

SOME DEFINITIONS OF ECOLOGY

From the Greek: ECOS- "home"

LOGOS - "study of"

1. Ecology is the study of plants and animals as individuals and together in populations and biological communities in relation to their environments [Ricklefs]
2. The Study of structure and function of nature [Odum]
3. Scientific natural history [Elton]
4. The study of the distribution and abundance of organisms [Krebs]
5. The study of the interactions between organisms and their environments
6. The economy of nature

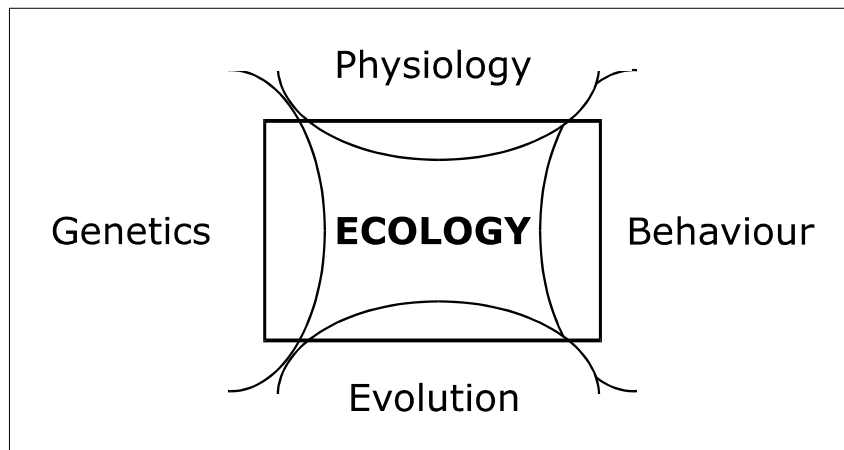


Figure 1: Relationship between Ecology and other sciences