Erasmus Blended Intensive Program (BIP)



at Vytautas Magnus University Agriculture Academy



October 13-17th, 2025 Kaunas, Lithuania

Wildlife in closer-to-nature forest management 3 ECTS

Registration deadline 12th August, 2025

Registration link

Vytautas Magnus university Agriculture Academy invites students from Erasmus + partner countries to participate in Erasmus BIP "Wildlife in closer-to-nature forest management".

Target group of the planned course:

Students of Forestry, Environmental protection, Ecology and related fields (B.Sc. and M.Sc.)

The objectives of the course are to familiarize students with currently relevant wildlife policy, management and conservation topics in forest ecosystems. We aim to represent wildlife management under different socioeconomic conditions within a wide North-South gradient in Europe.

The course will cover topics about large carnivore population management and society conflicts, restoration of wildlife population, their role in forest ecosystems and agriculture. It is expected the students will gain knowledge and practical experience about modern wildlife management from various European regions including both, to favor EU importance protected species and control over-abundant game species. Aspects of public education for biodiversity through nature-based solutions will also be discussed.

The program includes Fieldtrip to Enclosure of European bison in Dzūkija National Park and VMU hunting area "Bargailiai" in Botanical-zoological reserve "Praviršulio tyrelis", Radviliškis distr.

General information:

Physical mobility part: 13/10/2025 - 17/10/2025

Virtual component: 30/09/2025 Extent of the course: 3 ECTS

Language requirements: English language level B2

Available funding: Erasmus short-term mobility grant (79€/day), to be managed by the sending institution.

Lunch is included in the program sponsored and provided by VMU Agriculture Academy.

Accommodation is not provided. Airbnb or hostel rooms costs ~15-30 Eur per person per day in Kaunas. If you need help finding a place to book, please contact International coordinator at VMU Agriculture Academy Monika Medikienė (monika.medikiene@vdu.lt).

Course leader:

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