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Department of General Ecology, Radiobiology and Safety of Life Activity

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# CURRICULUM OF ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE <u>General Ecology</u>

Field of knowledge <u>G Engineering</u> , manufacturing and construction
Specialty G18 Geodesy and Land Management
Academic programme "Geodesy and land management"
Faculty (Education and Research Institute): Faculty of Land Management
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#### **Description of the discipline General Ecology**

The course 'General Ecology' aims to deepen knowledge about the environment, to form future specialists' environmental thinking and outlook, taking into account the growing environmental threats and challenges in our time, to develop environmentally friendly skills, especially in the performance of official duties.

General ecology as an academic discipline represents a complex of various scientific knowledge about the interaction and mutual influence in the highly complex system of 'living organisms-environment', including the possible consequences of uncontrolled human impact on the environment. The discipline involves the use of modern technical means, as well as familiarity with international documents on the strategy of environmentally sound environmental management and sustainable development.

Academic degree, specialty, academic programme					
Academic degree	Bachelor				
Specialty	G18 Geodesy and Land Mo	anagement			
Academic programme	"Geodesy and land manage	ement"			
	acteristics of the discipline				
Туре		optional			
Total number of hours		90			
Number of ECTS credits		3			
Number of modules		2			
Course project (work) (if any)		-			
Form of assessment		Credit			
Inc	licators of the discipline				
for full-time and	d part-time forms of univer	rsity study			
	Form of obta	ining higher education			
	Full-time	Part-time			
Year of study	1	-			
Semester	2	-			
Lectures	15 hours	- hours.			
Practical classes and seminars	15 hours	- hours			
Laboratory classes	- hours	- hours			
Self-study	60 hours	- hours			
Number of hours per week for full-time students	2				

# 1. Aim, objectives, competences and expected learning outcomes of the discipline

Aim of the discipline 'General Ecology' is to deepen the knowledge about the environment, to form ecological thinking and worldview in future specialists in geodesy and land management, taking into account the strengthening of environmental threats and challenges in modern times, to form nature-friendly skills, especially in the performance of official duties.

### Acquisition of competences:

Integral competence (IC): Ability to solve complex specialised problems of geodesy and land management.

General competencies (GC):

- GC 01. Ability to learn and master modern knowledge.
- GC 02. Ability to apply knowledge in practical situations.
- GC 04. Ability to communicate in the state language both orally and in writing.
- GC 13. The ability to preserve, enhance moral, cultural, scientific values and achievements of society based on an understanding of the history, patterns of development of the subject area, its place in the general system of knowledge about nature and society, as well

as in the development of society, technology and technology, to use various types and forms of physical activity for recreation and healthy lifestyle.

Special (professional) competences (SC):

- SC01. Ability to apply fundamental knowledge to analyse phenomena of natural and man-made origin in the performance of professional tasks in the field of geodesy and land management.
- SC02. Ability to apply theories, principles, methods of physical and mathematical, natural, socio-economic, engineering sciences in the performance of geodesy and land management.
- SC08. Ability to carry out professional activities in the field of geodesy and land management with taking into account the requirements of professional and civilian safety, labour protection, social, environmental, ethical and economic aspects.

## Expected Learning Outcomes (ELO):

ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of natural and socio-economic sciences in the performance of geodesy and land management tasks.

#### 2. Programme and structure of the discipline

	Number of hours												
Modules			ful	ll-time				part-time					
and topics	weeks	total		i	ncluding			total	including				
with topies			1	p	lab	ind	s.st		1	p	lab	ind	s.s t
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Module 1. Gene		isions (	of ecol	ogy. E	cosyst	em ap		ı in eco	logic	al st	udy		
Topic 1. Basic concepts and definitions of ecology as a science	1-2	12	2	2			8						
Topic 2. Methodology of ecology as a science. The concept of environment	3-4	11	2	2			7						
Topic 3. Basic patterns of the influence of environmental factors	5-6	11	2	2			7						
Topic 4. Ecosystems and their role in the biosphere's organisation	7-8	12	2	2			8						
Total for module 1	46		8	8			30						
Module 2	2. Applie	d aspe	cts of e	ecology	y and e	enviro	nment	al prot	ectio	n	I		<u> </u>
Topic 1. Productivity and dynamics of ecological systems	9-10	14	2	2			10	_					
Topic 2. Environmental issues of the current state of system "Nature—Society"	11-12	14	2	2			10						
Topic 3. Human impacts on the planet. Achieving environmental	13-15	16	3	3			10						

sustainability								
Total for module 2	44	7	7		30			
Total hours	90	15	5 15		60			
Course project (work)								
(if included in the curriculum)			-   -	-	-	-   -	-	-
Total hours	90	15	5 15		60			

3. Topics of lections

No	Topic title	Hours
1	Basic concepts and definitions of ecology as a science	2
2	Methodology of ecology as a science. The concept of environment	2
3	Basic patterns of the influence of environmental factors	2
4	Ecosystems and their role in the biosphere's organisation	2
5	Productivity and dynamics of ecological systems	2
6	Environmental issues of the current state of system "Nature-	2
	Society"	
7	Human impacts on the planet. Achieving environmental sustainability	3

