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**NOTIFICATION**

Sub: Revised syllabus of M.Sc. in Biosciences programme.

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The revised syllabus of M.Sc. in Biosciences programme which is approved by the Academic Council at its meeting held on 27.09.2022 is hereby notified for implementation with effect from the academic year 2022-23.

Copy of the Syllabus shall be downloaded from the University Website ([www.mangaloreuniversity.ac.in](http://www.mangaloreuniversity.ac.in))

  
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**MANGALORE UNIVERSITY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF BIOSCIENCES**

**SCHEME and SYLLABUS for TWO YEAR (FOUR SEMESTERS) M.Sc. in  
BIOSCIENCES POST GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM UNDER CHOICE BASED  
CREDIT SYSTEM (CBCS)**

**Preamble:**

Based on directions of the University Grants Commission, New Delhi and Karnataka State Higher Education Council, the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS Semester Scheme) has been implemented. Mangalore University directed the Board of Studies (BoS) to frame the syllabus as per the regulations governing the Choice Based Credit System for the Two Year (Four Semester) Post-Graduate Programme. Accordingly, a syllabus approved by the BoS was in place since 2016.

This syllabus has now been revised keeping in mind the recent advancements in the field of Biological Sciences, the knowledge- and skill-based profile expected from a Master's in Biosciences along with fulfilling the requirement for the students' career prospects and was duly approved by the BoS in 2022.

The present M.Sc. in Biosciences Programme under CBCS Scheme has a total of 94 credits with 58 (59.09%) credits from the Hard Core courses, 30 (34.09%) credits from Soft Core courses and 06 (6.97%) credits from Open Electives.

**Programme Outcomes (PO)**

**PO1. Enhancement of state-of-the-art knowledge:** Upgrade knowledge to develop general competencies and analytical skills on an advanced level required for teaching, research, industry, entrepreneurship and public administration in biological sciences.

**PO2. Skill-based use of tools and techniques:** Independently operate various tools and acquire skills for applying appropriate methods to assess samples and carry out innovative studies on basic or applied aspects of biology.

**PO3. Social Responsibility:** Apply the knowledge of life sciences to contextually address specific issues in society with special reference to health and the environment for well-being and sustainable development.

**PO4. Effective Communication:** Effectively communicate diverse aspects of biology through oral presentations, written proposals, dissertations, reports, data analysis, interpretation and documentation.

## **Programme Specific Outcomes (PSO)**

**PSO1.** Gain basic to advanced level knowledge in various branches of life sciences thus enabling students to build the confidence to pursue careers in academics, and industries and become entrepreneurs in India and abroad.

**PSO2.** Empower with skill-based expertise and technical know-how in the field of biological sciences.

**PSO3.** Develop good communication skills with a sound technical background in biological sciences, thus providing a strong foundation for both academic and industrial placements as well as setting up entrepreneurial ventures.

**PSO4.** Evolve in-depth scientific knowledge in various branches of biology.

**PSO5.** Explore, analyze and interpret lab- and field-based data using state-of-the-art techniques and tools in planning and executing innovative projects in life sciences.

### M.Sc. BIOSCIENCES – SCHEME

<b>I SEMESTER</b>	<b>Hrs/week</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>		
BSH401 Biochemistry	4	4
BSH402 Cell Biology	4	4
BSH403 Basic Microbiology	4	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any ONE to be opted)</b>		
BSS404 Genetics	3	3
BSS405 Biochemical Techniques	3	3
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>		
BSP406 Biochemistry Lab	4	2
BSP407 Cell Biology Lab	4	2
BSP408 Basic Microbiology Lab	4	2
BSP409 Genetics Lab	4	2
BSP410 Biochemical Techniques Lab	4	2
<b>II SEMESTER</b>	<b>Hrs/week</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>		
BSH451 Molecular Biology	4	4
BSH452/A Plant and Animal Systematics	4	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any TWO to be opted)</b>		
BSS453 Applied Microbiology	3	3
BSS454 Aquatic Biology	3	3
BSS455 Metabolism and Bioenergetics	3	3
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>		
BSP456 Molecular Biology Lab	4	2
BSP457/A Plant and Animal Systematics Lab	4	2
BSP458 Applied Microbiology Lab	4	2
BSP459 Aquatic Biology Lab	4	2
BSP460 Metabolism and Bioenergetics Lab	4	2
<b>OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES (Any ONE to be opted)</b>		
BSE461 Biodiversity and Conservation	3	3
BSE462/A Eco-friendly Practices	3	3
<b>III SEMESTER</b>	<b>Hrs/week</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>		
BSH501 Animal Physiology	4	4
BSH502 Plant Physiology	4	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any TWO to be opted)</b>		
BSS503 Applied Ecology	3	3
BSS504 Immunology	3	3
BSS505 Ecotoxicology	3	3
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>		
BSP506 Animal Physiology Lab	4	2
BSP507 Plant Physiology Lab	4	2
BSP508 Applied Ecology Lab	4	2
BSP509 Immunology Lab	4	2
BSP510 Ecotoxicology Lab	4	2
<b>OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES (Any ONE to be opted)</b>		
BSE511 Pollution and Bioremediation	3	3
BSE512 Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine	3	3
BSE513 Behavioural biology	3	3
<b>IV SEMESTER</b>	<b>Hrs/week</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>		
BSH551 Biotechnology	4	4
BSH560 Biostatistics and Bioinformatics	4	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any ONE to be opted)</b>		
BSS552 Environmental Physiology	3	3
BSS553 Developmental Biology	3	3
BSS554 Nutritional Biology		
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>		
BSP555 Biotechnology Lab	4	2
BSP556 Environmental Physiology Lab	4	2
BSP557 Developmental Biology Lab	4	2
BSP558 Nutritional Biology Lab	4	2
BSP561 Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Lab	4	2
<b>PROJECT WORK</b>		
BSP559 Project Work (Report/Dissertation and Viva-Voce/Presentation)	4	4

## M.Sc. BIOSCIENCES (CBCS) – SCHEME

### I SEMESTER

Code	Title	Teaching Hrs/week	Exam Hrs	Marks Exams	Marks IA	Total Marks	Credits
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>							
BSH 401	Biochemistry	4	3	70	30	100	4
BSH 402	Cell Biology	4	3	70	30	100	4
BSH 403	Basic Microbiology	4	3	70	30	100	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any ONE to be opted)</b>							
BSS 404	Genetics	3	3	70	30	100	3
BSS 405	Biochemical Techniques	3	3	70	30		
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>							
BSP 406	Biochemistry Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 407	Cell BiologyLab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 408	Basic MicrobiologyLab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 409	Genetics Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 410	BiochemicalTechniques Lab	4	3	35	15		
<b>Total</b>						<b>600</b>	<b>23</b>

### II SEMESTER

Code	Title	Teaching Hrs/week	Exam Hrs	Marks Exams	Marks IA	Total Marks	Credits
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>							
BSH 451	Molecular Biology	4	3	70	30	100	4
BSH452/A	Plant & Animal Systematics	4	3	70	30	100	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any TWO to be opted)</b>							
BSS 453	Applied Microbiology	3	3	70	30	100	3
BSS 454	Aquatic Biology	3	3	70	30		
BSS 455	Metabolism and Bioenergetics	3	3	70	30	100	3
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>							
BSP 456	Molecular Biology Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP457/A	Plant & Animal Systematics Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 458	Applied Microbiology Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 459	Aquatic Biology Lab	4	3	35	15		
BSP 460	Metabolism and Bioenergetics Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
<b>OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES (Any ONE to be opted)</b>							
BSE 461	Biodiversity and Conservation	3	3	70	30	100	3
BSE462/A	Eco-friendly Practices	3	3	70	30		
<b>Total</b>						<b>700</b>	<b>25</b>

### III SEMESTER

Code	Title	Teaching Hrs/week	Exam Hrs	Marks Exams	MarksIA	Total Marks	Credits
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>							
BSH 501	Animal Physiology	4	3	70	30	100	4
BSH 502	Plant Physiology	4	3	70	30	100	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any TWO to be opted)</b>							
BSS 503	Applied Ecology	3	3	70	30	100	3
BSS 504	Immunology	3	3	70	30		3
BSS 505	Ecotoxicology	3	3	70	30		
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>							
BSP 506	Animal Physiology Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 507	Plant Physiology Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 508	Applied Ecology Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 509	Immunology Lab	4	3	35	15		2
BSP 510	Ecotoxicology Lab	4	3	35	15		
<b>OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES (Any ONE to be opted)</b>							
BSE 511	Pollution and Bioremediation	3	3	70	30	100	3
BSE 512	Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine	3	3	70	30		
BSE 513	Behavioural Biology	3	3	70	30		
<b>Total</b>						<b>700</b>	<b>25</b>

### IV SEMESTER

Code	Title	Teaching Hrs/week	Exam Hrs	Marks Exams	Marks IA	Total Marks	Credits
<b>HARD CORE COURSES – THEORY</b>							
BSH 551	Biotechnology	4	3	70	30	100	4
<b>BSH560</b>	Biostatistics and Bioinformatics	4	3	70	30	100	4
<b>SOFT CORE COURSES – THEORY (Any ONE to be opted)</b>							
BSS 552	Environmental Physiology	3	3	70	30	100	3
BSS 553	Developmental Biology	3	3	70	30		
BSS 554	Nutritional Biology						
<b>PRACTICAL COURSES</b>							
BSP 555	Biotechnology Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
<b>BSP561</b>	Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 556	Environmental Physiology Lab	4	3	35	15	50	2
BSP 557	Developmental Biology Lab	4	3	35	15		
BSP 558	Nutritional Biology Lab	4	3	35	15		
<b>PROJECT WORK</b>							
<b>BSP559</b>	Project Work (Report/Dissertation & Presentation/Viva-voce)	4 (Guidance)	-	70	30	100	4
<b>Total</b>						<b>550</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>						<b>2,950</b>	<b>82 + 6*</b>

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**NOTE:**

**BASIS FOR INTERNAL ASSESSMENT:** Internal Assessment marks in theory papers shall be awarded on the basis of theory tests (70 Marks), Objective tests (15 Marks), Seminars, and Assignments (15 Marks). The marks obtained shall be reduced to 30. Practical Internal Assessment marks shall be based on practical tests and records. 30 marks for Practical Test and 05 marks for Class Records. The marks obtained shall be reduced to 15. 30 marks for Project Work (Report/Dissertation and Presentation/Viva).

