COURSE DETAIL

GENETICS SKILLS

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Maastricht University - Center for European Studies

Program(s)

Biological and Life Sciences, Maastricht

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Biological Sciences

UCEAP Course Number

112

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

GENETICS SKILLS

UCEAP Transcript Title

GENETICS SKILLS

UCEAP Quarter Units

2.00

UCEAP Semester Units

Course Description

This skills course allows students to obtain a basic introduction to techniques and methods in modern Genetics. The first skills take place at a designated skills laboratory at Chemelot campus; subsequent skills training topics "Genomes and Genomics" are taught in a computer landscape. These days integrate theoretical and practical information. Each student receives theoretical and practical in silico training in the morning, followed by a limited number of tasks to execute on the computer and answered in a skills report. The final skills consist of a student group presentation where the combined theoretical and practical skills on Genetics are applied to a preassigned task. This skills course covers the following: procedures to purify genomic DNA from eukaryotic cells and plasmid (circular) DNA from prokaryotic cells and perform quantitative analyses on each product; polymerase chain reaction (PCR) analysis; analysis of DNA products using restriction digestion, ligation and agarose gel electrophoresis; isolation of RNA from eukaryotic cells and apply reverse transcription to generate copy DNA; Western immunoblotting; genetic and genomic websites, general and specialized databases, and relationships of genes within and between databases; technical training for more advanced skills in molecular biology and the life sciences. Prerequisite for this course is Cell Biology.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PRA2014

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Host Institution Campus

Maastricht University

Host Institution Faculty

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Host Institution Department

Maastricht Science Program

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