4. Topics of practical classes

No	Topic title	Hours
1	Links of ecology with other natural disciplines. Stages of formation of ecology	2
	as a science	
2	Basic laws of ecology. Laws-axioms of B. Commoner	2
3	The impact of abiotic environmental factors on living organisms. Biotic	2
	factors and interactions in ecosystems	
4	The study of trophic relationships in an ecosystem. Practical application of the	2
	rule of the ecological pyramid and the law of bioaccumulation (concentration)	
5	Consequences of the impact of human activity on natural systems at the global	2
	level	
6	Problems of ensuring environmental sustainability in Ukraine by the example	2
	of the "small motherland"	
7	Problems of sustainable environmental management. Principles of sustainable	3
	production and consumption. Calculation of the individual ecological footprint	

5. Topics for self-study

No	Topic title	Hours
1	The main directions of modern ecological research. Contribution of Ukrainian	8
	scientists to the development of ecology	
2	Biosphere as a global ecosystem. The cycle of matters in the biosphere as a	7
	requirement for its sustainability	
3	Basic environmental laws, principles and rules. Principles of ecological	7
	classification of organisms	
4	The impact of natural and anthropogenic environmental factors on the stability	8
	of biota	
5	Impact of human activities on natural systems. Environmental basics of nature	10
	protection	
6	Land and soil degradation processes. National policy in the sphere of	10
	protection of land resources	
7	Problems of ensuring sustainable nature management in Ukraine	10

#### 6. Tools for assessing expected learning outcomes:

- oral or written questioning;
- interview;
- testing;
- defence of laboratory/practical, calculation/graphic works, projects;
- peer assessment, self-assessment.

### 7. Teaching methods:

- the method of problem-based learning;
- method of practice-oriented learning;
- case method;
- method of learning through research;
- method of educational discussions and debates;
- method of teamwork, brainstorming.

#### 8. Assessment of learning outcomes:

The assessment of students' knowledge and skills is conducted by means of a 100-point scale and is converted into national grades of the current Exam and Credit Regulations at NULES of Ukraine.

### 8.1. Distribution of points received by students

Type of learning activity	Learning outcomes	Assessment
Module 1. General provisions	of ecology. Ecosystem approach in ecological s	tudy
Lecture 1 Basic concepts and definitions of ecology as a science	To know the subject and objectives of modern ecology as a science;	2
Practical class 1. Links of ecology with other natural disciplines. Stages of formation of ecology as a science	To know the main achievements of the world and Ukrainian environmental science. ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of	10
Self-study 1. The main directions of modern ecological research. Contribution of Ukrainian scientists to the development of ecology	natural and socio-economic sciences in the performance of geodesy and land management tasks.	6
Lecture 2 Methodology of ecology as a science. The concept of environment	To understand the main points of Vernadsky's	2
Practical class 2. Basic laws of ecology. Laws-axioms of B. Commoner	theory about the biosphere; To know the basic properties of the	10
Self-study 2. Biosphere as a global ecosystem. The cycle of matters in the biosphere as a requirement for its sustainability	components of the environment; To comprehend the operation of the basic ecological laws, principles, and rules. ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of natural and socio-economic sciences in the performance of geodesy and land management tasks.	6
Lecture 3 Basic patterns of the influence of environmental factors	To understand the impact of natural and anthropogenic environmental factors on biota sustainability;	2
Practical class 3. The impact of abiotic environmental factors on living	To analyse the peculiarities of the effect of environmental factors on organisms.	10

organisms. Biotic factors and interactions in ecosystems	ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of natural and socio-economic sciences in the	
Self-study 3. Basic environmental laws, principles and rules. Principles of ecological classification of organisms	performance of geodesy and land management tasks.	5
Lecture 4 Ecosystems and their role in the biosphere's organisation	To understand the principles of ecosystem	2
Practical class 4. The study of trophic relationships in an ecosystem. Practical application of the rule of the ecological pyramid and the law of bioaccumulation (concentration)	functioning; To know the basic ecological strategies of existence and survival of populations, general principles of adaptation of organisms; To calculate the possible consequences of environmental pollution for living organisms	10
Self-study 4. The impact of natural and anthropogenic environmental factors on the stability of biota	ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of natural and socio-economic sciences in the performance of geodesy and land management tasks.	5
Module test 1.		30
Total for Module 1		100
	ects of ecology and environmental protection	
Lecture 5 Productivity and dynamics of ecological systems  Prostical class 5. Consequences of the	To be able to take into account environmental aspects when analyzing and solving technical	10
Practical class 5. Consequences of the impact of human activity on natural systems at the global level	and economic problems, implementing development programs for enterprises and	10
Self-study 5. Impact of human activities on natural systems. Environmental basics of nature protection	industries. ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of natural and socio-economic sciences in the performance of geodesy and land management tasks.	8
Lecture 6 Environmental issues of the current state of system "Nature—Society"	To know the main global environmental problems and environmental problems of	2
Practical class 6. Problems of ensuring environmental sustainability in Ukraine by the example of the "small motherland"	Ukraine; To understand the role of man and society in creating and solving environmental problems. ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of	15
Self-study 6. Land and soil degradation processes. National policy in the sphere of protection of land resources	natural and socio-economic sciences in the performance of geodesy and land management tasks.	8
Lecture 7 Human impacts on the planet. Achieving environmental sustainability	To learn the principles of sustainable (ecologically balanced) development of	2
Practical class 7. Problems of sustainable environmental management. Principles of sustainable production and consumption. Calculation of the individual ecological footprint	society and the principles of the strategy for preserving the environment and life on Earth;  To learn the principles of sustainable (ecologically balanced) development of society and the principles of the strategy for	15
Self-study 7. Problems of ensuring sustainable nature management in Ukraine	preserving the environment and life on Earth; To apply the principles of protection and environmentally sound use of land resources in professional activities.  ELO5. Apply conceptual knowledge of natural and socio-economic sciences in the performance of geodesy and land	8