**THEORY QUESTION PAPER PATTERN:** Question Papers in all four semesters consist of three sections (The model question paper is enclosed). Part -A: Write short notes on any eight out of 10: (8x2=16 Marks). Part - B: Answer any five questions out of 7 (5x6=30 Marks). Part - C: Answer any three questions out of 5: (3x8=24 Marks). Questions are to be framed from all the units of the syllabus by giving equal weightage.

**PRACTICAL QUESTION PAPER PATTERN:** 30 marks for practical exam proper (Major experiment - 10 marks, Minor experiments - 5x2=10 marks, Identity and Comment - 5x2=10 marks) and 05 marks for Class Record.

**PROJECT WORK** to be conducted either in the Department or any other Institution or in an Industry under the supervision of a teaching faculty. Evaluation is based on Project Report/Dissertation and Presentation/Viva carry, which carry 70 marks.

## **M.Sc. BIOSCIENCES (CBCS Semester Scheme) SYLLABUS**

### **I SEMESTER**

#### **HARD CORE COURSES**

#### **BSH 401 BIOCHEMISTRY**

##### **Course Outcomes:**

*Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

CO 1. Have in-depth knowledge of biochemistry and appreciate the knowledge of biochemistry in the day-to-day life

CO 2. Demonstrate an understanding of basic biochemical principles with reference to the structure and functions of proteins, carbohydrates and lipids, and their metabolic pathways.

CO 3. Understand the mechanisms of transport and excretion of cholesterol and sterols

CO 4. Know the clinical relevance of studying biomolecules and metabolic disorders.

##### **Unit I (13 hours)**

Carbohydrates: Classification, chemistry and properties of monosaccharides - Pentoses, hexoses, deoxyglucoseamino sugars, muramic acid, neuraminic acid, disaccharides - Linkage in sucrose, lactose and maltose, polysaccharides– Homo-and hetero-poly saccharides -starch, cellulose, glycogen, hyaluronic acid, chondroitin sulphate chitin, xylans, bacterial cell wall and blood group polysaccharides, glycoproteins. Metabolism of carbohydrates: Pathways and regulation. Glycogenesis and Glycogenolysis. Anaerobic glycolysis, Citric acid cycle, Hexose monophosphate shunt. Gluconeogenesis. Coordinated control of metabolism.

##### **Unit II (13 hours)**

Amino acids and Proteins: Classification, chemistry and properties of amino acids and proteins. Primary, secondary (alpha helix, beta pleated sheets), tertiary (fibrous - Collagen, globular - Myoglobin) and domain structure of proteins. Reverse turn and Ramachandran plot. Helix - coil, transition. Quaternary structure – Hemoglobin. Energy terms in biopolymers. Conformational calculations, hydrogen bonding, hydrophobic, electrostatic and Vander Waals interactions. Lipoprotein metabolism and associated disorders.

##### **Unit III (13 hours)**

Lipids. Classification, chemistry and properties of lipids. The biological role of phospholipids, Sphingolipids, Glycolipids and Plasmalogens. Structure of cholesterol, Structure and function of essential fatty acids, Eicosanoids, Prostaglandins, Thromboxanes, Leukotrienes. Metabolism of lipids. Biosynthesis of fatty acids, oxidation of fat and fatty acids - beta, alpha and Omega oxidation. Ketogenesis and ketolysis. Biosynthesis of phospholipids. Triacylglycerol biosynthesis and role of adipose tissues. Biosynthesis, transport and excretion of cholesterol and sterols.

#### Unit IV (13 hours)

Protein and amino acid metabolism. Nitrogen balance, transamination and deamination. Catabolism of phenylalanine, tyrosine, tryptophan, sulphur-containing amino acids, creatine and creatinine. Urea cycle and disorders.

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## **BSH 402 CELL BIOLOGY**

### **Course Outcomes:**

*Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Know the ultrastructural organization and functions of organelles of prokaryotes and eukaryotes.
- CO 2. Comprehend the general structure and molecular organization of chromosomes.
- CO 3. Gain theoretical knowledge of how to use basic tools and techniques such as microscopy, centrifugation, autoradiography and centrifugation
- CO 4. Explain the physiochemical properties of biological membranes with structural and functional insights.
- CO 5. Understand the components of cell cycle control, mechanisms of cell division, apoptosis and senescence.
- CO 6. Understand how cells communicate with one another and the role of various messenger molecules in signal transduction.

### **Unit I (13 hours)**

Structural Organization & Function of Intracellular Organelles: Function & structure of cytoskeleton & its role in motility, chloroplast, vacuoles, plastids, peroxisomes, endoplasmic reticulum, lysosomes, Golgi bodies, mitochondria, nucleus, cell wall. Secretory and endocytotic pathway. Cytoskeleton-microtubules, microfilaments, intermediary filaments. Centriole, cilia, flagella and cell motility. Eukaryotic chromosome - Ultrastructure and molecular organization. Nucleosome model of chromatin structure, Heterochromatin and Euchromatin, Ultrastructure of Giant chromosomes, Structure and function of centromere and telomere. Microscopy: principles and applications of Light, Phase contrast, fluorescence, laser confocal, scanning and transmission electron microscopy. Autoradiography, cytophotometry and flowcytometry and centrifugation. Cytochemical and histochemical staining techniques.

### **Unit II (13 hours)**

RBC as a Model membrane. Various models for membrane structure; Singer and Nicolson's model. Physicochemical properties of biological membranes – compositions, molecular organization, Membrane asymmetry – lipids, proteins and carbohydrates, lateral diffusion, membrane domains – caveolae, rafts. Transport across biomembranes- Energetics of membrane transport, Donnan membrane equilibrium, simple diffusion, osmosis, facilitated diffusion and active transport. Carrier proteins, Ion channels (voltage- and ligand-gated), Bacterial  $K^+$  leak channel & aquaporin channels. Electrical properties of membranes- Membrane potential, Mechanisms of nerve conduction. Transmission across the electrical and chemical synapses. Mechanisms of endocytosis and exocytosis.

### Unit III (13 hours)

Components in cell cycle control - Cyclins, CDKs in yeast and mammalian cells. Check- points in the cell cycle. Mechanics of Cell Division- Different stages of mitosis. Cohesins and Condensins in chromosome segregation, Microtubules in spindle assembly, Structure of kinetochore, centrosome and its functions, Sister Chromatid separation. Cytokinesis role of actin & myosin in the generation of the contractile ring. Meiosis – Significance. Chiasma formation - Synaptonemal complex. Recombination during meiosis - recombination nodules. Apoptosis: Mechanisms by internal signals and external signals, factors affecting apoptosis. Cell senescence.

### Unit IV (13 hours)

Various types of cell signaling-endocrine, paracrine, juxtacrine and autocrine; Signaling molecules – hormones, neurotransmitters, gases, lipids, and peptides. Overview of receptors: types (membrane and intracellular receptors), structure and regulation - G-protein coupled receptors, Ion channel receptors, Tyrosine kinase linked receptors & Receptors with intrinsic enzyme activity (RTK) and nuclear receptors. Cell-cell adhesion, cell junctions; Extracellular matrix, extracellular matrix receptors. Cell-cell and Cell-matrix interaction (Integrins and selectins and their interaction). Cellular hallmarks of cancer, Molecular biology of cancer development, Cell transformation mechanisms, benign and metastatic tumour, Protooncogenes, Oncogenes and tumour suppressor genes; Carcinogen- types.

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## **BSH 403 BASIC MICROBIOLOGY**

### **Course Outcomes:**

*Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Understand basic concepts, historical perspectives and contributions in Microbiology.
- CO 2. Understand the evolution of prokaryotic and eukaryotic metabolism
- CO 3. Learn about microbial nutrition and the culture of microbes in the laboratory.
- CO 4. Discern various factors affecting the growth and death of microorganisms.
- CO 5. Explain the microbial metabolic pathways with their applications.

### **UNIT I (13 hrs)**

Introduction to microbiology, historical perspectives, contributions of early microbiologists, Koch Postulates. Branches and scope of microbiology. Origin and evolution of microorganisms, the discovery of anaerobic life, evolutionary chronology, and trends in the evolution of archaebacteria, eubacteria and eukaryotes. Evolution of prokaryotic and eukaryotic metabolism. Modern methods of tracing and analysis of evolution.

### **UNIT II (13 hrs)**

Microbial diversity, habitats, life cycles, structure and classification of bacteria, cyanobacteria, actinomycetes, fungi and viruses. Pathogenic microorganisms: bacteria, mycoplasmas, rickettsias, chlamydias and protozoa.

Microbial nutrition and cultivation: Nutritional categories of microorganisms, the role of microbial nutrients; cultivation of aerobes, anaerobes and facultative, obligate pathogens and viruses. Selective media, selective isolation and methods of preservation of microbes.

### **UNIT III (13 hrs)**

Microbial growth, population and growth curves, generation time, batch and continuous cultures (e.g. chemostat, turbidostat), measurement of growth, microbiological assays (e.g. antibiotics, amino acids and vitamins).

Factors affecting the growth and death of microorganisms: temperature, pH, water activity, O-R potential, salinity, hydrostatic pressure, disinfectants, antiseptics and chemotherapeutic agents. Methods of sterilization.

### **UNIT IV (13 hrs)**

Microbial metabolism: Energy sources and classification; metabolism in autotrophs, heterotrophs; hexose and pentose phosphate pathways; synthesis of peptidoglycan, intermediary metabolism and secondary metabolites. Aerobic and anaerobic respiration, fermentation, electron transport system and substrate phosphorylation.

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## SOFT CORE COURSES

### BSS 404 GENETICS

#### Course Outcomes:

*Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

CO 1. Gain in-depth knowledge in Genetics

CO 2. Understand principles governing the inheritance and variations

CO 3. Comprehend recombination in bacteria and development of rDNA technology.

CO 4. Understand the phenomenon of mutation and learn skills to detect mutations

#### Unit I (13 hours)

Historical perspectives and scope of Genetics; Principles of Mendelian inheritance; Modifications of Mendelian monohybrid and dihybrid ratios-Incomplete dominance, Codominance, Lethal genes and Multiple alleles. Applications of Mendel's principles- the punnet square method, forked-line method, probability method; Formulating and testing genetic hypothesis-the chi-square-test, linkage and crossing over. Cytological basis of inheritance: Linkage and crossing over; Genetic mapping of chromosomes. Sex determination, Dosage compensation in mammals and drosophila. Sex-linked inheritance (*Drosophila* and Human). Sex-related traits, genetic disorders.

