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# Master thesis (3CB2015)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures		Crédits ECTS
Master en conservation de la biodiversité	Mémoire/dissertation 300 pg	Voir ci-dessous	30

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

# Période d'enseignement:

Semestre Printemps, Semestre Automne

# Equipe enseignante

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#### Contenu

The realization of a master thesis is central to the curriculum in Biodiversity Conservation. The purpose of the thesis is learning how to produce science, including how to exercise critical thinking, collect and analyse data, acquire organisational skills and obtain intellectual and scientific independence. Correspondingly, your final mark will not only be based on the thesis document, but also on your performance during the entire process.

You can either identify a research topic on your own or choose among the propositions made by professors. If you choose to develop your own master thesis projects, you will still need to discuss your topic, approach and methods with your supervisor, who will discuss and then validate your project.

## Forme de l'évaluation

Most supervisors will use a formal evaluation sheet to assess the different parts separately (abstract, introduction, methods, results, discussion, references, annexes). The scientific originality (formulation of your own hypotheses), careful planning of data collection, independence and motivation during field work and data analyses are also usually taken into account for the final grade. Supervisors are encouraged to use the entire marking scale, such that an acceptable thesis will attract a 4.5, a good thesis a 5.0, a very good thesis a 5.5 and an exceptionally good (publication-quality) thesis a 6.0. A 4.0 is reserved for work that passes Master thesis standards, 3.5 and lower for work that is not of Master thesis standard. You are entitled to comprehensive feedback from your supervisor.

## Modalités de rattrapage

To be discussed with the supervisor

## Documentation

Available on Moodle