

Master Programme VU Bioinformatics and Systems Biology / UvA Life Sciences: Systems Biology and Bioinformatics – 2012-2013

Period 1		Period 2		Period 3	Period 4		Period 5		Period 6
sept	oct	nov	dec	jan	feb	mar	apr	may	jun
Bioinformatics and Systems Biology - Compulsory (24 + 18 ec)									
Fundamentals of Bioinformatics (6ec) VU + UvA	Algorithms in Sequence Analysis (6ec) VU		Biosystems Data Analysis (6ec) UvA	Structural Bioinformatics (6ec) VU			Bioinformatics for Translational Medicine (6ec) VU		Proposal Writing (6 ec) VU # or Thesis Writing (6 ec) UvA # flexible*
Introduction to Systems Biology (6ec) VU + UvA	Systems Biology in Practice (6ec) UvA			Basic Models of Biological Networks (6ec) VU			Advanced Modeling in Systems Biology (6ec) VU #		
							Statistics with R (6ec) VU #		

Optional Recommended Courses

Molecular Structure in Biology (6ec) UvA				Synthetic Biology and Biomedicine (6ec) UvA	iGEM (18-30ec)		
				Computational Biology (6ec) UvA			

Preparatory Bachelor Courses (assigned to address deficiencies; max 12 ec)

Calculus 1 (6ec) VU		Inleiding Programmeren (Python) (6ec) VU		Machine Learning (6ec) VU			
		Collective Intelligence (6ec) VU		Biochemie (3ec) VU	Natuurkunde & Gezondh.(3ec) VU		
				Lineaire algebra I (6ec) VU			
Lineaire algebra voor BWI en N (6ec) UvA							
		Physical Biology o/t Cell I (6ec) VU					

Optional Courses Other Masters (possibly in second year)

Neural Networks (6ec) VU	Stochastic Simulation (6ec) UvA	Understanding Molecular Simulation (6ec) UvA	Scientific Computing (6ec) UvA		Data Mining Techniques (6ec) VU		Complex System Simulation (6ec) UvA	
Evolutionary Computing (6ec) VU	Signal Transduction in Health and Disease (6ec) VU							
Parallel Programming for High-performance Applications (6ec) VU	Advanced Selforganisation (6ec) VU							
Genomes and Gene Expression (6ec) VU	Computer Graphics (6ec) VU							
	Physical Biology o/t Cell (3ec) VU							

Key:

Compulsory	First year: o 42 ects are compulsory: - 24 ects are compulsory for all students - 18 ects differentiate between the Bioinformatics and Systems Biology profiles o 18 ects can be chosen freely. * schedule of Proposal Writing and of Thesis Writing is flexible and not limited to Period 6 in the first year # choose one out of Advanced Modeling in Systems Biology or Statistics with R And one out of Proposal Writing or Thesis Writing	Second year: 60 ects of projects: - major (max. 42 ects) must match profile (Bioinformatics or Systems Biology) - minor (min. 18 ects)
Bioinformatics Profile		
Systems Biology Profile		
Recommended Optional Courses		
Supplementary Courses		
Optional Courses		