#### Unit II (13 hours)

Genetics of Bacteria: Transformation, transduction, Conjugation - Plasmids. Extra chromosomal inheritance with examples; Genomic organization in prokaryotes and eukaryotes; Laws of DNA constancy and C - value paradox. Mutations: Classification, types of mutations-deletion, duplication, translocation and inversion, spontaneous and induced mutations, molecular mechanisms of mutations. Biochemical basis for mutations; Detection of mutations – mutagenicity testing - Ames test, tests in drosophila (DLT, CIB, SLRL, SMART, ARLT) and mouse (DLT, MNT, Mitotic and meiotic, specific locus test, HMA)

#### Unit III (13 hours)

Genetic recombination at Molecular level: Reciprocal recombination, site-specific recombination, models of recombination (Holliday model), Role of Rec A in Recombination. Transposable genetic elements: Bacterial transposons, Is elements, Composite transposons, Tn3 elements, Eukaryotic transposons-Ac and Ds elements in maize; P elements and Hybrid dysgenesis, Retrotransposons. Alu sequences. Human genetics: Human chromosomes, Chromosomal abnormalities-Sex chromosomal and autosomal; Genetic diseases, Pedigree analysis and genetic counseling, gene therapy.

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## BSS 405 BIOCHEMICAL TECHNIQUES

### Course Outcomes:

*Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Know the principle and applications of basic biochemical techniques.
- CO 2. Understand the role of biological solutions and calculations
- CO 3. Understand principle, instrumentation, applications and types of chromatography
- CO 4. Know the principle, instrumentation, applications and types of centrifugation
- CO 5. Understand the principle, instrumentation, applications and types of electrophoretic techniques

### Unit I (13 hours)

**Biological Solutions:** preparation of solutions-Normality, molarity and molality: Acids and Bases, Buffers, salting in, salting out, Osmosis, Dialysis, Donnan Membrane Equilibrium, Viscosity of macromolecules, relationship with conformational changes, Density. **Chromatography** Principles of partition chromatography, paper, thin layer, column chromatography, ion exchange and affinity chromatography, gas chromatography, gel permeation chromatography, HPLC and FPLC.

### Unit II (13 hours)

**Centrifugation** Principles of centrifugation, Svedberg's constant, concepts of RCF, different types of instruments and rotors, preparative, differential and density gradient centrifugation, analytical ultra-centrifugation, determination of molecular weights and other applications, subcellular fractionation. Filtration methods: Invention of filtration method. Various types of filter membranes and their applications.

### Unit III (13hours)

**Electrophoretic techniques** Principles of electrophoretic separation. Continuous, zonal and capillary electrophoresis, different types of electrophoresis including paper, cellulose, acetate/nitrate and gel. Electroporation, pulse field gel electrophoresis, PAGE, SDS- PAGE and Iso electro focusing.

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## **PRACTICAL COURSES**

### **BSP 406 BIOCHEMISTRY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After undergoing the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Develop skills required for biochemical qualitative and quantitative work
  - CO 2. Learn methods to proteins, carbohydrates, lipids and NPN substances.
  - CO 3. Operate instruments used in biochemistry labs
  - CO 4. Conduct biochemical tests to diagnose some metabolic diseases.
1. Handling of pipette and understanding accuracy and precision of pipette
  2. Qualitative analysis of carbohydrates: monosaccharides, disaccharides and polysaccharides
  3. Qualitative tests for the proteins,
  4. Qualitative tests for lipids and NPN substances.
  5. Preparation of buffers and their pH determination
  6. Preparation of normal, molar and percent solutions
  7. Understand serial dilutions
  8. Estimation of amino acids and nitrogen analysis by Micro-Kjeldahl method
  9. Enzyme activity: Effect of temperature, pH,  $K_m$  determination

10. Spectrophotometric estimation of metabolites: serum protein, sugar, creatinine, urea, uric acid
11. Colorimetric analysis of vitamins, ascorbic acid, etc.,
12. Estimation of plant phenolics
13. Tests to measure glycosuria, proteinuria, etc

### **BSP 407 CELL BIOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After undergoing the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Acquire skills required in Cell Biology
- CO 2. Learn methods to study cell division and cell cycle
- CO 3. Develop skills in histological staining techniques to isolate the sub-cellular organelles.
- CO 4. Perform experiments in cell biology

1. Micrometry and camera lucida drawings
2. Cell (RBC) counting using haemocytometer
3. Study of plasmolysis in cells of *Rheo* leaves.
4. Determination of mitotic index in onion root tips
5. Preparation of tissues for histology, Sectioning & Staining - Differential staining of tissue sections
6. Histochemistry-localization of a) Carbohydrates b) Proteins c) Nucleic acids
7. Hematoxylin staining and study on histology of liver, intestine, stomach, ovary, etc.,
8. Study of mitotic stages in onion root tip
9. Study of meiosis in Onion inflorescence/grasshopper testis
10. Study of chromosomal aberration in *Allium cepa* after chemical induction
11. Trypan blue exclusion test of cell viability

12. Isolation of Subcellular organelles
13. Measurement of Na-K ATPase in membrane fractions
14. Determination of osmotic fragility of erythrocyte membranes
15. Observation of microscopic slides to study the properties of cancer cells

### **BSP 408 BASIC MICROBIOLOGY LAB.**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After undergoing the course, students will be able to :*

CO 1. Understand basic techniques and instrumentation in microbiology.

CO 2. Apply the techniques of sterilization of media and glassware.

CO 3. Isolate, identify and culture microorganisms

CO 4. Perform microbial motility tests.

CO 5. Execute the filter sterilization and microbial isolation.

1. Introduction to basic techniques and instrumentation in microbiology
2. Microscopic observations of microorganisms and micrometry
3. Staining techniques: Properties of stains, microbial smear preparation, simple and differential staining for morphological studies, Gram's staining, endospore staining, intracellular lipids, acid-fast staining, flagella, viability tests and relief (negative) staining;
4. Microbial motility tests.
5. Microbial culture media, microbial growth
6. sterilization of media and glassware, filter sterilization
7. Stock culture, subculture, maintenance of culture.
8. Techniques of microbial isolation.

## **BSP 409 GENETICS LAB**

### **Course Outcomes:**

*After undergoing the course, students will be able to:*

CO 1 Understand the importance of *D. melanogaster* as an excellent model in Genetics.

CO 2 Maintain and conduct experiments using *D. melanogaster*.

CO 3 Conduct crossing experiments to learn Mendelian and non-Mendelian Genetics

CO 4 Solve genetic problems such as legal issues like paternity and maternity disputes.

1. Salient features and method of maintenance of *Drosophila melanogaster* culture.
2. Techniques for handling and examining the flies.
3. Preparation of salivary gland chromosomes of *D. melanogaster* and identification of different arms.
4. Preparation of salivary gland chromosomes in *D. nasuta*
5. Identification of blood types in humans.
6. Experiments to demonstrate patterns of inheritance of a few characters (Crossing).
7. Study of (i) mating behaviour in *Drosophila* (ii) somatic mitosis in *Drosophila*.
8. Biochemical separation of eye pigments in *Drosophila*
9. Genetic problems.

## **BSP410 BIOCHEMICAL TECHNIQUES LAB**

### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Separate the mixtures by planar and column chromatographic techniques.
- CO 2. Undertake quality analyses required in food industry by identifying additives, vitamins, preservatives, proteins, sugars and aminoacids.
- CO 3. Use UV-Vis spectrophotometry for estimation.
- CO 4. Operate flame photometry.
- CO 5. Perform electrophoretic techniques for separation and determination of molecular weight.
- CO 6. Perform immune-diffusion techniques and ELISA for detecting presence and quantity of antigens.
- CO 7. Use centrifugation for separation of molecules.

1. Ascending, descending and circular paper chromatography for separation of amino acids/carbohydrates
2. TLC of amino acids (1D and 2D)/carbohydrates
3. UV-Visible Spectrophotometry-verification of Beer Lambert's law
4. Flame photometry and its application in the estimation of serum, calcium, potassium and lithium and sodium.
5. HPLC(Demonstration)
6. Gel electrophoresis- native and SDS-PAGE and estimation of molecular weight of Proteins
7. ELISA for quantification of an antigen.
8. Immunodiffusion
9. Centrifuge use and application of centrifugations techniques for separation
10. Separation by filtration technology



## II SEMESTER

### HARD CORE COURSES BSH 451 MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

#### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Understand the molecular basis of life.
- CO 2. Know the role of various enzymes involved in DNA replications.
- CO 3. Comprehend gene transcription and its regulation in prokaryotes and eukaryotes.
- CO 4. Understand protein synthesis and post-translational modifications
- CO 5. Understand the role of non-coding RNAs and miRNAs.

#### Unit I (13 hours)

Central dogma of molecular biology and its modification. Structure of nucleic acids; structure of DNA, topology, forms of DNA, repetitive DNA, DNA polymerases, DNA ligases, topoisomerases, gyrases, methylases, nucleases and restriction endonucleases, Ribonucleoproteins, Structure of m-RNA, Three dimensional structure of t- RNA, Heterochromatization, transposition, regulatory sequences and transacting factors, homologous recombination

#### Unit II (13 hours)

Organization of transcriptional units, Mechanism of DNA transcription in prokaryotes and eukaryotes, RNA processing (capping, polyadenylation, splicing, introns and exons), RNA polymerase, types, promoter initiation and transcription, DNA replication (Eukaryotes and prokaryotes) - Semi conservative, replication in *E.coli* and Eukaryote, control of replication, Replication in phage, plasmid and mitochondria, inhibitors of RNA synthesis and their mechanism of action, polycistronic and monocistronic RNAs, post transcriptional modification.

#### Unit III (13 hours)

Protein synthesis in prokaryotes and eukaryotes, role of ribosomes and different types of RNA in protein synthesis, basic feature of genetic code - Triplet codon, Assignment of codons, degeneracy, variation in codon usage, universality, Amino acid activation, mechanism of initiation, elongation and termination, post translational modifications - Protein folding, role of chaperons. O and N glycosylation, Fatty acylation, attachment of glycosyl anchor, phosphorylation, other modifications, inhibitors of protein synthesis.

#### Unit IV (13 hours)

Molecular basis of signal transduction in bacteria, plant and animals, Regulation of gene expression in bacteria and eukaryotes - fine structure of eukaryotic gene, exons, introns, repetitive DNA, Promoters enhancers, silencers, regulatory sequences, DNA-binding Proteins. Organization of Prokaryotic and eukaryotic genes, gene families, tandemly repeating genes, pseudogenes. **Operon Model:** Lac operon, catabolite repression. Negative and positive control, Trp operon attenuation, antitermination. Non-coding RNAs, microRNAs.

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## **BSH452/A PLANT AND ANIMAL SYSTEMATICS**

**Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:**

CO 1: Understand and appreciate how important biosystematics is to know the concept of basic principles of evolutionary relationships and taxonomy.

