

## **ECOSYSTEM OCEANOGRAPHY**

**Credits: 5,0 ECTS** 

## **Brief description of contents:**

- Introduction: the pelagic system and its hydrodynamic interactions. Turbulence and small-scale interactions
- Mesoscale structures and biological responses
- Large-scale patterns and global oceanography
- Plankton size structure: ecological and biogeochemical implications
- Trophic analysis in pelagic ecosystems
- The role of pelagic ecosystems in the global biogeochemical cycles
- Regional oceanography in the Gulf of Cádiz, Strait of Gibraltar and Alboran sea
- Applications of remote sensing in biological oceanography (practical classes)
- Methods related to plankton size structure analysis. Case studies: analysis of oceanographic datasets (practical classes)

## **Evaluation system:**

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SYSTEM	WEIGHT
Written or oral exams	50 – 70
Written projects and reports	10 – 30
Presentation of exercises, topics and projects	10 – 30