Module Name	Element cycles in the ocean - Stoffkreisläufe im Meer (500040)		
Module Number	MNF-bioc-250		
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Semester / Duration	2. semester / one semester		Status
Regular Cycle	annual, in summer semester		optional
Study Programme	Master of Science in Biological Oceanography		
Classes	Class Title (Teaching Form) Lecturers	Contact Time / Group Size	
	Marine biogeochemical cycles (Lecture)	2 hr per week / 20 students	
	Prof. Dr. Hermann W. Bange		
Credit Points / Workload	2 ECTS / 60 hours		
Prerequisites	Basic knowledge in chemistry, physics, and biology		
Completion Module	None.		
Following Module	None.		
Educational Objectives  Content of Teaching	The goal of this lecture is to gain a deeper understanding of the marine biogeochemical cycles in the water column and their interactions with the atmosphere.  (i) Evolution of biogeochemical cycles (ii) Basic principles and concepts (iii) Nitrogen cycle (incl. N2 fixation, nitrification, denitrification, anammox) (iv) Phosphorus cycle (v) Sulphur cycle		
(vi) Silicon cycle (vii) Trace metal cycles (focus on iron) (viii) Coupling of biogeochemical cycl			·
Examination	A graded oral exam.		
Literature	<ol> <li>"Earth System Science – From biogeochemical cycles to global change" ed. MC Jacobson et al., Academic Press, 2000.</li> <li>"Biogeochemistry – An analysis of global change", 2. Auflage, WH Schlesinger, Academic Press, 1997.</li> <li>"Ocean Biogeochemical Dynamics", JL Sarmiento and N Gruber, Princeton University Press, 2006.</li> <li>"Introduction to Marine Biogeochemistry", 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, SM Libes, Academic Press, 2009</li> </ol>		
Additional Information	This lecture is interdisciplinary. Students interested in chemical oceanography, biological oceanography, marine microbiology and Earth system science are welcome. The lecture will be given regularly every week. Please check UnivIS for exact dates.		