CO 2: Know how to categorize classification and construct the phylogenetic tree and its analysis.

CO 3: Classify animals according to their characteristic features

CO 4: Know the principles and rules of ICBN and ICZN and gain confidence in plant and animal classification.

### **Unit I (13 hours)**

Biosystematics: an introduction; Origin and evolution of angiosperms; co- evolution of angiosperms and animals; methods of illustrating evolutionary relationship (phylogenetic tree, cladogram); Basic principles of identification, nomenclature, classification of angiosperms; Evidence from palynology, Cytology, Phytochemistry, Embryology, Morphology, Anatomy, and molecular data - rRNA genes, Cytochrome B, Cytochrome C, Cytochrome C oxidase and other conserved sequences; Numerical approaches.

### **Unit II (13 hours)**

Field inventory: Functions and importance of Herbarium; Virtual herbarium; Botanical gardens of India; Documentation: Flora, E-flora; Monographs, Journals; Keys: Single access and Multi-access. Botanical nomenclature: Principles and rules of ICBN; Ranks and names; the principle of priority, binomial system; type method, authorization, valid-publication, rejection of names; Typification. Families of Angiosperms: Descriptive studies of Magnoliaceae, Rosaceae, Rubiaceae, Liliaceae, Poaceae and Orchidaceae.

### **Unit III (13 hours)**

Classification and Phylogenetic Analysis: Components of classification; Procedure of classification (phenetic and cladistic), presentation of classification - Linnaean/Taxonomic hierarchy, ways of constructing a phylogenetic tree. Phylogenetic analysis - Purpose, terminology, methods of phylogenetic analysis (Phenetic method, dendrogram method, pairwise distance; Cladistics method, parsimony, maximum likelihood); phylogenetic lineages.

### **Unit-IV (13 hours)**

Zoological Nomenclature: International code of zoological nomenclature (ICZN); International rules of nomenclature – Historical and contemporary situation; Operative principles and important rules of nomenclature; Latin words and abbreviations and Linnaean Signs; DNA bar-coding, the taxonomic bottleneck, digitization of taxonomic data.

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## SOFT CORE COURSES

### BSS 453 APPLIED MICROBIOLOGY

#### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Understand the applications of Microbiology in biomedical and industrial fields.
- CO 2. Comprehend the beneficial and harmful interactions of microbes with other organisms.
- CO 3. Use fermentation for production of ethanol, lactic acid and other industrial products.
- CO 4. Gain theoretical knowledge of food microbiology, prevention of air- and food-borne diseases and food poisoning.
- CO 5. Gain the basics of soil microbiology and its allied applications in agriculture.
- CO 6. Know the importance of aquatic microbiology and learn water purification and assessment of drinking water quality.

#### UNIT I (13 hrs)

Microbial Ecology: Microbial symbiosis, mutualism, plant-microbe interactions (e.g. mycorrhizas), animal-microbe interactions (human, ruminants and non-ruminants). Microbes in extreme environments - hydrothermal vents and coral reefs. Microorganisms as bio-indicators. Microbial bioremediation - role in environmental management, advantages and disadvantages. Ecological implications of genetically modified microorganisms.

Fermentation: Ethanol, lactic acid, mixed acids, 2-3 butanediol, co-tridial and propionic acid fermentation with emphasis on their ecological niches, merits and demerits.

#### UNIT II (13 hrs)

Food Microbiology: Classification of foods and oriental foods; Basic principles of food spoilage and methods of food preservation; Milk and milk products, milk microflora and their estimation, milk-borne diseases and prevention; Food poisoning, food-borne diseases and prevention.

Air Microbiology: Microflora of air and methods of their estimation, monitoring air allergens, air-borne diseases and prevention.

#### UNIT III (13 hrs)

Soil Microbiology: Soil microflora and methods of their estimation, role of soil microorganisms, bioconversion and decomposition. Biological nitrogen fixation (symbiotic and non-symbiotic), microbial phosphorus solubilization and their importance in soil fertility and agriculture.

Aquatic Microbiology: Microbes in water and wastewater and methods of their estimation (e.g. MPN), drinking water microbial standards and water purification; Water-borne diseases and prevention.

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## BSS 454 AQUATIC BIOLOGY

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Gain theoretical knowledge in hydrobiology, abiotic factors and aquatic organisms.
- CO 2. Know how aquatic organisms adapted during the course of evolution.
- CO 3. Comprehend the importance of estuaries, mangroves, marshes, tidal flats, coastal wetlands and coral reef community.
- CO 4. Realize the impacts of aquatic pollution and how to use the biological strategies to prevent the pollution.
- CO 5. Know the basic concepts of biological productivity of both flora and fauna.
- CO 6. Gain the knowledge how to collect, separate and classify planktons, and their importance.
- CO 7. Appreciate the economic importance of hydrophytes and halophytes.

### UNIT I (13 hrs)

Hydrobiology: Properties of water including sea water. Hydrological cycle. Ocean water movement - El nino effects. Structural and functional adaptations of aquatic organisms to the abiotic factors such as temperature, light, salinity, pressure and dissolved oxygen.

### UNIT II (13 hrs)

Aquatic ecosystems: Freshwater habitats - wetland and swamps, tank/pond, river, lake/reservoir. Physico-chemical conditions and biological composition of estuaries, mangroves/marshes, tidal flats and coastal wetlands. Marine habitats - types of sea shore environmental parameters and adaptations of pelagic, benthic and deep sea organisms. Coral reef community – bleaching. Aquatic pollution, characteristics, sources and types. Eutrophication, algal blooms, red tide, shellfish poisoning. Biological control of aquatic pollution. Ganga action plan.

### UNIT III (13 hrs)

Biological productivity: Basic concepts. Factors affecting productivity, measurement of productivity: Leibig's law of minimum, Shelford's law of tolerance. Production and distribution of aquatic fauna; Planktonology-classification, distribution, collection and separation of plankton; blooms/ swarms of plankton and algal production. Hydrophytes - types, adaptations, distributions and economic importance. Halophytes - types, adaptations, economic importance. Sea weed -types and their distribution and economic importance.

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## BSS 455 METABOLISM AND BIOENERGETICS

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Understand the mechanisms and regulation of anabolic and catabolic processes
- CO 2. Know various disorders associated with metabolic pathways.
- CO 3. Understand the physiological importance and metabolism of vitamins.
- CO 4. Comprehend the concept of bioenergetics and thermodynamic principles in biology.

### Unit I (13 hours)

Overview of metabolism, Metabolism of carbohydrates, pathways and regulation, gluconeogenesis, glycogenolysis, anaerobic glycolysis, citric acid cycle, hexose monophosphate shunt. Metabolism of lipids, Biosynthesis of fatty acids, Oxidation of fat and fatty acids, beta, alpha and omega oxidation, ketogenesis and ketolysis, metabolisms of acylglycerols and sphingolipids, cholesterol synthesis, transport and excretion, lipoprotein metabolism

### Unit II (13 hours)

Protein and amino acid metabolism, nitrogen balance, transamination and deamination, catabolism of aromatic and sulphur containing amino acids, urea cycle and disorders, Metabolisms of purines and pyrimidines, metabolism and functions of fat soluble A, D, E and K and water soluble B complex (B1, B2, B3, B5, B6, B7, B9 and B12) & C vitamins

### Unit III (13 hours)

Bioenergetics, Thermodynamic principles in biology, Concept of free energy. Energy rich bonds, Coupled reactions, Electron transport chain, oxidative phosphorylation, group transfer, Biological energy transducers, inhibitors of electron transport chain, uncouplers

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**PRACTICAL COURSES**  
**BSP 456 MOLECULAR BIOLOGY LAB**

**Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Perform agarose gel electrophoresis and realize its applications in biological research.
- CO 2. Isolate plasmid DNA, genomic DNA and total RNA from bacteria and other sources and determine their purity
- CO 3. Execute restriction digestion and mapping of DNA.
- CO 4. Design primers and run the PCR reaction.
- CO 5. Become skilled in gel documentation instrument (Geldoc) and image development.

1. Agarose gel electrophoresis
2. Isolation of plasmid DNA from bacteria and its identification by electrophoresis
3. Isolation of genomic DNA from various sources and its identification
4. Restriction digestion and mapping of DNA
5. Isolation of total RNA from various sources and gel electrophoresis
6. Design of primers and PCR
7. Determination of DNA/RNA purity by UV-Visible spectrophotometry
8. Demonstration of gel documentation and imaging

#### **BSP457/A PLANT AND ANIMAL SYSTEMATICS LAB**

After undergoing the course, students will be able to:

- CO 1: Classify angiosperms from domain to species level using the keys
- CO 2: Gain the skill of herbarium preparation.
- CO 3: Classify representative animals
- CO 4: How to preserve the animal species
- CO 5: Gain knowledge of molecular taxonomy with reference to DNA bar-coding.

1. Study of vegetative and floral characters of selected families of Dicotyledonous and of Monocotyledons
2. Plant classification from domain to species level
3. Demonstration of virtual herbarium
4. Field visit, plant collection, and herbarium preparation
5. Mounting of a properly dried and pressed specimen of any wild plant with herbarium labelling
6. Interaction and co-evolution of flowering plants and animals
7. Study the evolution of a few plants

8. Animals Preserving Techniques
9. Cladistics
10. Systematics and Phenetics
11. 16S ribosomal RNA in phylogenetics
12. Phylogenetic comparative methods – use of evolutionary trees in other studies-comparative biology, adaptation or evolutionary mechanisms.

### **BSP561 BIOSTATISTICS AND BIOINFORMATICS LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Perform suitable statistical tests for evaluation of data
- CO 2. Make suitable graphical representations of data
- CO 3. Perform statistical tests - t test, F-test, ANOVA
- CO 4. Develop the skill to use search engines, internet tools and databases.
- CO 5. Gain the practical knowledge of restriction mapping and microarray techniques.

#### **Biostatistics**

1. Measurement of Central tendencies, mean, median, mode
2. Measures of dispersion range SD, CV&SE
3. Scatter plot, Simple Correlation & Regression, Multiple Correlations
4. Construction of frequency table
5. Theoretical distribution, Binomial, Poisson & normal
6. Statistical inference, normal, t test, chi-square & F test
7. Analysis of Variance

#### **Bioinformatics**

1. Introduction to bioinformatics
2. Basic feature of computers; flow charts and problems.
3. Search engines and internet tools.
4. Biological databases
5. Use of databases (e.g. BLAST, FASTA)
6. Restriction mapping
7. Micro array techniques
8. Search engines
9. Web lab viewer and Ras mols

## **BSP 458 APPLIED MICROBIOLOGY LAB**

### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Carry out quantitative and qualitative assessments of microflora of soil, water and air.
- CO 2. Selectively isolate and identify microbes using morphological and biochemical tools.
- CO 3. Understand the symbiotic association of microorganisms through experiments.
- CO 4. Assess microbial quality of drinking water and milk.
- CO 5. Perform microbiological assays for antibiotics and amino acids.

