prerequisites

As a requirement for admission you must be in possession of any of the titles listed below:

Graduates, Graduates or Diploma in the field of Health Sciences (Veterinary Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Food Science and Technology, Animal Science and Health, Biomedicine, Psychology ...) and Life Sciences (Biology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Zoology, Botany, Ecology, Biodiversity, Environmental Sciences, Agronomic Engineering, Forestry ...) or equivalent.

Objectives and Contextualisation

The basic tools necessary to work with the One Health approach will be complemented taking into account interactions with different sectors, such as risk analysis, environmental health (climate change and its repercussions on the distribution of diseases), human behavior (socio-economic and cultural change of civilizations) and the impacts of globalization as future threats to the health of all its inhabitants.

Work will be carried out in detail on disease surveillance through this integrated approach to health in humans, animals, the environment and the ecosystem. It will provide a series of theoretical and technical knowledge useful for the development of protocols for action and contingency in the face of health problems as well as the fundamentals in risk management and communication.

Competences

- Act in accordance with the code of ethics of the profession.
- Communicate and justify conclusions clearly and unambiguously to both specialist and non-specialist audiences.

- Continue the learning process, to a large extent autonomously.
- Display understanding and familiarity with using the methodologies and tools of zoonotic risk assessment based on the concept of One Health.
- Manage and report on the risk of zoonoses in special situations, health emergencies or biological threats.
- Solve problems in new or little-known situations within broader (or multidisciplinary) contexts related to the field of study.
- Take decisions on the establishment of zoonosis surveillance and containment plans.
- Use acquired knowledge as a basis for originality in the application of ideas, often in a research context.
- Work alone or in a multidisciplinary team within the area of study, showing critical reasoning and creativity, and the ability to analyse, interpret and synthesise the data generated.

Learning Outcomes

1. Apply the methodologies used in sociological and economic studies in the context of One Health.
2. Apply the technical bases for developing and implementing surveillance and contingency programmes.
3. Find information on health alerts through the available online resources.
4. Interpret the tools for laboratory diagnosis of diseases.
5. Know and interpret the tools for laboratory diagnosis of infectious diseases.
6. Know the fundamental principles of risk management and communication in special situations and in biological emergencies or threats.
7. Know the fundamental principles of risk management and communication in the different levels of society.
8. Know the methodologies used in Environmental Health and wildlife in the context of One Health.
9. Know the methodologies used in sociological, economic, environmental health and ecological studies in the context of One Health.
10. Know the profession and the political, economic, social and cultural contexts in which it will be practised.
11. Know the technical bases for developing and implementing surveillance and contingency programmes for zoonoses.
12. Work alone or in a multidisciplinary team within the area of study, showing critical reasoning and creativity, and the ability to analyse, interpret and synthesise the data generated.

Content

- Risk assessment, management and communication
- Environmental Health and Ecology
- Methods of laboratory diagnosis: microbiology and molecular biology
- Health economics
- Sociology and Health

Methodology

Directed activity:

Master classes / Exhibition classes
 Problem-based learning
 Debates
 Problem solving classes / cases / exercises

Supervised activity:

Tutorials

Resolution of cases / exercises / problems in a virtual way

Autonomous activity:

Realization of works / reports

Reading articles / reports of interest

Personal study

Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Classes of problem solving, cases and exercises	30	1.2	2, 1, 5, 10, 12
Debates	4	0.16	2, 7, 6, 11, 12
Master classes / Exhibition classes	15	0.6	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Problem-based learning	4	0.16	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Seminars	5	0.2	7, 6, 8
Type: Supervised			
Resolution of cases, exercises and problems in a virtual way	35	1.4	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Tutorials	10	0.4	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Type: Autonomous			
Personal study	52	2.08	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Reading articles and reports of interest	30	1.2	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Realization of works / reports	40	1.6	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3

Assessment

A. The assessment of the students will be done through a combination of the following criteria:

- It is mandatory to attend at least 80% of the presential classes. Attendance to lectures and participation in the activities carried out individually or in groups during those sessions will be recorded. Non justified absences for a given activity are not accepted. In case of a justified absence (illness, work issues, etc.) the qualification of this activity will be considered but restrictions may apply.

- In the teamwork and oral presentations, the assessment will consider the quality and clarity of the presentation and the knowledge demonstrated during the discussion of the subject.

B. To pass this module, compulsory attendance is required at a minimum of 80% of the on-site class hours of the module. The final average grade of the module must be equal to or greater than 5 out of 10.

C. In the case of failing, the students will have an additional opportunity consisting in a complementary work in which they must obtain at least 5 out of 10 points.

Oral presentations (40%):

Risk analysis (20%)

Cost of diseases (20%)

Classroom activity on laboratory diagnostic tools in animal health (10%)

Synthesis exam (50%)

It will include questions on all the topics covered throughout the module except those ones already evaluated during the oral presentations and the classroom activity (i.e., risk analysis, cost of diseases and workshop on laboratory diagnostic tools). A minimum mark of 4/10 is required to be able to average with the rest of the scores.

Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Assistance and active participation in class	20	0	0	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Delivery of reports / works	20	0	0	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Oral exposure risk analysis	20	0	0	2, 1, 7, 6, 5, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4, 12, 3
Synthesis test	40	0	0	2, 1, 6, 10, 11, 9, 8, 4

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Software

No applicable