Course	Integrated & Advanced Plant breeding
Course No.	01ER636
Credits	1.5 credits
Grade	2 nd year
Timetable	Fall AB
Instructor	Associate Prof. Valérie Schurdi-Levraud (UB) 、 Associate Prof. Pierre-François Bert (UB) 、 Prof. P. Gallusci (UB)
Course Overview	Plant Breeding plays an important role in the development of plant varieties for food, feed and industrial uses. Plant breeding is conducted by international companies with strategic markets as European and Asian markets. New varieties have to meet current demands regarding yield and biomass production, disease resistance, quality characteristics, salt or drought tolerance and suitability for sustainable plant production systems as organic production. Plant Breeding involves a variety of aspects, ranging from the molecular level as genes cloning to the population level and requires knowledge on molecular biology, physiology, pathology, epigenetics, bioinformatics, biotechnologies and genetics of cultivated plants. The teaching unit will present the challenges of plant breeding for the 21 st century, develop the up-to-date strategies for plant breeding including molecular markers, genes cloning, genomic selection, interaction genotype x environment and associated biotechnologies. Personal project will be conducted on breeding for quality, for resistanceon a chosen species.
Remarks	Conducted in English at University of Bordeaux
Course Type	Lectures/case studies
Link between Course Objectives and Activities	By learning the latest plant breeding techniques and development strategies at an international level, the students deepen their expertise in sustainable food production systems.
Academic Goal	 Students will acquire fundamental knowledge related to plant genetics and breeding. They will understand the present and future challenges in plant breeding and the associated tools. They will understand the plant breeding framework at the world level. 1. Students will be able to describe and explain the interaction between phenotype, genotype and environment; 2. Students will be able to integrate tools to propose a breeding strategy depending on breeding objectives and species; 3. Students will be able to compare national policies related to plant varieties protection.
Course Schedule	 Lectures by researchers in plant breeding and breeders from seed companies. Case studies comparing breeding strategies. Practical on data analyses relating phenotype and genotype related to personal project.
Course Prerequisites and Advisories	
Grading Philosophy (Percentage/ Criteria/ Methodology)	Students are evaluated based on their involvement during class and their report assignments. The case/personal project will have to be presented as a conference to the teachers and other students. Each student has to take part in this presentation. Both the clarity and the accuracy of their presentations will be quoted. Each student will also have to

	answer to precise questions from the audience. The accuracy of their answer will be evaluated.
Self-Directed Learning Other Than Coursework	Scientific papers and case study reports, as assigned.
Textbooks, References and Supplementary Materials	None.
Office Hours	By appointment only.
Other (i.e. Expectations on Classroom, Conduct and Decorum etc.)	
Related Courses	
Keywords	