Specialized Didactics of Subject Areas

COURSE CONTENT:

Didactics of Sciences

Topics

- 1. History, Epistemology, and Perspectives on STEM and STEM Education
- 2. Cultural, Social Issues in Science Teaching
 - Gender roles, equity in knowledge access, remote education, and teaching
- 3. Literacies in Science Teaching
 - Concepts of scientific literacy, citizenship education, decision-making, debates on socioscientific issues (SSI), social dimensions of science, technoscientific practices, public engagement in science
- 4. Educational Policies, Curriculum, and Assessment in STEM
 - Policy review, curriculum development, evaluation, and literature review on STEM education
- 5. Conceptual Change Theories
 - Conceptual models, studies, theories of cognitive change, concept formation, cognitive development
- 6. Designing Learning Environments Inside and Outside School Settings
 - Theories of collaborative learning
- 7. New Digital Methods in Science Teaching
 - Modeling, experiments, online learning environments, simulations, virtual laboratories
- 8. Role of Models and Representations in Physics
 - Use of visual representations, analogies, metaphors, and models
- 9. Innovative Didactic Approaches in Science Learning and Teaching
 - Design and production of educational materials
- 10. Educational Policies in Science Teaching
 - European framework, international comparative studies (TIMSS, PISA), institutional reforms, and global issues in science policy
- 11. Science Teaching at the University Level
 - Role of universities, learning, and teaching at the higher education level
- 12. Metacognitive Skills
 - Historical development of metacognition, different contexts of metacognitive beliefs, experiences, knowledge, and skills