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Practice Abstract #81: Agrifood and forestry education in Europe – an informatics approach

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The purpose of the study carried out at Lund University, Sweden, was to identify potential gaps in education in European Masters' programs concerning the 'Inventory of Skills' needed by the next generation of agrifood students to address the global challenges of the future. The 'Inventory of Skills' was developed in the course of the NextFOOD project. For the study, we used an informatics website analysis approach, whereby we looked for specific keywords associated with the skills in agrifood Masters' program websites. We found that food-related programs are strongly associated with the theme Innovation; agriculture programs with the theme Sustainability; and forestry programs with the theme Strategic Management. Potential gaps in education include agriculture and network-building, forestry and Life-Long Learning. Our study can serve as a practical decision-support tool for education managers when developing programs in agrifood education at Masters level. Teachers can see if their programs and individual courses use the vocabulary and concepts from the 'Inventory of Skills', especially educational activities associated with the gaps identified here, and adjust their curricula if needed.



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Syftet med studien, som utfördes av Lunds universitet, Sverige, var att identifiera potentiella luckor i utbildningen i europeiska masterprogram angående de färdigheter som behövs av nästa generations jordbruks och livsmedelsstudenter för att möta framtidens globala utmaningar. Studien bygger vidare på den färdighetsinventering som tidigare utförts inom projektet NextFOOD. För studien använde vi oss av en webbanalysmetod, där vi letade efter specifika nyckelord förknippade med kompetensen för masterprogram för agrifood. Vi fann att livsmedelsrelaterade program är starkt förknippade med temat Innovation, lantbruksprogram med temat Hållbarhet och skogsbruksprogram med temat Strategiskt ledarskap. Bland potentiella luckor i utbildningarna fanns näverksbyggande inom jordbruksutbildningar och livslångt lärande inom skogsbruksutbildningar. Vår studie kan fungera som ett praktiskt beslutsstödsverktyg för utbildningsansvariga vid utveckling av masterprogram inom jordbruks- och livsmedelsutbildning såväl som andra utbildningsaktiviteter och. Lärare kan se om deras program och individuella kurser använder sig av identifierade viktiga begrepp och de luckor som identifierats, och kan vid behov justera sina läroplaner.



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El objetivo del estudio llevado a cabo en la Universidad de Lund (Suecia) era identificar las posibles lagunas en la formación de los programas de máster europeos en relación con el "Inventario de competencias" que necesita la próxima generación de estudiantes de agroalimentación para hacer frente a los retos globales del futuro. El "Inventario de competencias" se desarrolló en el curso del proyecto NextFOOD. Para el estudio, utilizamos un enfoque de análisis de sitios web de informática, mediante el cual buscamos palabras clave específicas asociadas a las habilidades en los sitios web de los programas de másters agroalimentarios. Encontramos que los programas relacionados con la alimentación están fuertemente asociados con el tema Innovación; los programas de agricultura con el tema Sostenibilidad; y los programas de silvicultura con el tema Gestión Estratégica. Las posibles lagunas en la educación incluyen la agricultura y la creación de redes, la silvicultura y el aprendizaje a lo largo de la vida. Nuestro estudio puede servir como herramienta práctica de apoyo a la toma de decisiones para los gestores de la educación a la hora de desarrollar programas de educación agroalimentaria a nivel de máster. Los profesores pueden comprobar si sus programas y cursos individuales utilizan el vocabulario y los conceptos del "Inventario de competencias", especialmente las actividades educativas asociadas a las lagunas aquí identificadas, y ajustar sus planes de estudio si es necesario.