	management tasks.		
Module test 2.			
<b>Total for Module 2</b>		100	
Educational work	$(M1 + M2)/2*0,7 \le 70$		
Examination	30		
Total for the course	(Academic work + exa	$mination) \le 100$	
Course project (work)		100	
(if included in the curriculum)		100	

#### 8.2. Scale for assessing students 'knowledge and skills

Student's rating, points	National grading of exams and credits
90-100	excellent
74-89	good
60-73	satisfactorily
0-59	unsatisfactorily

#### 8.3. Assessment policy

Deadlines and exam retaking policy:	Works that are submitted late without valid reasons will be assessed with a lower grade. Module tests may be retaken with the permission of the lecturer if there are valid reasons (e.g., a sick leave).
Academic integrity policy:	Cheating during tests and exams is prohibited (including using mobile devices).  Term papers and essays must have correct references to the literature used
Attendance policy:	Attendance is compulsory. For good reasons (e.g., illness, international internship), training can take place individually (online by the faculty dean's consent)

### 9. Teaching and learning aids

- 1. Електронний навчальний курс навчальної дисципліни «General Ecology» (ГіЗ): https://elearn.nubip.edu.ua/course/view.php?id=2249
- 2. Конспект лекцій з дисципліни «Основи екології» для студентів ОС Бакалавр за напрямом підготовки 193 Геодезія та землеустрій. К.: НУБіП. 2019. 134 с.
- 3. Ракоїд О.О., Клепко А.В., Бондарь В.І. Загальна екологія. Навчально-методичний посібник для студентів ОС Бакалавр за напрямом підготовки 193 Геодезія та землеустрій. К.: НУБіП. 2023. 133 с.
- 4. Ракоїд О.О., Бондарь В.І. Методичні рекомендації щодо виконання практичних робіт з дисципліни «Загальна екологія». К.: НУБіП. 2024. 60 с.
- 5. Rakoid O.O. Basics of Ecology. Study guide for EQL Bachelor with specialty 193 Geodesy and Land Management. Second edition. Kyiv: NUBIP, 2021. 227 p.
- 6. Rakoid O.O., Klepko A.V., Bondar V.I. General Ecology. Textbook for students of Bachelor's Degree in the specialty 193 "Geodesy and land management". Kyiv: NUBIP, 2024. 212 p.

- 7. Маленко Я.В., Ворошилова Н.В., Кобрюшко О.О., Перерва В.В. Загальна екологія: навчальний посібник. Кривий Ріг: КДПУ, 2023. 231 с.
- 8. Соломенко Л.І. Загальна екологія: підручник. Третє видання, випр. і доп. / Соломенко Л.І, Боголюбов В.М., Волох А.М. Херсон: Олді-плюс, 2020. 346 с.

#### 10. Recommended sources of information

- 1. Національний портал відкритих даних: http://data.gov.ua
- 2. Публічна кадастрова карта: http://www.map.land.gov.ua/kadastrova-karta
- 3. Громадський моніторинг стану якості повітря: https://eco-city.org.ua/
- 4. Програма Європейського Союзу Copernicus: https://www.copernicus.eu/en
- 5. Інтерактивна карта «Чиста вода»: https://texty.org.ua/articles/86343/Chysta\_voda\_Interaktyvna\_karta\_rozpovist\_pro\_stan-86343/
- 6. Конвенція ООН про боротьбу з опустелюванням/База знань. https://knowledge.unccd.int/
- 7. Офіційний сайт Міністерства захисту довкілля та природних ресурсів України: http://www.menr.gov.ua
  - 8. WWF Footprint Calculator: https://footprint.wwf.org.uk/#/
- 9. ЕкоЗагроза (офіційний вебресурс і мобільний додаток Міндовкілля, завдяки якому можна дізнатись достовірну інформацію про стан повітря, води, ґрунту та інші дані): https://ecozagroza.gov.ua/
  - 10. Єдина екологічна платформа "ЕкоСистема": https://eco.gov.ua/