

Spring semester 2026 BSc and MSc in Ecology and Evolution

Compulsory units (for BSc students) are in yellow. Only IEE units are given.

Weeks 1-14 Seminars (S) and journal clubs (JC) are given here. They are not integrated into the weekly schedule and not coordinated.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08:15 - 09:00					
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Systematics JC		Conservation Biology S Macroevolution JC	Integrative Biodiversity S+JC	
11:15 - 12:00	Systematics JC		Conservation Biology S	Integrative Biodiversity S+JC	
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	Evolutionary Ecology S+JC				
14:15 - 15:00	Evolutionary Ecology S+JC Theoretical Ecol/Evol S+JC	Climate Change Ecology C*	Conservation Biology JC Aquatic Ecology S		
15:15 - 16:00	Behavioural ecology S+JC Theoretical Ecol/Evol S+JC	Climate Change Ecology C*	Aquatic Ecology S		
16:15 - 17:00	Behavioural ecology S+JC				
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

** Climate Change Ecology, course: for MSc students only*

Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	16.02.2026	17.02.2026	18.02.2026	19.02.2026	20.02.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Molecular population genetics, research practical			
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Conservation of indigenous vertebrates, lecture	Lecture series in ecology and evolution	Molecular population genetics, research practical	Molecular population genetics, research practical	Stammesgeschichte der Arthropoden
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar	Molecular population genetics, research practical			
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00	Biogeography, lecture		Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology		
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	23.02.2026	24.02.2026	25.02.2026	26.02.2026	27.02.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Molecular population genetics, research practical			
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Conservation of indigenous vertebrates, lecture	Lecture series in ecology and evolution	Molecular population genetics, research practical	Molecular population genetics, research practical	Stammesgeschichte der Arthropoden
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00		Molecular population genetics, research practical			
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00	Biogeography, lecture				Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	02.03.2026	03.03.2026	04.03.2026	05.03.2026	06.03.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Molecular population genetics, research practical	Molecular population genetics, research practical	Molecular population genetics, research practical	
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Conservation of indigenous vertebrates, lecture	Lecture series in ecology and evolution			Stammesgeschichte der Arthropoden
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar	Molecular population genetics, research practical			
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00	Biogeography, lecture		Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology		
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 4

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	09.03.2026	10.03.2026	11.03.2026	12.03.2026	13.03.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Terrestrial ecology, research practical	Terrestrial ecology, research practical	Terrestrial ecology, research practical	
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Conservation of indigenous vertebrates, lecture	Lecture series in ecology and evolution			Stammesgeschichte der Arthropoden
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00					
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution	Terrestrial ecology, research practical			
16:15 - 17:00	Biogeography, lecture		Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology		
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 5

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	16.03.2026	17.03.2026	18.03.2026	19.03.2026	20.03.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Terrestrial ecology, research practical	Terrestrial ecology, research practical	Terrestrial ecology, research practical	
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Conservation of indigenous vertebrates, lecture	Lecture series in ecology and evolution			Stammesgeschichte der Anthropoden
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar	Terrestrial ecology, research practical			
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00	Biogeography, lecture	Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology			
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 6

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	23.03.2026	24.03.2026	25.03.2026	26.03.2026	27.03.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Terrestrial ecology, research practical	Terrestrial ecology, research practical	Terrestrial ecology, research practical	
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Conservation of indigenous vertebrates, lecture	Lecture series in ecology and evolution			Stammesgeschichte der Anthropoden
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	Terrestrial ecology, research practical				
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00	Epigenetics & Evolution	Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology			
17:15 - 18:00	Biogeography, lecture				
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 7

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	30.03.2026	31.03.2026	01.04.2026	02.04.2026	03.04.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Evolutionary Ecology, research practical	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical	
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00	Conservation of indigenous vertebrates, lecture	Lecture series in ecology and evolution			Stammesgeschichte der Anthropoden
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical			
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00	Biogeography, lecture	Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology			
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 8

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	13.04.2026	14.04.2026	15.04.2026	16.04.2026	17.04.2026	
08:15 - 09:00		Evolutionary Ecology, research practical	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical		
09:15 - 10:00						
10:15 - 11:00					Stammesgeschichte der Anthropoden	
11:15 - 12:00	Lecture series in ecology and evolution					
12:15 - 13:00						
13:15 - 14:00		Evolutionary Ecology, research practical				
14:15 - 15:00						
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution					
16:15 - 17:00	Biogeography, lecture		Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology			
17:15 - 18:00						
18:15 - 19:00						

