Self-study (#001-2-3334)

**Lecturer:** Uri Roll

2 credits, 2 weekly hours, fall or spring term, Albert Katz International School for Desert Studies, Sede Boqer Campus, BGU. The course is open to all M.Sc. & Ph.D. student in ecology.

**Course description**

The student will conduct independent research that is not within the framework of his/her thesis. This research will be supervised by the lecturer all the way from the conceptualization phase, through data collection, data analysis, output presentation, and writing it up for scientific publication. The final product will be a scientific paper in a publishable format. Research topics, scope, and methodology are open to the student’s choice – as long as they are feasible within the scope of the course.

**Assignments and grading**

The assignment of this course is producing a manuscript for publication in an accepted journal format (that could be submitted for publication). The final grade will be based on the quality of the work produced throughout (30%), and the final written manuscript (70%).