

# How to allocate time on a field course



Masters students in  
s'Albufera de  
Mallorca

I've got two weeks.

How should I divide up the time?

**Orientation** – to the site and visits to interesting places around the island more generally

**Skills acquisition** – through 'techniques days'

**Group data collection activities**

**Projects** – student selected, individual

Assessment by poster one week after return

# How to divide time - tips

- Local orientation is vital
- Not too much travelling
- Use demonstrators for techniques
- Techniques work best in small groups
- Let students pick their own projects
- Allow plenty of time for project work
- Emphasise safety, practicality and data acquisition
- Poster soon after injects urgency

# Our timetable

- Local orientation – 1 day
- Site visits – 2 days
- Techniques days – 4 days
- Project decision day
- Individual projects – 6 days