- 1. Quantitative and qualitative assessment of microflora of soil, water and air by direct and indirect methods.
- 2. Selective isolation of microbes (bacteria, actinomycetes, yeasts and fungi)
- 3. Studies on symbiotic association of microorganisms (rhizobia, cyanobacteria and arbuscular mycorrhizae)
- 4. Simple and special morphological and biochemical tests for identification of bacteria, fungi
- 5. Assessment of microbial quality of drinking water and milk
- 6. Microbiological assays (antibiotics and amino acids)

## **BSP459 AQUATIC BIOLOGY LAB**

### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Perform qualitative analyses of water samples for various parameters.
- CO 2. Identify freshwater, marine and benthic organisms
- CO 3. Estimate the productivity of aquatic ecosystems.
- CO 4. Understand the food and feeding habits in fish.

- 1. Water quality parameters
- 2. Freshwater, marine and benthic organisms.
- 3. Preparation of temporary and permanent slides of plankton.
- 4. Estimation of productivity.
- 5. Hydrophytes, halophytes and seaweeds.
- 6. Food and feeding habits in fish.
- 7. Sewage organisms.
- 8. Instrumentation in aquatic biology and field trips

## **BSP460 METABOLISM AND BIOENERGETICS**

### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Perform spectrophotometric estimation of various metabolites.
- CO 2. Diagnose some of the metabolic diseases through biochemical tests.
- CO 3. Quantify vitamins and phenolics in plant samples.
- CO 4. Calculate standard free energy change, redox potential, and mitochondrial respiration.

- 1. Spectrophotometric estimation of metabolites: serum protein, sugar, creatinine, urea, uric acid
- 2. Colorimetric analysis of vitamins, ascorbic acid etc.,

3. Estimation of plantphenolics
4. Tests to measure glycosuria, proteinuria etc
5. Calculations in Bioenergetics: standard free energy change, redox potential, mitochondrial respiration etc

## OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES

### BSE 461 BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION

#### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Understand the relevance of biodiversity and conservation.
- CO 2. Describe the levels of biodiversity organizations.
- CO 3. Understand Indian ecological/geographical diversity, including Himalayan region, Desert, Western Ghats, Coastal region and Hotspots of biodiversity.
- CO 4. Understand microbial diversity and its importance.

#### Unit I (13 hours)

Basic concepts and definitions, scope, biosphere, habitats, food chain, food web. Levels of biodiversity organizations – Genetic diversity, Species diversity and Ecosystem diversity. Indian ecological/geographical diversity: Himalayan Region, Deserts, Semiarid region, Gangetic plains, Western Ghats, Coastal region; Hotspots of biodiversity, Microbial diversity: Bacteria, Cyanobacteria, Fungi and Lichens, Algae, Protozoa and viruses, habitat. Mushrooms – edible and nonedible. Plant and animal association with microbes. Beneficial and harmful microbes, Culture, Cultivation of bacteria. Microbial products.

#### Unit II (13 hours)

Plant diversity: Lower and higher group of plants, plant ecosystem and its classification. Major ecosystem types, tropical forests, temperate forests. Arid and Semiarid ecosystems, boreal forests, Arctic and Alpine systems, grasslands, wetland ecosystem. Marine ecosystems, Epiphytes, parasites and orchids. Values and uses of plant diversity. Animal diversity: Lower and higher group of animals, their ecological niches. Zoogeographical regions of the world and India. Animals in temperate, tropical and boreal forests, cave and mountains, Coastal ecosystems, mangrove and estuaries, coral reefs.

#### Unit III (13 hours)

Biodiversity Conservation: Causes and prevention of Plant and Animal biodiversity loss; IUCN Red List Categories and Criteria. Conservation strategies – *Ex-situ* and *In-situ* conservation, Protected ecosystems – Biosphere reserves, National parks, Sanctuaries, Botanical gardens, Sacred groves; Wildlife conservation and wildlife conservation act; Centers of diversity study.

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## **BSE462/A ECO-FRIENDLY PRACTICES**

### **Course Outcomes:**

After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

CO1: Understand how mankind is responsible for polluting the environment and disturbing biodiversity and their larger impact on human society.

CO2: Get sensitized on how and what activities can be adopted in day-to-day life that helps the conservation of nature and natural resources.

CO3: Gain the wisdom of some of the international days observed for the conservation of nature.

CO4: Appreciate some of the great environment conservation activists of India and get inspired.

### **Unit I (13 hours)**

Basic concepts and Definitions: Environment; ecosystem; Ecological footprint; Carbon footprint; Environmental pollution - air, water, and soil. Human-caused ecological problems - Global warming; climate change, species extinctions, plastic pollution; habitat destruction; biodiversity loss; ozone layer depletion; Human-wildlife conflict; natural calamities (flood, coastal flooding, cold wave, drought, heat wave, cyclone, ice storm, landslide, lightning, riverine strong wind, tornado, wildfire).

### **Unit II (13 hours)**

Role of individuals in the conservation of nature: The 4Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Recover; Waste segregation; Trash to Treasures with some examples; The concept of the free cycle; Plastic pollution - single-use plastics; Energy star appliances; public transport; health benefits of walking and cycling; Home gardening; plantation drive; afforestation; home energy audit; recycling of kitchen wastes; organic farming; composting - vermicompost; pot compost; biogas production; renewable energy - solar panels; solar lights; solar heater; integrated pest management; rainwater harvesting; Wasteland management through biodiesel plantation; Eco-friendly gifts and mementos; Community participation in nature conservation;

### **Unit III (13 hours)**

International Days for Nature conservation: World Environment Day; World Wetlands Day; World Wildlife Day; Global Recycling Day; International Day of Forests; World Water Day; Earth Day; International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystems; International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction; World Soil Day. Great inspiring personalities of India for nature conservation: Sunderlal Bahuguna; Salim Ali; Rajendra Singh; Medha Patkar; M. S. Swaminathan; Vandana Shiva; Saalumarada Thimmakka; Panduranga Hegde.

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**III SEMESTER  
HARD CORE COURSES  
BSH 501 ANIMAL PHYSIOLOGY**

**Course Outcomes:**

**52hrs**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Gain in-depth understanding of gastrointestinal system, associated disorders, digestive processes and mechanism of absorption of nutrients.
- CO 2. Comprehend ultrastructure and functioning of nerves and muscles.
- CO 3. Understand the importance of various endocrine glands, associated disorders, hormones and their mode of action
- CO 4. Understand osmoregulation and excretion mechanisms and modes across organisms.
- CO 5. Comprehend the concept of thermoregulation and adaptive features.
- CO 6. Develop in-depth understanding of sensory receptors

**Unit I (13 hours)**

Gastrointestinal System: Digestive processes and mechanisms of absorption of dietary carbohydrates, proteins and lipids; coordination of digestive and absorptive activities; gastrointestinal disorders.

Nervous system: Neuron and nerve impulse conduction synapses, synaptic transmission and neurotransmitters; reflex mechanisms; functions of the sensory and motor areas of the CNS; autonomic nervous system.

**Unit II (13 hours)**

Endocrine system: Hypothalamus. Endocrine glands - pituitary, thyroid, parathyroid, adrenals, pancreas, ovary, testis, pineal, GI tract and placenta: hormones - release, transport, mechanism of action and biological action; Neurohormones of the hypothalamus; endocrine disorders, Neuroendocrine system in Insecta and Crustacea.

Muscular system: Contraction of skeletal muscle; molecular basis of muscle contraction; energetics of muscular contraction; neuromuscular transmission and excitation contraction coupling; muscle atrophy and dystrophy.

**Unit III (13 hours)**

Osmoregulation and excretion: Biological significance of water; Osmoregulation in aquatic and terrestrial vertebrates; regulatory mechanisms; Major functions of excretory system; Organs of excretion- Basic processes responsible for the formation of the excreted fluid; Functional types- Generalized excretory organs and Specialized excretory organs; Classification of excretory organs and their distribution in the animal Kingdom; General patterns of nitrogen and non-protein nitrogen excretion; physiology of urine formation in mammals; renal diseases.

**Unit IV (13 hours)**

Thermoregulation: Thermoregulation-a phenomenon of homeostasis; Thermoregulatory adaptations-Physiological, Physical and Behavioral adaptations; Thermoregulation in aquatic and terrestrial invertebrates; Thermoregulation in Vertebrates-Fishes, Amphibians, Reptiles, Birds and Mammals.

Receptor system: Sensory receptors-classification and properties; Receptor Mechanisms: Chemoreceptors- gustatory receptors and olfactory receptors, Mechanoreceptors- Touch or pressure receptors, Pain receptors, Receptors concerned with equilibrium, gravity, acceleration and vibration, Phonoreceptors; Electromagnetic receptors- Photoreceptors

Thermoreceptors; Special Senses- Neurophysiology of Vision, Hearing and Chemical senses.

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## BSH 502 PLANT PHYSIOLOGY

52hrs

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Understand the role of various nutrients in plant growth
- CO 2. Comprehend the various concepts of water relation in plants and physiological processes.
- CO 3. Gain in-depth knowledge on photosynthesis and regulatory mechanisms.
- CO 4. Understand role of various growth regulators in plant growth
- CO 5. Gain knowledge on different methods and tools of plant breeding
- CO 6. Understand plant pathology

### Unit I (13 hours)

Plant nutrition: Trace elements and their role, major and minor elements in soil and plants; Essentiality of elements- Sand culture, Soil culture, Hydroponics, Aeroponics; Mineral deficiencies and their rectification, nitrogen, phosphorus and sulfur metabolism.

### Unit II (13 hours)

Water relations in plants: water requirements, Physical forces involved in water absorption, Osmotic system, Water potential, Site and path of water absorption; Ascent of Sap, mechanism of translocation of water and solutes; Factors affecting water absorption; Transpiration- Types of transpiration, structure and functions of stomata, mechanism of

stomatal movement, Factors affecting transpiration, Guttation, anti-transpirants. Photosynthesis: Chloroplast and photosynthetic pigments; Concept of photosynthetic unit; Oxygenic and anoxygenic photosynthesis; Concept of pigment system; Stages of photosynthesis- cyclic and non-cyclic photophosphorylation; Hill reaction, Photorespiration; carbon dioxide fixation in C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>4</sub> plants, CAM plants; Factors affecting photosynthesis.

