



Information regarding the fall semester of the 2020/2021 school year for Biology master students

Eötvös Loránd University, Institute of Biology



## BIOLOGY MASTER PROGRAM

**Due to the virus pandemic and the expected second wave, the fall semester of the program starts at Augustus 31th.**

In case, a student cannot arrive to Budapest by that date, the course supervisor will take it in consideration. Please, always strictly follow the general obligations issued by the Epidemiological Operative Coordinating Body (EOCB) including social distancing and other safety measures and protocols.

Courses will be offered in a hybrid format to permit those who cannot attend to participate remotely. Some of the fall semester laboratory courses will be fully given within a week instead of once a week. The lectures will be held either in campus or online by MS Teams. In case a student cannot attend the in campus course, she/he should notify the instructor as soon as possible to give you alternative ways to fulfil the requirements of the course (either practice or lecture).

Please ask information about the course calendar, which is expected to be done by 20th, from the Program Coordinator, Dr. Petra Varró (E-mail: [varro.petra@ttk.elte.hu](mailto:varro.petra@ttk.elte.hu)).

Information for **first year students**:

All the compulsory lectures will be online via Teams, including the Bioinformatics practical course. The Research methods practical course will be held on each Thursday 10 AM (starting on September 3th) in the Discussion Room of the Dept. Physiology (instructor: Dr. Katalin Schlett; you can expect a course mail from her in due time).

**Neuroscience and Human Biology** specialization:

In the first three weeks of the semester students will be offered the compulsory Methods in neurophysiology practical course, which was cancelled in the previous semester due to the COVID situation. Some of the lectures will be started only after September 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Molecular, Immun- and Microbiology** specialization:

The Biophysical Techniques to Study Protein Structure, Stability and Interactions PR will be offered between September 14<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The lectures start at August 31<sup>st</sup>, but no lecture will be during the period of the practical course. Lectures will be offered either in campus or online via Teams (consult the course calendar later).

**Ecology, Evolution-and Conservation Biology** specialization:

Two courses will be offered in September in English (Evolutionary ecology of *Homo sapiens* and Ecology II PR; see the course calendar later). Lecture will be offered either in campus or via Teams.

**Molecular Genetics, Cell- and Developmental Biology, Plant biology and Bioinformatics** specializations plan to offer practical courses only on a weekly basis (one occasion per week).

All courses, practical and lectures will start from the week August 31<sup>st</sup>. Again, please consult the course calendar after August 20<sup>th</sup>.

**General notes:**

Those students who has already started or about to start laboratory or field experiments for their thesis, are allowed to do it assuming they follow the obligations issued by EOCB (<https://www.elte.hu/en/coronavirus>).

If you have further questions write an E-mail to the program coordinator ([varro.petra@ttk.elte.hu](mailto:varro.petra@ttk.elte.hu)) or the program assistant at the Education Office of the Faculty (Zsuzsanna Hannus, [hannus@caesar.elte.hu](mailto:hannus@caesar.elte.hu)).

In case you have an unsettled issue, you may contact the Vice Director of the Institute of Biology.

We wish you for this upcoming semester perseverance, and success in your studies!

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