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Syllabus

PVS0071 Quality assurance and communication on Animal Welfare web-based teaching material, 3.0 credits

Syllabus approved

2011-12-06

Subjects

Animal Science

Education cycle

Third cycle

Grading scale

Pass / Failed

The requirements for attaining different grades are described in the course assessment criteria which are contained in a supplement to the course syllabus. Current information on assessment criteria shall be made available at the start of the course.

Language

English

Prior knowledge

Registered for PhD studies within biological sciences. Students should have experience in research relating to animal welfare.

Objective, including learning outcomes

On completion of the course the students shall be able to:

- Apply quality assurance principles on the evaluation of web-based teaching

material;

- Reflect on pedagogical concepts in the use of web-based teaching materials;
- Communicate on animal welfare issues to central administrations as well as to the young average EU citizen.

Focus is on the understanding of concepts and principles.

Content

: Reading, exercises and workshops. Participants are encouraged to select topic material from the web site Farmland that is relevant for their own research problems and discuss them with other participants and the course coordinator. A course introduction and three workshops will be organized to allow for discussion, in-depth explanations and responses to inquiries from the participants. These meetings will be possible to follow from other locations by video conference, etc.

Topics covered by the web site Farmland:

- Pig farming;
- Layer hen farming;
- Broiler farming;
- Calf farming;
- Dairy farming;
- Animal transport;

Other topics may be added such as animal slaughter, turkey farming, rabbit farming etc.

The exercise consists of a group work (2 participants in each group) on the critical evaluation and further suggestions for improvement of one the above presented topics of Farmland. Each group should present a letter to DG SANCO on their critical evaluation of the present Farmland topic and give suggestions to DG SANCO for improvements based on the participants own knowledge in the area and with the use of EFSA reports and other scientific literature as a basis.

Physical meetings (with videolink to Ultuna) will be 2/10, 24/10, 15/11 and 29/11.

Requirements for examination

: Exercises. Requirements for passing the course are approved presentation of exercises and participation in at least two course workshops. Approved group work will then be sent to DG SANCO for their further consideration.

Additional information

Course application should be submitted by e-mail to the course coordinator not later than 14 January 2012. The number of admittance is limited to 24 students. The course will be given in Skara. The main part of the course is individual work, which can be done from anywhere. Participation in course workshops will be possible via video conference, etc.

Responsible department

Department of Animal Environment and Health