### Unit III (13 hours)

Plant Growth and Growth Regulators- Plant growth, Growth curve, measurement of growth, Phytohormones: Biosynthesis, Mechanism of action and application of auxins, gibberellins, cytokinins, ethylene, abscisic acid; Vernalin, Florigen, Morphactins; Phytochromes. Plant breeding: Objectives – high yield, improved quality, disease and pest resistance, early maturity, photosensitivity, varieties for new seasons, resistant varieties. Breeding in self- pollinated crops. Methods of breeding- Selection, Backcross method, Hybridization- objectives, types, procedure. Mutagenesis.

### Unit IV (13 hours)

Plant pathology- Plant pathology in relation to important diseases of crop plants. Important plant diseases: Plant diseases caused by viruses, mycoplasma, bacteria, fungi, protozoa, nematodes, parasitic angiosperms - symptoms, etiology, life cycle, transmission etc. Seed borne diseases and transmission: Pollination, fertilization, embryogenesis, morphology and physiology in relation to seed infection. Seed-borne pathogens and their importance - viruses, bacteria, fungi and nematodes; seed infection and contamination.

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**SOFT CORE COURSES**  
**BSS 503 APPLIED ECOLOGY**

**39hrs**

**Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Understand biodiversity, hotspots, conservation and management
- CO 2. Develop knowledge of forest and landscape ecology and watershed management.
- CO 3. Understand fisheries and aquaculture methods for commercial production of sea food
- CO 4. Learn about the impacts of aquatic pollution.
- CO 5. Develop in-depth knowledge in population ecology, prey-predatory dynamics, life-history strategies, energy budgets and reproductive strategies.

**Unit I (13 hours)**

Biodiversity: types, significance, distribution and measurements-Species richness: Simpson index, Shannon Wiener index, Evenness. Megadiversity countries, hot spots, biodiversity of Western Ghats and Eastern Himalayas. Wildlife management: Present status of threatened wildlife of Western Ghats; Conservation, Administrative and Judicial measures. Forest and landscape ecology: types of forests and their distribution with reference to Western Ghats; Vegetation mapping; Plant-animal interactions; Integrated pest management. Landscape Ecology – watersheds management.

**Unit II (13 hours)**

Fisheries: Aquatic resources - fish, mollusca and crustaceans. Aquatic wildlife; Conservation and management of aquatic wildlife. Pisciculture: types of culture systems: traditional, extensive, semi-intensive, intensive, super-intensive. Characteristic features of cultivable species (Indian major carps, catfish and tilapia). Selection criteria of cultivable species. Maintenance of aquaculture pond- design, construction and management of ponds, types of ponds. Feeding behavior of fishes; Aquaculture feeds. Aquaculture practices - prawns, seaweeds, oysters, mussels, fin fishes and the environment. Aquaponics. Control of aquatic weeds and predators, aquaponics, fishing industry in India (including preservation and processing). Economic importance and nutritional value of fishes.

**Unit III (13 hours)**

Population ecology: Demography-life tables; population structure-recruitment patterns, settlement and migration; population growth-growth patterns, age and growth, allometry, growth parameters; biotic parameters-predation, prey-predatory dynamics, competition, mutualism and population regulation; life history strategies-life history traits, longevity and survival rates, energy budgets, and reproductive strategies, *k*-selection and *r*-selection.

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## BSS 504 IMMUNOLOGY

39 hrs

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Gain an in-depth knowledge of immunology.
- CO 2. Understand the structure and functions of various immune cells and organs
- CO 3. Comprehend antigen and antibody structure and the mounting of immune responses.
- CO 4. Understand autoimmunity, hypersensitivity and immunodeficiencies
- CO 5. Understand the principles and application of various immunological techniques.

### UNIT I (13 hrs)

Immunology: History and scope of immunology; Immunity, classification of immunity; Host defence: cellular, tissue and humoral immunity; Acquired immunity; Primary and secondary lymphoid organs; Immune response of T and B cells; Cytokines – structure and functions. Microbial defence: invasion, antigens, toxins. Antibodies: Production, structure, classification and functions; hyper variable region, Isotypic, allotypic and idiotypic variations. Antigenicity and immunogenicity, haptens. Complement.

### UNIT II (13 hrs)

Autoimmune diseases: Thyrotoxicosis, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Antinuclear antibodies. Hypersensitivity - reactions. Tumor immunology– tumor antigens, immunosurveillance, immunological escape. Immune deficiency diseases– AIDS; Immunological tolerance, Immunization and Vaccines: Types and production.

### UNIT III (13 hrs)

Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC), HLA polymorphism. Tissue haplotypes and disorders, Tissue and organ grafting, graft rejection, Immune suppression. Immunological techniques: Antigen-antibody reactions. Precipitation and agglutination, immunodiagnosis, ELISA, RIA, immunoblotting and immunofluorescence and chemiluminescence; Fluorescent activated cell sorter (FACS); Hybridoma technology, production and application of monoclonal antibodies. Edible vaccines – Benefits, limitations, production, examples.

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## BSS 505 ECOTOXICOLOGY

39hrs

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Know the principle of bioassays for assessment of toxicity.
- CO 2. Understand how the biotransformation and detoxification of xenobiotics occurs
- CO 3. Gain the knowledge how to do the toxic risk and environmental impact assessments.
- CO 4. Understand various atmospheric toxicants and consequences of air pollution, acid rain, photochemical smog, global warming, ozone depletion and haze.
- CO 5. Gain in-depth knowledge of the adverse effects of alcohol, tobacco, food additives, petroleum and petroleum products
- CO 6. Understand the impact of pesticides and metal toxicity
- CO 7. Know antidote therapies for pesticide poisoning.

### Unit I (13 hours)

Introduction, definition and various facets of ecotoxicology; Kinds of toxicity; time & dose-response relationships; factors influencing the toxicity; Bioassay- toxicity testing; Role of US-FDA. Metabolism of toxic substances: biomagnification, biotransformation and detoxification; Effects of environmental toxicants- sub cellular, cellular, individual, population and ecosystem levels. Toxic risk assessment: Methods, monitoring, importance and surveillance of risk assessment; Environmental Impact Assessment.

### Unit II (13 hours)

Atmospheric toxicants: Major sources, types and standards; Primary pollutants- Carbon monoxide, sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides, particulate matter, hydrocarbons, asbestos and CFCs; Secondary pollutants; Impact of air pollutants on climate-Acid rain, photochemical smog, global warming, ozone depletion and haze. Toxicity of Alcohol, tobacco & its products, food additives, petroleum & petroleum products.

### Unit III (13 hours)

Pesticides: Definition, classification, usage and exposure; Insecticides: Organochlorines -DDT, cyclohexane, aldrin and endosulfan poisoning and treatment; Organophosphates and carbamates-Examples, sources, effects and treatment; herbicides, fungicides, rodenticides, endocrine disrupters. PCBs and Dioxins. Metal toxicity - History, sources, emissions, effect of mercury, cadmium, arsenic and lead on metabolism and environment. Poisoning - antidote.

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**PRACTICAL COURSES**  
**BSP 506 ANIMAL PHYSIOLOGY LAB**

**Course Outcomes:**

After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- CO 1. Perform experiments to estimate enzyme activity and understand factors affecting enzyme activity
- CO 2. Perform experiments on hormonal control of reproductive biology.
- CO 3. Perform experiments in muscle physiology and osmoregulation.
- CO 4. Conduct qualitative tests for excretory products and demonstrate active transport

1. Gastrointestinal function–

Factors affecting enzyme activities in digestion of foodstuffs.

1.2 Quantitative estimation of Enzyme (amylase) activity.

2. Neuroendocrinology–

Effect of hormones on blood glucose in rats.

Study of estrous cycle in mice

Study of sperm count, sperm morphology and sperm motility

3. Muscle Physiology-

3.1 Histochemical detection of SDH activity in red and white muscle fibres.

4. Osmoregulation-

Estimation of Fluid balance in an animal.

Osmotic relationship in animals at the level of cell as well as entire organism.

5. Excretion-

Qualitative tests for excretory products.

Demonstration of active transport.

**BSP 507 PLANT PHYSIOLOGY LAB**

**Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Realize the importance each nutrient in plant growth through experimentation and observation.
- CO 2. Observe mineral deficiency symptoms in plants.
- CO 3. Know how to perform the tests for understanding water relations.
- CO 4. Understand the photosynthesis by conducting some allied experiments.
- CO 5. Understand the role of growth hormones in plants.

1. Plant nutrition-

Observation of mineral deficiency symptoms in plants.

2. Water relations-

Experiments to demonstrate the diffusion pressure deficit in plant cell.

Determination of stomatal index, stomatal frequency and measurement of stomatal aperture.

Determination of water potential

3. Photosynthesis -

Separation and estimation of chloroplast pigments.

Demonstration of Kranz anatomy

4. Growth hormones and their regulation-

Experiments to demonstrate the effect of hormones on shoot apex.

5. Plant pathology

Pathogens in crop plants

### **BSP 508 APPLIED ECOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Enhance the theoretical knowledge of applied ecology with lab experiments and field visits.
- CO 2. Understand plant-animal interactions and prey-predator relationship.
- CO 3. Unravel medicinal properties of plants and significance of conservation
- CO 4. Develop skills of remote sensing.
- CO 5. Identify the freshwater and marine fishery resources.
- CO 6. Estimate growth parameters and determine the probability of death.

- 1. Biodiversity
- 2. Terrestrial biodiversity
- 3. Aquatic biodiversity
- 4. Plant-animal interactions
- 5. Endangered medicinal plants.
- 6. Landscapes analysis through remote sensing data.
- 7. Freshwater fishery resources
- 8. Marine fishery resources
- 9. Estimation of growth parameters
- 10. Life-tables
- 11. Prey-predator relationships

### **BSP 509 IMMUNOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Develop skills in immunology lab experiments.
- CO 2. Isolate lymphocytes and identify different blood cells
- CO 3. Understand hemolymph cells in insects
- CO 4. Perform immunoassays using various immunodiffusion methods
- CO 5. Detect and quantify antigens and allergens using established methods

- 1. Study of immune system in rats
- 2. Blood film preparation and study of immune cells
- 3. Isolation of lymphocytes
- 4. Study of insect hemocytes
- 5. Ouchterlony double diffusion assay
- 6. Radial Immuno diffusion technique
- 7. Immunological diagnosis of pregnancy and infection
- 8. DOT- ELISA technique
- 9. Rocket immune electrophoresis method
- 10. Detection of allergens: Pollen Count by sticky slide method

### **BSP 510 ECOTOXICOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Learn and practice safety measures to be taken in laboratories.
- CO 2. Determine acute and chronic toxicities through bioassays.
- CO 3. Estimate oil and grease from water and differentiate between clean and polluted water samples

CO 4. Perform tests for detection of metals and other toxic pollutants and food adulterants.  
CO 5. Assess effect of metals on plant growth

1. Good Laboratory Practices
2. Safety notices in environmental toxicological studies.
3. Bioassay experiments using different test systems.
4. Behavioural study of the fish under exposure to toxicants.
5. Experiments on solid waste
6. Estimation of oil and grease in water sample.
7. Demonstration of catalase activity in polluted waters.
8. Spot test for detection of metals, residual chlorine, nitrite poisoning, fluoride toxicity, food adulterants and pesticide residues.
9. Effect of  $\text{CdCl}_2$  on germination of Bengal gram.
10. Effect of toxicants in meristematic tissue (Onion root tips).
11. GC analysis of pesticide residues in food samples.



