

ANIMAL BREEDING

AA 2013/2014 – Docente titolare: Dr. Marco TASSINARI – Anno di corso: 1°

Topics	Purpose	Hours
Species, specific sub groups and racial. General characteristics, origin, evolution, distribution and classification of the main cattle breeds (meat, dairy and dual purpose), sheep and goats, pigs, horses and dogs.	Acquire knowledge for the identification and classification of animals, recognize the breeds of farm animals	12
Morphological evaluation: Concepts of animal morphology. Definition of zoognostics. The morphological types depending on the species and functional attitude. General definitions: concepts of beauty, quality, defect, tare. Coat: description, purpose of the description, classification, characteristics. Regions of the body: description, basic anatomical boundaries, strengths, weaknesses and defects of the regions of the head, trunk and limbs (in different species, with particular reference to the horse). Age: assessment techniques, with special reference to the examination of dental board. Livestock breeding methods in practice.	Acquire the fundamental skills for the evaluation from the point of view of the morphological and functional farm animals	19