COURSE DETAIL

ANIMAL DIVERSITY AND EVOLUTION 3

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Biological Sciences

UCEAP Course Number

135

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

ANIMAL DIVERSITY AND EVOLUTION 3

UCEAP Transcript Title

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UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

The course provides students with a modern view of animal diversity and an understanding of how the process of evolution has produced this diversity. Students examine what key features make animals different from the rest of life and the evolutionary significance of these features. They then explore this diversity from different perspectives, including the phylogenetic description of diversity, the general causes of diversification in animals and more detailed examination of the diversification of key animal traits such as immunity, physiology and life-history. Students examine how patterns of diversity at different levels of biological organization, and how the diversity of body plans can be understood in terms of the relationship between evolution and development. The course finally considers the future of animal diversity. Some sessions illustrate approaches and techniques used to examine animal diversity and evolution, emphasizing that this is an active research field.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

BILG09019

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Host Institution Campus

Edinburgh University

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Host Institution Department

Biology

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