**OPEN ELECTIVE COURSES**  
**BSE 511 POLLUTION AND BIOREMEDIATION**

**39hrs**

**Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Understand causes and effects of environmental pollution and bioremediation.
- CO 2. Know about air, water and land pollutants and their impact.
- CO 3. Realize the impacts of water pollution on aquatic biota and human health.
- CO 4. Know the causes of acid rain, photochemical smog, global warming, ozone depletion and haze.
- CO 5. Understand the concept of bioremediation and how to use microorganisms, plants and enzymes to detoxify contaminants.
- CO 6. Know about biological treatment of liquid wastes and solid wastes.

**UNIT I (13 hours)**

Environmental pollution: Types of pollution – Air, water, land, sound and radioactive pollution. Water pollutants: Major sources- Domestic, municipal, industrial and agriculture; types and standards; Impact of water pollution on aquatic biota and human health.

**UNIT II (13 hours)**

Atmospheric Pollutants: Major sources, types and standards; Primary pollutants - Carbon monoxide, sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides, particulate matter, hydrocarbons, asbestos and CFCs; Secondary pollutants; Impact of air pollutants on climate-Acid rain, photochemical smog, global warming, ozone depletion and haze.

**UNIT III (13 hours)**

Remediation: Types of remediation- Physical, chemical and biological; Bioremediation- *in-situ* and *ex-situ* bioremediation; Phytoremediation; Microbial remediation; Biological treatment of liquid wastes and solid wastes.

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## BSE512 STEM CELL BIOLOGY AND REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

39hrs

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Gain in-depth knowledge in the field of stem cell biology and regenerative medicine
- CO 2. Understand the different types of stem cell and their applications.
- CO 3. Learn about state-of-the-art technologies, applications and ethics in research of stem cell biology.
- CO 4. Understand the legal and ethical aspects of stem cell research and applications.
- CO 5. Know the principles and applications of tissue engineering and nanotechnology.

### Unit 1 (13 hours)

Basics of stem cell biology, origin, development, types and properties of stem cells, embryonic stem cells and induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs), foetal (amniotic, umbilical cord blood and stem cells from other embryonic tissues), adult stem cells- Hematopoietic stem cells, mesenchymal stem/stromal cells, neural stem cells, hepatic stem cells and skeletal muscle stem cells, cancer stem cells, state-of-the-art technologies, applications and ethics in research of stem cell biology and differentiation

### Unit II (13 hours)

Introduction and principles of regenerative medicine, cell based therapies, pluripotency and regenerative medicine, Cell-cell interactions in tissue regeneration, Isolation and culture of stem cells, Viral and non viral vectors in stem cell research, Genome editing and use of genetically engineered stem cells. Applications of stem cell based therapies in bone, blood, cardiovascular regeneration, musculoskeletal repair, hepatocyte and neuronal transplantation, legal and ethical aspects of stem cell research and applications

### Unit III (13 hours)

Nanotechnology: Definition, nanomaterials and their applications; Regenerative medicine, biomaterials and scaffolds in regenerative medicine, principles and applications of tissue engineering, modes of cell and tissue delivery, *in situ* tissue engineering and bioartificial organs, GMP and regenerative medicine

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OPEN ELECTIVE COURSE  
**BSE 513 BEHAVIOURAL BIOLOGY**

**Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Understand the evolution of social behaviour and types of social behaviours
- CO 2. Discern various types of social behaviours across organisms
- CO 3. Understand communication and the adaptive significance of these behaviours
- CO 4. Appreciate how epigenetics moulds behaviour

**UNIT 1 (13 hours)**

Sociobiology: Definition, introduction, history, scope, and significance. Basics of ecology and society; The evolution of animal societies. Instinctive, or intuitive behavior; Evolutionarily stable strategy hypothesis. Social behaviors: Aggregation, reproductive behaviour, territoriality, pack hunting, dominance interactions, parental care, and cooperative interactions within families.

**UNIT II (13 hours)**

Eusociality in insects: Hive society of social insects (ants, bees, and wasps); Eusociality in crustaceans (shrimps); mammals (mole rats); Cooperative breeding in birds, parental care. Social interactions in microbes - cooperation, conflict, and population. Spatial structure. Plant-pollinator networks.

**UNIT III (13 hours)**

Communication for social interactions: plumage, morphological characters, vocalizations, pheromones, vibrations; The adaptive significance of social organization; altruism; cooperation; courtship and reproductive behavior; the genetics, development, and epigenetics of social behavior.

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## IV SEMESTER HARD CORE COURSES

### BSH 551 BIOTECHNOLOGY

52hrs

#### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Understand how organisms and biological processes are used in biotechnology.
- CO 2. Gain in-depth knowledge of useful microorganism, bioreactors and fermentation technologies.
- CO 3. Know how to produce bioplastics, biofertilizers, biopesticides, biodiesel and hybrid plants.
- CO 4. Learn about the applications of plant tissue culture and production of various hybrid plants.
- CO 5. Gain the basic idea about IPR, patenting and entrepreneurship.
- CO 6. Become familiar with animal cell culture, production of transgenic animals and assisted reproductive techniques
- CO 7. Understand rDNA technology, principles and applications of PCR, RT-PCR, DNA fingerprinting and genome editing technologies.

#### UNIT I (13 hrs)

Aims and scope of biotechnology, basic concepts of biotechnology, traditional and modern biotechnology. Microbial Biotechnology: Fermentation techniques: Fermenters and bioreactors. Batch, submerged (SmF), solid substrate (SSF) and continuous fermentation. silage, probiotics, single cell proteins, production of hormones and growth factors. Microbial polysaccharides, bioplastics, cell immobilization and its applications. Biopesticides (fungi, bacteria and viruses). Biofertilizers, plant-growth promoting microorganisms, biocontrol agents and bioprotectants. Transgenic microbes and their applications.

#### UNIT II (13hrs)

Plant Biotechnology: Plant tissue culture laboratory and aseptic techniques, culture media, callus induction, organogenesis, somatic embryogenesis, micropropagation, production of secondary metabolites, selective markers, somaclonal variation, synthetic seeds and cryopreservation. Haploid production: pollen, anther and ovule cultures. Cell suspension culture, protoplast culture, protoplast fusion and hybridoma technology. Transgenic plants, production of disease-, salinity-, pest-, herbicide-, drought-resistant and high yielding varieties of plants. Production of improved varieties using Ti plasmids. Application of rhizobia and mycorrhizas in plant tissue culture. Biodiesel: advantages, production process - transesterification; biodiesel plants (*Jatropha curcas*; *Pongamia pinnata*); Microalgae.

#### UNIT III (13 hrs)

Animal Biotechnology: Animal cell culture techniques, culture media, primary and secondary cell cultures, cell lines and cell strains and growth factors. Stem cells, gene expression in cell culture, organ culture, histotypic culture; Natural and synthetic cell culture media composition; cytotoxicity and cell viability assays; Transgenic animals and their uses. Animals as bioreactors. Assisted Reproductive Techniques: *In-vitro* fertilization, embryo transfer, super ovulation and cloning.

#### UNIT IV (13 hrs)

Molecular Biotechnology: Gene manipulation, restriction enzymes, DNA insertion through

vectors, clone selection and expression of cloned genes. Expression systems and their applications: Escherichia coli, Streptomyces, yeast, baculovirus and animal cells as cloning hosts. Analysis of DNA-DNA sequences, mutagenesis and gene expression, DNA extraction methods and amplification using PCR and RT PCR techniques; DNA fingerprinting. Overview of next generation sequencing and digital PCR highlights. Genome editing technologies: engineered nucleases (Meganucleases; Zinc finger nucleases); TALEN; CRISP. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) / Patent – basic knowledge. Entrepreneurship in biological sciences.

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## BSH560 BIOSTATISTICS AND BIOINFORMATICS

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to :*

- CO 1. Apply statistical methods to analyse and interpret the biological data.
- CO 2. Represent the data of experimental and field studies through graphs and diagrams.
- CO 3. Understand statistical concepts and learn to use a variety of statistical tests
- CO 4. Know how to use bioinformatics for DNA and protein sequence analysis through bioinformatics tools and databases
- CO 5. Understand microarray technique for gene expression analysis.
- CO 6. Understand the concept of protein folding and structure based targeted drug design

### Unit I (13 hours)

Biological data-frequency distribution, graphical and diagrammatic representations; Measures of Central tendency - Mean, Median and Mode; Measure of Dispersion - Range, Variance, Standard deviation, Coefficient of variation, Diversity Index.

Populations versus sample - sampling techniques; Standard error, Confidence limits. Random experiment-probability. Binomial, poisson and Normal distributions and their applications in genetics.

### Unit II (13 hours)

Simple linear Regression and Correlation analysis. Analysis of variance, principles of experimental design. Multiple regression.

Tests of significance- Normal,  $X^2$ , (Chi-square), 't' and F tests; Testing for goodness of fit. One-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) and Two-way analysis of variance. Statistical packages.

### Unit III (13 hours)

Introduction to bioinformatics, databases, search engines, internet tools and World Wide Web (WWW). Molecular modeling database at NCBI, major web resources for bioinformatics - Biological database types and their functioning, microbiological databases, primary sequence databases, carbohydrate databases, RNA databases, genome databases, organism databases, biodiversity. Sequence database: Introduction, nucleotide sequence database, protein sequence databases, EMBL nucleotide sequence databases, structure databases. Phylogeny - Tree definitions, distance matrix methods and parsimony and bootstrapping. DNA and protein sequence Analysis, FASTA, BLAST and GCG Wisconsin/Emboss packages. Genomics and proteomics.

