Virtual Exchange Program

Sustainable Food Security: Crop Production

Start date: 12/04/2020, End date: 03/07/2020
Platform: edX

Wageningen University and Research

COURSE SYNOPSIS

Domain: Life sciences
Title(s) of the course(s) as it appears on the platform: Sustainable Food Security: Crop Production
Language (ISO-639-1 code): en
Short description of the course: Learn the basics of crop production and find out how to feed the future world population without depleting our planet’s resources.
Instructor(s): Ken Giller, Gerrie van der Ven, Harrie Lovenstein
Level: BA4
ECTS: 2.0
Workload in student hours: 56

Semester: 1: jan-june

Full course description: Feeding nine billion in 2050 without exhausting the planetary reserves is perhaps the greatest challenge mankind has ever faced. This course will examine the principles of production ecology and the 'availability pillar' of global food security that lie at the heart of food production. They can be applied to both crops and animal production. This course on the basics of crop production will discuss why yields in some parts of the world are lagging behind and identify the agro-ecological drivers that shape the wide diversity of production systems. Furthermore, key issues relating to closing of yield gaps and how these link to different visions of sustainability will be explored.

Prerequisites: -

Link to course on platform: https://www.edx.org/course/sustainable-food-security-crop-production-0

Link to course in University studyplan: https://ssc.wur.nl/Handbook/Course/PPS-51802

Course registration opening date: 06/01/2020
Course registration deadline: 12/04/2020
Course withdraw date: -

Midterm: No
Midterm details: -

Exam period start: 06/07/2020
Exam period end: 17/07/2020
Exam date: -

Exam timing: Synchronous (exam needs to take place at the same date and time everywhere)
Exam start time: -
Exam end time: -

**Time zone (at the time of the exam, DST):** UTC+1

Exam registration date: 26/06/2020
Exam resit available: Yes
Exam resit period start: 03/02/2021
Exam resit period end: 12/02/2021
Exam resit date: -
Exam resit time start: -
Exam resit time end: -

**Time zone (at the time of the resit of the exam, DST):** UTC+1

Final exam type: Written
Final exam details: -

Exam requirements for home university (computer, VOIP, recording materials): -

Cap (maximum number of exchange students): 50
Offered to which partners: -, All partners of the Alliance(s) selected above

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