

REGULATION CURRICULUM COMMITTEE BIOLOGY

ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026

If your curriculum differs from a standard learning track, as indicated in the [study guide](#) (= Mt1, usually 60 ECTS-credits per academic year) you have a **personalized learning track** (abbreviated in Dutch as **GIT (geïndividualiseerd traject)**), and used in this text from now on).

A GIT allows you to include course units of different standard learning tracks in your curriculum. This comes with a number of regulations, specific for the biology study programmes. Read these guidelines thoroughly before submitting your study curriculum in Oasis.

General GIT-regulations

- [Please read the general rules here](#) (in Dutch) especially if you're a student with 1st Bachelor courses, or if you're a Bachelorstudent planning to include master courses.

GIT-regulations for the bachelor- and master programmes in Biology

- Read [the text](#) (page3) about the **transitional measures when going to new master programme** (version 9 to 10)!
- You can take up a **maximum of 70 ECTS-credits** per academic year.
- It is your responsibility to choose course units that cause **no overlap of B- or C-hours** (practicals, seminars,...). In other words, you cannot choose a course unit in the next standard learning track that contains B- or C-hours on days that you have to attend B- or C-hours of the lower standard learning track.
- The course units "**Wetenschappelijke methode en bachelorproef**" en "**Veldbiologisch onderzoek**" (in the 3rd standard learning track of the bachelor study programme) can only be taken in the academic year the student will graduate in the Bachelor's programme, if all other bachelor course units have been included or have already been acquired.
- Enrolling for the **Master's programme** is only permitted when you acquired at least 20 ECTS-credits in the 3rd standard learning track of the Bachelor's programme **and if you succeeded for all courses from BA1**.
(a GIT of BA1-courses with the Master's programme is no longer admitted at Ghent University) ([OER](#) art 30).
Moreover, the number of yet to acquire ECTS-credits in the Bachelor's programme (of 2nd and 3rd Bachelor Biology) may not exceed 40 ECTS-credits
- The course unit "**Master's dissertation (Masterproef)**" (of the 2nd standard learning track in the Master's programme) can only be taken in the academic year the student will graduate in the Master's programme, that is when all other master course units have been included or already acquired.
Moreover, the master's dissertation cannot be taken if there are still course units of the Bachelor's programme in your curriculum.
- The course unit "**Academic Grant Writing**" (Schrijven van wetenschappelijke projecten) (1st Master) can only be taken in the first year of the Master's programme if the Master's dissertation will be taken in the following academic year.
- The minor research courses "**Professional Internship I and II** (Beroepsstage I en II)" can only be taken in the academic year you will be able to graduate in the Master's programme, that is when all other Master's course units have been included or acquired.
- Graduating after the 1st semester (January) is possible when you succeeded for all courses of the curriculum. A Master's dissertation can be submitted, defended and evaluated in January, in the 2nd year you include your master's dissertation in your curriculum (that is : **only if you didn't pass the master's dissertation in an earlier academic year**), and if there are no more 2nd semester courses to be taken.