Master in Life Sciences

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Module title	Green Chemistry
Code	C4
Degree Programme	Master of Science in Life Sciences
Group	Chemistry
Workload	3 ECTS (90 student working hours: 42 lessons contact = 32h; 58h self-study)
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Entry requirements	Basic knowledge in chemistry on the level of a BSc Degree in Chemistry.
Learning outcomes	After completing the module, the students are able to:
and competences	 evaluate the sustainability of industrial chemical and bio-chemical processes using different perspectives
	• explain the different steps of the supply chain (from raw materials to the products end of life) and their impact on sustainability
	 consider environmental, economic as well as social aspects in their assessment of industrial processes
Module contents	From Sustainability to Green Chemistry Metrics
	History of sustainability
	The chemical industry
	12 Principles of Green Chemistry
	Green Chemistry Metrics
	Industrial Green Chemistry
	The fine chemical industry
	 Green manufacturing concepts and their ecological impact
	Green supply chain
	Greenness vs. cost & capital investment
	Solvent and Solvent systems
	Raw materials and environmental concerns are important and discussed as follows:
	Introduction to solvents and solvent systems
	Sustainable raw materials: evaluation/selection of green processes
	 Potential chemicals derived from sustainable raw materials (including processes to get these chemicals)
	 Ethanol production from crops (corn, sugar cane, wheat etc.), methyl-THF, etc. Alternative green solvents and chemicals

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Teaching / learning	Lectures
methods	short seminars
	presentations
	case studies
	• exercises
	demonstrations and self-study
	When pre-readings and pre-course works are required, the students will be informed
	prior to the course.
Assessment of	1. Final examination; up to 12 students oral, from 12 or more students written exam
learning outcome	(100%)
Format	7-weeks
Timing of the	Spring semester, CW 8 - 14
module	
Venue	Mix of online and on-site lectures (in Olten)
Bibliography	Will be announced at beginning of the lectures. Course material can be downloaded
	from the MSLS Moodle platform.
Language	English
Links to other	This module serves as basic course to the spring semester specialisation module
modules	"Green Chemistry – Advanced Concepts" at ZHAW.
Comments	
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