Week 9

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	20.04.2026	21.04.2026	22.04.2026	23.04.2026	24.04.2026	
08:15 - 09:00		Evolutionary Ecology, research practical	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical		
09:15 - 10:00						
10:15 - 11:00					Stammesgeschichte der Anthropoden	
11:15 - 12:00	Lecture series in ecology and evolution					
12:15 - 13:00						
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar	Evolutionary Ecology, research practical				
14:15 - 15:00						
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution					
16:15 - 17:00		Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology				
17:15 - 18:00						
18:15 - 19:00						

Week 10

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	27.04.2026	28.04.2026	29.04.2026	30.04.2026	01.05.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Behavioural ecology, research practical	Behavioural ecology, research practical	Behavioural ecology, research practical	
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00		Lecture series in ecology and evolution			
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00		Behavioural ecology, research practical			
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00			Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology		
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 11

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	04.05.2026	05.05.2026	06.05.2026	07.05.2026	08.05.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Behavioural ecology, research practical	Behavioural ecology, research practical	Behavioural ecology, research practical	Behavioural ecology, research practical
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00		Lecture series in ecology and evolution			
12:15 - 13:00		Behavioural ecology, research practical			
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar				
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 12

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	11.05.2026	12.05.2026	13.05.2026	14.05.2026	15.05.2026
08:15 - 09:00		Behavioural ecology, research practical	Behavioural ecology, research practical	Feiertag (Auffahrt)	
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00		Lecture series in ecology and evolution			
12:15 - 13:00		Behavioural ecology, research practical			
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar				
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution				
16:15 - 17:00		Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology			
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Week 13

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
	18.05.2026	19.05.2026	20.05.2026	21.05.2026	22.05.2026		
08:15 - 09:00		Ecomorphology, lecture with practical	Ecomorphology, lecture with practical	Ecomorphology, lecture with practical	Ecomorphology, lecture with practical		
09:15 - 10:00							
10:15 - 11:00							
11:15 - 12:00		Lecture series in ecology and evolution					
12:15 - 13:00		Ecomorphology, lecture with practical				Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology	
13:15 - 14:00	Writing Science, seminar						
14:15 - 15:00							
15:15 - 16:00	Epigenetics & Evolution						
16:15 - 17:00							
17:15 - 18:00							
18:15 - 19:00							

Week 14

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	25.05.2026	26.05.2026	27.05.2026	28.05.2026	29.05.2026
08:15 - 09:00	Feiertag (Pfingstmontag)	Ecomorphology, lecture with practical	Ecomorphology, lecture with practical	Ecomorphology, lecture with practical	Ecomorphology, lecture with practical
09:15 - 10:00					
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00		Lecture series in ecology and evolution			
12:15 - 13:00		Ecomorphology, lecture with practical			
13:15 - 14:00					
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00		Lecture Series in Behavioral, Theoretical, and Evol. Biology			
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					

Excursions/Practicals in the spring semester, not integrated into the weekly schedule:

Marine and evolutionary ecology research practical, Corsica (1 June to 12 June)

Biology of the honeybee and apiculture, seminar and practical (22 June to 26 June)

Block Excursion Vertebrates 1 (12 February to 13 February)

Block Excursion Vertebrates 2 (26 May to 4 June)

Invertebrates excursion 3: Alpine butterflies (in June)

Invertebrates excursion 4: Fauna of a freshwater pond (in July)

Invertebrates excursion 5: Insects in the city of Bern (Invertebrates)

Invertebrates excursion 6: Spotting, Sampling, and Shooting: Alpine arthropods around Kandersteg (Invertebrates) (in June)

Invertebrates excursion 7: Beetles in the surrounding of Bern (in June)

Invertebrates excursion 9: Orthoptera in different types of meadows (in August)

Evolution of mechanisms regulating behaviour (26 May to 12 June)* **for MSc students only*

Insect Ecology & Systematics (16 June to 25 June)

Bumble bee pathogenesis and epidemiology: From the individual to the population level (20 March to 29 May)* **for MSc students only*