### Unit IV (13 hours)

Microarray techniques, Gene Expression analysis, Protein Folding, Lattice models, Comparative modeling, threading, folds and function, Distributed Computing approach, genome@home, folding@home, proteomics, protein structure based targeted drug design – small molecular interactions and docking.

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**SOFT CORE COURSES**  
**BSS 552 ENVIRONMENTAL PHYSIOLOGY**

**39hrs**

**Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Enhance the knowledge how the organisms are physiologically adapted to various environmental conditions.
- CO 2. Know the basic principles of plant responses to environment.
- CO 3. Understand the physiology of flowering, senescence and abscission.
- CO 4. Gain the knowledge about stress physiology; how the plants response to various biotic and abiotic stress. how plant adapted to the radiation environment.
- CO 5. Comprehend the physiology of circulation and respiration, including under special environmental conditions, such as high altitude and deep sea diving.
- CO 6. Know how some respiratory diseases are caused.

**Unit I (13 hours)**

Principles of plant responses to environment; Problems of environment; Ecotypes - the role of genetics. Photoperiodism and its significance, endogenous clock and its regulation and development. Physiology of flowering, Senescence- types, causes, physiology of senescence and its significance, Abscission.

**Unit II (13 hours)**

Stress physiology: Plant response to biotic and abiotic stress. Stress tolerance, heat resistance, HR and SAR, water deficit and drought resistance, salinity stress, metal toxicity, freezing and heat stress, oxidative stress; Plant adaptation to the radiation environment.

**Unit III (13 hours)**

Circulation: Types of heart and body fluids (blood and lymph); buffering properties of blood; blood circulation; Physiology and patterns of circulation; Circulatory physiological features in special environment viz., high altitude, deep seadiving. Respiration: Transport of oxygen and carbon dioxide; regulatory mechanisms of respiration, respiratory physiological features in special environments viz. high altitude, deep sea diving; respiratory diseases.

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## BSS 553 DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY

39hrs

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Gain in-depth knowledge in the field of developmental biology
- CO 2. Understand how gametes are produced, both in plants and animals.
- CO 3. Comprehend the process of cell differentiation at the molecular level.
- CO 4. Understand how the early developmental events occur invertebrates.
- CO 5. Know how the genes play a role in axis specification and embryogenesis.

### Unit I (13 hours)

Introduction: Chief events in animal development; History of thoughts and conceptual developments; experimental embryology; the concepts of differential gene activity.

Gametogenesis in animals: Spermatogenesis; Oogenesis; Molecular events during fertilization. Gametogenesis in a few plant systems; early development in a typical plant.

### Unit II (13 hours)

Cell differentiation: Definition and concept, Mechanism of gene action during cell differentiation; Factors influencing cellular differentiation. Creating multicellularity Cleavage types; gastrulation; Fate maps; Concepts of determination; Morphogenetic cell movements- cell adhesion and contact inhibition. Competence and induction, totipotency; Nuclear transfer experiments. Morphogenetic determinants in egg cytoplasm; Germ cell determinants and germ cell migration; Early vertebrate development-cell movements, Gastrulation, germ layers – ectoderm, endoderm and mesoderm. Neurulation and organogenesis

### Unit III (13 hours)

Developmental patterns in metazoans; Body axes - establishment of body axes in mammals; Genetics of axis specification in *Drosophila*; Homeobox concept - homeotic genes. Morphogenesis and organogenesis in plants: Organization of shoot and root apical meristem; shoot and root development; leaf development and phyllotaxy; transition to flowering, floral meristems and floral development in *Arabidopsis* and *Antirrhinum*. seed formation and germination.

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## BSS 554 NUTRITIONAL BIOLOGY

39hrs

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Understand the basics of nutrition science and its practical applications in day to day life.
- CO 2. Describe the nutritional requirement and challenges of differ age groups through life cycle.
- CO 3. Explain the role of proper nutrition during pregnancy and lactation.
- CO 4. Describe the physiological changes which take place through lifecycle
- CO 5. Understand the types of food safety hazards and its mitigation measures.

**Unit I:** Introduction to nutrition science: Composition of food (carbohydrates, proteins, fats, vitamins, minerals, fiber and water), balanced diet, food groups (The 11 food groups), RDA, factors affecting RDA, determination of RDA of different nutrients, reference man and woman, practical application of RDA, current diet and nutrition scenario, common nutrition problems (Starvation, Protein Energy Malnutrition, Nutritional anaemia).

**Unit II:** Life span nutrition: Nutritional requirements for adults (reference man and woman), infants, pre-school children, school children, adolescent children. Geriatric nutrition. Nutrition for expectant and Lactating women: Preconceptual nutrition, physiological changes during pregnancy, nutritional requirements for pregnant women, physiology of lactation, nutritional requirements of a nursing mother.

**Unit III:** Food safety hazards: Biological hazards (bacteria, molds, parasites), chemical hazards (Food additives, pesticides/agricultural product residues, veterinary drug residues) physical hazards (natural and unnatural), allergic hazards (Milk, egg, nuts, wheat, shellfish), food adulteration hazards (types and mitigation measures).

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## **PRACTICAL COURSES**

### **BSP 555 BIOTECHNOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Develop laboratory skills in biotechnology
- CO 2. Use solid surface fermentation technique for production of antibiotics.
- CO 3. Carry out PCR and do the analysis
- CO 4. Do vermicomposting and mushroom cultivation.
- CO 5. Perform plant tissue culture techniques and check the nutritional and anti-nutritional qualities of edible seeds.

1. Production and analysis of vermicompost
2. Identification, collection and cultivation of mushrooms
3. Submerged and solid-substrate fermentation.
4. Production and assessment of enzymes, mycotoxins, organic acids and antibiotics.
5. Isolation and induction of root nodules by rhizobia
6. Isolation and mass production of arbuscular mycorrhizal spores.
7. Plant tissue culture
8. Evaluation of nutritional and antinutritional qualities of edible seeds.
9. Evaluation of soil qualities (e.g. texture, bulk density and water holding capacity)
10. Evaluation of soil components (e.g. nitrogen, phosphorus, organic carbon)
11. Pattern of decomposition of organic matter (e.g. leaf and woody litter)
12. Biogas production
13. Functional properties of food (e.g. water absorption capacity, gelation, foaming and emulsion)
14. DNA extraction methods and PCR /RT PCR confirmation
15. Analysis of RT PCR data in terms of copy number or quantification.
16. Analysis of DNA and protein sequences
17. Educational tour - Visits to industries / Research Laboratories and report submission.

### **BSP 556 ENVIRONMENTAL PHYSIOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Conduct experiments in environmental physiology
- CO 2. Determine blood indices, blood pressure and thermal stress.
- CO 3. Demonstrate rate of transpiration, effect of temperature on the rate of respiration and plant responses to salinity and metal stress.
- CO 4. Know how to check the seed health and effect of salinity on seed germination.
- CO 5. Check viability of seeds, inducers and inhibitors of germination.

1. Haematology-
  - Determination of blood indices
  - Determination of blood pressure.
2. Respiration-
  - Estimation of oxygen consumption by the organism under stressed condition (thermal stress).
  - Demonstration of rate of transpiration by photometry.
  - Effect of temperature on the rate of respiration.
3. Seed physiology–

Seed health testing.

Determination of percent viability of seeds by germination method.

Germination inducers and inhibitors

Determination of  $\beta$ -amylase activity in germinating seeds.

Effect of salinity on seed germination.

4. Stress Physiology-

Plant responses against salinity and metal stress

Radioisotope methodology and its principles (GM Counter and Scintillation counter)

### **BSP 557 DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

CO 1. Develop practical skills using model organisms in developmental biology

CO 2. Gain the skills to isolate and mount the imaginal discs, sex comb, genital plate.

CO 3. Carry out practicals on developmental mutants in *Drosophila* and *Arabidopsis*.

CO 4. Carry out staining techniques for gametes and embryo.

1. Study of model organisms used in developmental Biology.
2. Isolation and mounting of imaginal discs.
3. Structure of sperms and eggs.
4. Isolation and mounting of sex comb and genital plate in *Drosophila*.
5. Study of developmental mutants in *Drosophila* and *Arabidopsis*.
6. Spiral cleavage and general development in snail.
7. Study of hemimetabolous and holometabolous development in insects.
8. Life cycle and metamorphosis in frogs.
9. Structure of *Drosophila* and chick egg.
10. Study of chick embryo by vital staining technique.
11. Developmental stages in frog.
12. Developmental stages in chick.
13. Study of spermatogenesis in rat.
14. Plant cell totipotency (growing a carrot from adult cells)
15. Seed germination

### **BSP 558 NUTRITIONAL BIOLOGY LAB**

#### **Course Outcomes:**

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

CO 1. Understand and prepare meal plans using food exchange lists for different age groups and physiological conditions

CO 2. Create awareness about low-cost nutritional rich food for children.

CO 3. Describe different adulteration tests for foods.

CO 4. Understand the food spoilage microorganisms.

1. Adulteration tests (3 samples- cereal/sugar products, milk/milk products, spices and condiments)
2. Planning balanced diet for reference man and woman using ICMR RDA
3. Planning and preparing two different low-cost weaning foods
4. Planning a diet for PEM and Nutritional anaemia
5. Planning a diet for: Adolescent child, Pregnant woman, Lactating woman, Elderly
6. Estimation of total microbial count of yeast and molds from spoiled food samples

## BSP559 PROJECT WORK

### Course Outcomes:

*After successful completion of the course, students will be able to:*

- CO 1. Carry out a research-based study - select a problem, frame the objectives, conduct literature review, tabulate, represent and interpret the results.
- CO 2. Do field work for collection of samples, questionnaire-based surveys.
- CO 3. Apply research methodologies, techniques and tools to conduct lab- / field-based research
- CO 4. Understand different types of standard methods of citation and references.
- CO 5. Write the dissertation, present and interpret the research data scientifically.
- CO 6. Build up the capacity to carry out a research project independently.
- CO 7. Get skilled to be appointed/absorbed based on the theme of the project work.

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**Model Question Paper**  
**First Semester M.Sc. BIOSCIENCES Degree Theory Examination (CBCS)**

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 70

**PART –A**

1. Write short notes on any EIGHT of the following:

(2x8=16)

- a)
- b)
- c)
- d)
- e)
- f)
- g)
- h)
- i)

**PART - B**

Answer any FIVE questions from the following:

(5x6=30)

- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.



**PART – C**

Answer any THREE questions from the following:

(3x8=24)

- 9.
- 10.
- 11.
- 12.