

Apiculture

The Apiculture course attempts to introduce students to the basic concepts of the Science of Apiculture, giving an introductory, but comprehensive, knowledge of the entire spectrum of Apiculture as a science, with less emphasis on practical beekeeping issues. The course begins with the systematics of bees and recognized species around the world. In addition, the description of the morphology and anatomy of the insect follows, and the activities of the bees and the way of organizing the society in the hive are described. Also, focus is given on the products of the hive in terms of composition, nutritional properties, and uses. Finally, a first contact with practical beekeeping issues is made, with reference to the basic beekeeping practices during the year.