

A review by an EU INTENSE partner

Course: Forest ecology

Credits	2 ECTS (optional course), 30 in-class hours
Level	PhD students
Host institution	Institute of Ecology of the Carpathians National Academy of Science of Ukraine

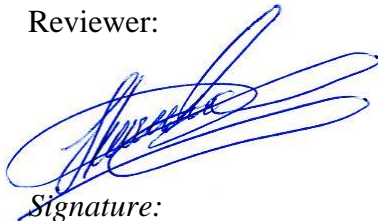
Assessment criteria	Answer			Comments
	Yes	No	Need to be modified	
The course has appropriate place in curricula (year and semester of study)	X			n/a
Contents is relevant to the PhD program requirements	X			An important introduction to the most relevant (locally) biom; the level of discussion is appropriate for PhD level, although can be too generic for those narrowly specializing on forest ecosystems
The course contents is well developed and allows to achieve learning outcomes and skills	X			The contents are clearly linked to learning outcomes
Aim and objectivers are well formulated	X			Yes, they are relevant and clear
Distribution of workload is well balanced	X			It is reasonable
Grading system is well developed and distribution of scores is well balanced	X			Each part of the workload is allocated weighted scores; the system is explained in the

				syllabus, although it may appear a bit too complex
Teaching methods are relevant	X			Teaching methods are relevant to in terms of set learning outcomes, and appropriate for PhD level
Literature is relevant	X			Yes; some more recent titles on new challenges of forest management would be appropriate though
The course can be proposed to PhD students on other specialties and research areas	X			Any MSc and PhD programs related to ecology should be relevant

Overall assessment and comments:

The course syllabus and learning materials are strong and professional; as mentioned, the most important advice could be to make better use of newer literature on forest vulnerability, adaptation and adaptive forest management

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