

# Modelling of Biological Systems

Programme course

6 credits

Modelling of Biological Systems

NBID31

Valid from: 2017 Spring semester

**Determined by**

Board of Studies for Chemistry, Biology  
and Biotechnology

**Date determined**

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**Offered for the last time**

Autumn semester 2025

**Replaced by**

NBID85

## Main field of study

Biology

## Course level

Second cycle

## Advancement level

A1N

## Course offered for

- Ecology and the Environment, Master's Programme
- Industrial Engineering and Management - International, M Sc in Engineering
- Industrial Engineering and Management, M Sc in Engineering

## Entry requirements

Note: Admission requirements for non-programme students usually also include admission requirements for the programme and threshold requirements for progression within the programme, or corresponding.

## Prerequisites

120 ECTS including NBID53 or TFBI23 or equivalent.

## Intended learning outcomes

To use basic knowledge of models for applied and theoretical problems in ecology.  
To use the three stages (i) formulate and construct a mathematical model from verbal description of known experimental relations, (ii) mathematically analyse and apply a model, and (iii) interpret and evaluate the mathematical analysis in the context of the experimental knowledge.

## Course content

Basic R programming. Discrete and continuous models. Deterministic and stochastic models. Modern presentation techniques.

## Teaching and working methods

Lectures, seminars, and projects.

## Examination

UPG2	Project	2 credits	U, G
UPG1	Assignments	4 credits	U, G

Grades given are Fail or Pass.

## Grades

Two-grade scale, U, G

## Department

Institutionen för fysik, kemi och biologi

## Director of Studies or equivalent

Agneta Johansson

## Examiner

Anna Eklöf

## Education components

Preliminary scheduled hours: 48 h

Recommended self-study hours: 112 h

## Course literature

Mooney och Swift, 1999: A Course in Mathematical Modeling.

## Common rules

Regulations (apply to LiU in its entirety)

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