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| Module | Ecosystem restoration (natural, rural or urban environments) |
| Code | MLS_S20 |
| Degree Program | Master of Science in Life Sciences (MSLS) |
| Cluster | Environment |
| Specialization | Natural Resource Management |
| ECTS Credits | 4 |
| Workload | 120 h: Contact & Field work 56 h; Self-study 64 h |
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| Entry Requirements | Bachelor in LS, Agronomy or Natural resource management, or equivalent |
| Learning Outcomes and Competences | After completing the module students will be able to restore ecosystems and their functions/services, from the local to the regional scale (catchment, landscape), especially: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify stakes and the potential of restoration taking into account technical process and socio-economic uses.• Define the objectives of a restoration project.• Design the appropriate development options.• Develop and propose appropriate measures and put into action techniques with project details. Plan their implementation (work plan, maintenance, ...). |
| Module Content | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remainder about legal context, restoration technics, choice of material• Eco-morphological restoration of ecosystems (renaturation and revalorisation of streams, creation and restoration of waterbodies, meadows, soils...).• Bio-engineering and revegetation of degraded sites (quarries, gravel pits, dumps, erosion control, etc.).• Landscape ecology and agro-environmental measures (network, ...). |
| Teaching / Learning Methods | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lectures• Individual and group exercises• Case-studies / projects• Field trips (mandatory)• Active participation in the module is requested |

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| Assessment of Learning Outcome | Examination: Report(s) produced during the S-module, and oral defense Reassessment: oral/written exam within four weeks after the publication of the grades. |
| Bibliography | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adam P. ; Debiais N. ; Gerber F. ; Lachat B. (2008) Le génie végétal, Un manuel technique au service de l'aménagement et de la restauration des milieux aquatiques. Ministère de l'écologie, du développement et de l'aménagement durables. • Coppin N.J. (1990) Use of Vegetation in Civil Engineering. Richards, I. G., London, 238 p. • Evette A. ; Balique C. ; Lavaine C. ; Rey F. (2009a) Using ecological and biogeographical features to achieve a typology of the plant species used in riverbank protection bioengineering in Europe. Geophysical Research Abstracts, vol. 11. • Faber R. (2004) <i>New techniques for urban river rehabilitation Specifications for new materials and techniques improve instream morphology soil-bioengineering</i>. IWHW-BOKU, Vienna, 33 p. • Falk DA, Palmer MA, Zedler JB (eds) (2006) Foundations of restoration ecology. Island Press, Washington DC. • Malavoi J.; Debiais N.; Adam P. (2007). Manuel de restauration hydromorphologique des cours d'eau. Agence de l'Eau Seine-Normandie. • Van Andel J, Aronson J (eds) (2006) Restoration ecology. Blackwell, Oxford. <p>Documentation: http://cyberlearn.hes-so.ch (requires a login) □</p> |
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