"Twelve years of college just so you can serve my lunch. Your parents must be so proud. Toss me another herring, Mr. Marine Biologist."
• Joint International Master Programme
• Supported by Erasmus Mundus → Scholarships available
• Thematic orientation:
  • Marine Biological Resources
  • 5 specialization tracks
• Mobility!
• Connected to a big European Research Infrastructure (EMBRC)
1. Marine food production (#Production)
2. Management of living marine resources (#Management)
3. Applied marine ecology and conservation (#Conservation)
4. Marine environment health (#Environment)
5. Global ocean change (#FutureSeas)
Examples

• Example 1: Interest in “Marine Ecology and Conservation”
  • Semester 1: Ghent University (fundamental courses)
  • Semester 2: Ghent University (Experimental Marine Ecology)
  • Internship & Summerschool
  • Semester 3: GMIT (Galway) (Tools for Marine Conservation)
  • Semester 4: Thesis

• Example 2: Interest in “Marine food production”
  • Semester 1: Ghent University (fundamental courses)
  • Semester 2: GMIT (Galway) (Fish health in Aquaculture)
  • Internship & Summerschool
  • Semester 3: University of Bergen (Aquatic Food Production)
  • Semester 4: Thesis
Joint Elements?

- First Semester: fundamental courses (30 ECTS)
  - Marine policy and governance
  - Marine genomics
  - Quantitative methods in marine science
  - Oceanography
  - Marine ecology
  - Marine GIS and spatial planning
- Internship (12 ECTS) between April and June Year 1
- Annual symposia (End of June)
- Summerschool
- Thesis preparation: Data management / Project management / Science communication
- Thesis work
Summer School

- Research on specific themes in small groups:
  - Research proposal, Research, Data analysis, Report, Presentation, Documentary movie
- Transferable skills events:
  - Presenting skills, movie and photo skills, group dynamics ...
Science communication

http://www.vimeo.com/embc
For who?

- Bachelor degree in sciences
- English knowledge
- Interest in marine sciences
- Interest in a truly international experience!
• Enrollment fee:
  • € 3500 / year for EU students
  • € 4500 / year for non-EU students

• Fee covers:
  • Participation and enrollment costs at all universities
  • Costs for annual symposia
  • Costs for summerschool
  • Insurance
Scholarships and grants?

• Erasmus Mundus Scholarships:
  • For:
    • 12 for non EU students
    • 4 for EU students
  • How much: participation costs + € 1000 per month

• Regular Erasmus mobility funds

• Consortium scholarships:
  • Fee waivers / mobility grants
When and how to apply?

• By when:
  • By 30 March 2017 in case of interest in scholarship
  • By 30 June 2017 for all others (EU)

• How:
  • Complete an application form on the IMBRSEA webpage (5 December 2016)
  • Application:
    • Personal data
    • Study records
    • Motivation
    • Referees
    • Mobility selection

• Scholarship results known by 15 April 2017
Target: 50 – 60 students per year
- Professional practice
- Annual symposia with workshops by employers
- Thesis work
- Thematic orientation matching the fields of employment