

SILVICULTURE OF TEMPERATE FORESTS 2023

30 June 2023

GENERAL STUDENT INFORMATION

Teaching and teaching location

Teaching begins on Monday 28 August 2023 at 10:30 a.m. in 'Silvicum' in the Silvicum Building, 3 Sundsvägen, S-23053 Alnarp. Most lectures and indoor group work will take place in Silvicum or elsewhere in Alnarp.

In addition to classroom sessions, the course includes regular field study tours, group work in the field, online teaching and discussion sessions, and recorded field lectures and field tours. These form an integral part of the course and the examination requirements. Departure for field tours will be from Alnarp.

Textbooks and other literature

The course is based on three textbooks, some extracts from other books and several journal articles. All of these are mentioned in the enclosed overview of literature and will be available as files for download from the course portal. Other teaching materials and information on field tours and group work will also be made available to you free of charge as pdf-files, and recorded field tours will be available on video. Please contact me if you want access to this already now. - The textbook titles are:

- The silviculture of trees used in British forestry (CAB International, 3rd ed.; ISBN 978-1-78639-392-0),

- Silvicultural systems (Oxford University Press, ISBN 0-19-854670-X) and

- The silviculture and management of coppice woodlands (Forestry Commission, ISBN 0-85538-591-X)

Study tours

Study tours and field trips away from Alnarp are scheduled for 3-8 Sep (Denmark), 11 Sep (Denmark), 13 Sep (Sweden) and 23-28 Sep (Germany). During these periods you will be travelling abroad and need a valid passport. Please note that you will be away also on weekend days. In addition to these, longer tours there will be day tours in Sweden and Denmark at other times during the course.

Tours generally begin and end in Alnarp. Transportation will be in faculty vehicles and rental cars, to be driven by course participants. The tours can only be completed with voluntary drivers. Please contact me, if you volunteer to drive a car on field tours. Transportation and overnight stays will be booked by SLU. During the tours you are covered by SLU's general insurance for students.

This year, the course has received a small grant to support the study tours. You should pay the remaining, direct costs yourself. So, each student should contribute 3,700 SEK towards field tour costs, including transportation and overnight stays. You have to pay this amount directly to SLU. The payment should be completed by bank transfer before 1 Sep 2023. Please mention *STF2023* and *your name* in the field for messages.

From Swedish accounts, please pay to bank giro 5050-7920. From foreign accounts, please transfer the amount to SLU's bank account IBAN SE9212000000012810119104 with Danske Bank, SWIFT/BIC DABASESX.

In addition to these costs, you are expected to pay your own food and other personal needs. No food or drinks will be provided by SLU or by the hosts. You have to shop food and drinks yourself during the tours and shopping should be done outside of normal work hours. While in Germany you will be offered the option some days of eating lunch in a countryside restaurant or a cafeteria at your own cost (price level $\approx 25 \in$ per person, depending on your choice of drink).

During the field tours some students will be appointed field captains for one day to take care of practical arrangements. This includes car keys, chips for bridges, cleaning of cars, contact to youth hostels, etc.

I look forward to seeing you on Monday 28 August.

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