



UZH Innovathon

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Ideate

Tackle real world problems



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Innovative because...

- ... its transdisciplinary character makes students, teachers, and industry partners think out of the box
- ... its interdisciplinary teacher set fosters novel approaches (such as peer teaching)
- ... it aims at innovation for established firms as opposed to generating start up ideas
- ... provides a coworking space outside traditional lecture halls, fostering creativity and teamwork

Exemplary because...

- ... its modular structure is designed to be adaptable, allowing various plug and play configurations
- ... it obliges students to work across disciplines and to change perspectives

Innovathon impressions



Idea

- offer a course where students can (1) bring their competencies to life by addressing real world problems, (2) explore a current topic from the perspective of different fields/ disciplines, and (3) experience innovation by going through a design sprint
- build course on the foundation of connecting an interdisciplinary set of students, an interdisciplinary set of teachers, and practice partners

Goals

- provide a dynamic learning space where students build on their academic knowledge and apply it to real-world problems
- mimic the complexity of today's workplaces, preparing students for employment by teaching them how to integrate perspectives from different fields into effective, creative problem-solving
- equip students with a unique learning experience that they can showcase on their CV
- provide a lecture format that offers tools and skills for students' lives that they can hardly learn in other university formats

Success factors / Results

Create a win-win-win situation for

Students: learn how to be creative and innovate, work in interdisciplinary teams, learn how to interact with researchers and industry, get in contact with potential future employers

Teachers: provide room to experiment, leverage different teaching formats of UZH by enabling an exchange between disciplines and faculties, foster links with „real-world“ problems and industry applications

Practice partners: access to talent, new ideas for their problems, image as attractive employer

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+3 ECTS (Fall Semester 2024)

Develop solutions to real-world challenges

INNOVATION

Your ideal elective course?

- Companies will trade their working time with a connection to the topic "Organization of mobility"
- Students will trade from the experiences of different academic disciplines
- Open to students from all faculties, work in interdisciplinary teams
- Gain innovation skills by going through a design sprint process

Sign up to the course booking tool: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=innovathon>

More information: <https://uZH.ch/ufm>



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