

Nutrition of Aquatic Organisms [167]

COURSE OUTLINE

(1) GENERAL

SCHOOL	ANIMAL BIOSCIENCES		
ACADEMIC UNIT	DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCE		
LEVEL OF STUDIES	UNDERGRADUATE [Required]		
COURSE CODE	167	SEMESTER	9 th
COURSE TITLE	NUTRITION OF AQUATIC ORGANISMS		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES TOTAL		WEEKLY TEACHING HOURS	CREDITS
Theory and Laboratory practice		4	3
TOTAL		4	3
COURSE TYPE	Scientific area		
PREREQUISITE COURSES:	-		
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION and EXAMINATIONS:	GREEK		
IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS:	-		
COURSE WEBSITE (URL):	Lectures: https://oeclass.aua.gr/eclass/modules/document/index.php?course=2713&openDir=/5f9bef764JjO Laboratory practice: https://oeclass.aua.gr/eclass/modules/document/index.php?course=2713&openDir=/5f9bef7fhwRF		
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(2) LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning outcomes
The nutrition of aquatic organisms and especially of farmed fish is one of the most important elements for their successful farming. Most of the production cost of farmed fish is due to the cost of feeding. The competitive environment of aquaculture industry requires scientists who understand both the different rearing conditions and the different physiology of the farmed species. In addition, consumers need foods that are safe and of high nutritional value. Thus, the purpose of the course is to provide students with the necessary knowledge to understand the nutrition of aquatic organisms with an emphasis on fish. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able (according to Bloom) to: • Understand the special nutritional needs of fish and other aquatic organisms compared to terrestrial animals, considering their poikilotherm nature, habitat, and feeding type (Knowledge / Comprehension). • Analyze the qualitative, quantitative, economic, and environmental importance of nutrition in aquaculture (Analysis / Evaluation). • Assess nutritional requirements and formulate feeds for fish and other aquatic organisms (Application / Synthesis). • Work independently and collaboratively in laboratory exercises, and prepare, write, and present reports on specific topics in aquatic nutrition (Application / Synthesis / Evaluation).
General Competences
• Search, analysis and synthesis of data and information, utilizing modern technologies • Adaptation in various conditions • Decision-making • Independent personality • Teamwork skills • Project planning and management • Consideration for the natural environment • Develop judgement and self-criticism • Promotion of free, creatinal and inductive thinking

(3) SYLLABUS

Lectures:

1. Fish nutrition, Energy and nutrient balance
2. Nutrient requirements of fish (energy, proteins-amino acids, fats-fatty acids, vitamins, minerals)
3. Physiology of nutrition and fish metabolism
4. Special nutritional issues for fish larvae
5. Nutritional diseases (pathological conditions due to unbalanced or deficient diets, health problems due to anti-dietary or harmful substances)
6. Feeds formulation (formulation of various categories of fish feed, availability of raw materials)
7. Fish feed production (feed production technologies, storage, management, labels)
8. Feeding practice in aquaculture (daily feeding ratio, number and frequency of daily meals, methods of feeding, etc.)

Laboratory practice:

1. Laboratory exercises for feed/premixes formulation of farmed fish and other aquatic organisms
2. Laboratory exercises to determine apparent nutrient digestibility in fish
3. Laboratory exercises on quality characteristics of food concentrates and available raw materials for the preparation of fish feed.
4. Laboratory exercises on nutrition in aquaculture (feeding ratio, number and frequency of daily meals, methods of feeding, etc.)

(4) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

DELIVERY	Physical (face-to-face)	
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY	• PowerPoint slideshows and video projections during teaching • Teaching activity support through e-class platform • Contact with the students via e-mail	
TEACHING METHODS	Activity	Semester workload
	Lectures	26
	Laboratory practicals focusing on methodology implementation and case studies in small student groups	26
	Individual study	23
	Course total (25 h of workload per ECTS)	75
STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION	I. Lectures (a) Optional attendance of Lectures by students (b) Final written examination (100%) including short answer or multiple-choice questions. II. Laboratory practice (a) Mandatory monitoring of the laboratory exercises by the students, with attendance records (assignments, exercises, etc.). (b) Assessment of skills in laboratory measurements/observations and written examination with short answer or multiple-choice questions. III. The evaluation language is Greek. IV. The evaluation criteria are communicated to the students.	

(5) ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Recommended Literature for Lectures:

(A) Related scientific journals – Publications:

1. Aquaculture
2. Aquaculture Nutrition
3. Aquaculture Research
4. Aquaculture Journal
5. Animal Feed Science and Technology
6. Fish and Shellfish Immunology

Στοιχεία Φυσιολογίας Θρέψεως και Εφαρμοσμένη Διατροφή Ιχθύων και Καρκινοειδών, Μεντέ Ε. & Νεγκας Ι., Εκδόσεις Παπαζήση 2011.

Nutrition and Feeding of Fish and Crustaceans, J. Guillaume, S. Kaushik, P. Bergot, R Métailler, Springer 2001.

Nutrition and Fish Health, C. Lim & C.D. Webster, Food Products Press, 2001.

(B) Digital Educational Materials (e-class):

1. Dimitroglou A., Energy Balance (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
2. Dimitroglou A., Nutrient Requirements of Fish (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
3. Miliou E., Fat and Fatty Acids (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
4. Bithava K., Nutritional Diseases (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
5. Dimitroglou A., Physiology of Nutrition (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
6. Karakatsouli N., Nutrition of Marine Fish Larvae (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
7. Karakatsouli N., Practice of Nutrition (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
8. Dimitroglou A., Formulation of Fish Feeds (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
9. Dimitroglou A., Fish Feed Production (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA

(C) Recommended Textbooks (EVDOXOS):

1. ΔΙΑΤΡΟΦΗ ΙΧΘΥΩΝ. J.E. HALVER, R.H. HARDY, ΕΚΔΟΣΕΙΣ ΠΕΔΙΟ Α.Ε., Κωδικός Βιβλίου στον Εύδοξο: 50658708.
2. ΔΙΑΤΡΟΦΗ ΙΧΘΥΩΝ. ΠΑΠΟΥΤΣΟΓΛΟΥ Σ.Ε., ΕΚΔΟΣΕΙΣ ΣΤΑΜΟΥΛΗ ΑΕ, Κωδικός Βιβλίου στον Εύδοξο: 22695

Recommended Literature for the Laboratory practice:

(A) Related scientific journals – Publications: -

(B) Digital Educational Materials (e-class):

1. Dimitroglou A., Energy Digestibility of Nutrients (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
2. Dimitroglou A., Energy Digestibility of Fish Feeds (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
3. Dimitroglou A., Fish Feed Production (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
4. Karakatsouli N., Nutritional Experiments (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA
5. Dimitroglou A., Preparation of Premixes (lecture presentation, pdf), Dep. Animal Science, AUA