

Cornell University offering free online course on GMOs

Genetically Modified Organisms have been a topic of much controversy. . . Cornell is now offering a Massive Online Open Course on EdX, called 'The Science and Politics of GMO', to help students understand why "the GMO is politically contentious."

Starting September 13, 2016 this five week interdisciplinary course will provide an introduction to genetic engineering and biotechnology in the context of GMOs and help study the politics of GMO at both an individual and a societal level. . .

The course is taught by professors across disciplines, and that is what makes it unique. . . .

[Prof. David Just] rightly describes the course as a "marriage of science and social science." "The GMO issue consists of a new technology with great promise, and the social movements and consumer reactions to that new technology," he said. "A full perspective can only be gained by understanding both the hard science . . . and the social science . . ."

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