

BirdID WP, online studies

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Autumn 2024 (1. semester)

[BirdID WP Appearance](#)

BID2001
15 sp

Spring 2025 (2. semester)

[BirdID WP Sounds](#)

BID2002
15 sp

Programme description

BirdID WP has two main goals: - to recognize bird species based on their appearance and behavior - and to recognize bird species based on their sounds, especially song

The syllabus consist of species that are registered throughout the Western Palearctic region and according to the syllabus list.

[More information can be found here](#)

Online teaching takes place on the website linked above.

The website contains large amounts of images and sounds where quizzes connected to BirdID's e-book facilitate learning. Citizens of most European countries will be able to use the quiz, e-book and do the exam in their own language.

FIELD-BASED TEACHING: The field courses in Morocco, Bulgaria and Norway can be done independently of each other and in the order the student wishes. It is not compulsory to attend the field courses, but the student must pass both exams before attending.

Application forms for field courses and exams can be found here: www.birdid.no

Learning outcomes

KNOWLEDGE

The student has knowledge about:

Characteristics of the appearance of different taxonomic groups of birds, regardless of age, sex and seasonal variations

Characteristics of birds species appearance, regardless of age, sex and seasonal variations

Characteristics of the sounds of different taxonomic groups of birds, regardless of age, sex and seasonal variations

Characteristics of birds species sounds, regardless of age, sex and seasonal variations

Habitat selection and behavior in birds that are important for species identification

The most common bird species in the Western Palearctic region

SKILLS

The student can:

Determine the species of the most common birds in the field based on appearance and behaviour, regardless of age, sex and seasonal variations

Determine the species of the most common birds on the basis of song, and for some species also on the basis of contact sounds, warning sounds, alarm sounds or other types of sounds

Use habitat and geographical area as aids to assess the probability of whether the presumed species is correct

GENERAL COMPETENCE

The student

Has knowledge of important digital resources about birds

Have trained their ability to detect and species determine birds in the wild

Admission requirements

Please read about admission requirements at www.birdid.no

Teaching sessions

The field courses in Morocco, Bulgaria and Norway can be taken independently of each other and in the order the student wishes. It is not compulsory to attend the field courses. The exams in sounds and appearance of birds must both be passed for WP before it is possible to apply to participate in the field courses.

Costs

There is no tuition fee for students within EU/EEA/ETFA.

Please read more at www.birdid.no

More information for students with citizenship outside te EU/ EEA and Switzerland:

<https://www.nord.no/en/study-programmes/admission/tuition-fees>

Assessment methods

The exam is individual.

The exam is a web-based home exam and consists of bird images/sounds that must be identified by species

A home exam takes about 1 hour.

Before the exam can be taken, the student must complete a work requirement. The work requirement consists of 10 web-based training sets in exam mode with a minimum score of 40%. The work requirement is like a semester assignment, and cannot be started until you have been admitted as a student and have gained access to the assignments. After the work requirement has been passed, the student has 10 days to complete the exam.

It will be possible to take a new exam after three months. You have a maximum of 3 exam attempts. To take a new exam, the student must register again, in the same way. Best results will prevail. The exam result is given on a graded scale.