

Morphofunctional characteristics of Bravo De Lide Breed

Study programme: MIMV Curricular Year 3th Semester 2th Optional ECTS: 2,5

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1. Contact hours: Lectures - 25, Practical – 10

2. Objectives:

To provide the student with a set of knowledge on the main morphofunctional specificities of the Bravo de Lide breed, from which its use in bullfighting shows derives and which justify the particularities in the approach to these animals, as well as on the most relevant aspects related to management, nutrition, health, reproduction and clinical practice, enabling students to be equipped with a range of fundamental knowledge for professional practice in this area.

3. Programme:

Theoretical: The Bravo de Lide breed in Portugal. Solar dispersion. Animal identification and functional contrasts. Breed standard. Characterisation of the production system. Special care during the different stages of growth. Specific facilities. Animal behaviour and welfare. Stress and pain physiology. General aspects of management, nutrition, feeding, reproduction and health. Main difficulties. Intervention times. Selection of males and females. Main clinical problems. Restraint and anaesthesia. Most common surgeries. Post-mortem examination. Transport. Economic aspects of Bravo de Lide breed production. The role of the veterinary in bullfighting shows. Regulations. The Bravo de Lide breed in other countries.

Practical: Visit to a Bravo de Lide farm to see the work of a veterinarian and different management interventions; visit to a bullring.

4. Bibliography:

Class handouts, lecture notes, scientific and technical papers.

Vasco Lucas, António (2006). Ganadarias Portuguesas. Associação Portuguesa de Criadores de Toiros de Lide.

Legislação taurina.

Purroy, Antonio Unanua (1987). La cria del toro bravo – Arte y progreso. Ed Mundi-Prensa.

Prieto Garrido, José Luis (2008). El toro bravo en el capo. Ed Almuzara, SL.

5. Assessment:

The students' learning is evaluated with a written examination including theoretical and practical subjects.