

FORMAT FOR COURSE CURRICULUM

Course Title: Introduction to Marine Invertebrates

Credit Units:

L	T	P/S	SW/FW	No. of PSDA	TOTAL CREDIT UNITS
4	-	2	2	3	6

Course Level: UG Course Code:

Course Objectives: Objective of the course to teach form and function, physiology, reproduction and nutrition of the different groups of marine invertebrates. Course will focus on marine invertebrate organisms in different phylum. Course also aimed for the identification of the various marine invertebrates by the students,

Pre-requisites: Nil

Course Contents/Syllabus:

	Weightage (%)
Module I : Protista and Porifera	15%
Descriptors/Topics	
Systematic position up to the class. Concept of Protista, Body Structure, Growth and reproduction, Food and Feeding,	
Defense system, Contractile vacuoles and Osmoregulation, Economic/ecological importance. Example: Amoeba,	
Euglena, Paramecium and Plasmodium.	
Module II: Cnidaria	15%
Descriptors/Topics	
Classification, General Characters, distribution, morphology and anatomy, Growth and reproduction, Food and Feeding,	
Defense system, Economic/ecological importance, General account of coral reefs, Sea anemone, Sea pen, Sea whip	

Module III : Annelids	15%
Descriptors/Topics	
Classification, distribution, morphology and anatomy, Growth and reproduction, Food and Feeding, Defense system,	
Economic/ecological importance. General account of Polychaeta, Oligochaeta, Hirudinia, Archiannelida. Metamerism	
and adaptive radiation of hirudina	
Module IV : Echinoderms and prochordats	15%
Descriptors/Topics Classification, distribution, water vascular system, Growth and reproduction- larvae, their comparative morphology-	
Star fish, Sea Cucumber, Sea Urchins	
Prochordata - classification and comparative morphology, reproduction and early development, larval metamorphosis-	
Herdmania, Branchiostomata and Amphioxus	
Module V : Mollusc	20%
Descriptors/Topics Mollusca classification, general characters with reference to bivalves, gastropods and cephalopods. reproduction and	
early development, Special features and torsion in gastropoda., Economic importance of mollusc	
Module VI : Arthopods	20 %
Descriptors/Topics]
Classification of Arthropoda.	
Crustacea- comparative morphology, crustacean appendages, larval forms, Respiration, evolution and paleontology with	
reference to prawn and crab. Economic importance of Crustaceans	

Course Learning Outcomes:

After completing the course, student will be able to

- find biology of protist and organism from phylum porifera
- explain the biology of the organisms of the phylum cnidaria
- **develop** knowledge of the biology and economic importance of Annelids
- **discover** morphology and physiology of Echinoderms and prochordates
- evaluate mollusk classification on the basis of general characters.
- discuss various crustaceans based on morphology, appendages and larval forms

Pedagogy for Course Delivery:

Course will be delivered in the form of lectures, power point presentations and practicals in the lab. E-content with 4 Quadrant approach will be available to the students for self-learning. Students will spend minimum 2hrs per week for selfwork on certain topics. Value addition by the guest lectures is integral part of learning for the course. Course will be delivered in Face to face/ remote learning or in hybrid mode as per the requirement.

List of Professional Skill Development Activities (PSDA):

- i. Field Visit Report (Home assignment)
- ii. Group discussion by presentation
- iii. Lab safety skills- Poster Making

Lab/ Practicals details, if applicable:

List of Experiments:

- 1. Collection, preservation and identification of invertebrates
- 2. Study of external morphological features of marine invertebrates
- 3. study of external and internal anatomy of higher marine invertebrates
- 4. Museum study of marine invertebrates-corals, sea urchin, sea anemones, crustaceans, mollusks, Polychaeta etc

Assessment/Examination Scheme:

Theory L/T (%)		Lab/Practical/Studio (%)	
75		25	

Theory Assessment (L&T):

	End Term Examination (50%)				
Components (Drop down)	Class Test	Presentation	Home assignment	Attendance	
Linkage of PSDA with Internal Assessment Component, if any		Group discussion by presentation	Field Visit Report		

		(10 Marks)Lab safety skills- Poster Making (5 Marks)			
Weightage (%)	10	15	20	5	50

Lab/ Practical/ Studio Assessment:

	Continuous Assessment/Internal Assessment (50 %)			End Term Examination (50 %)			
Components (Drop down	Class test (Practical Based)	Mid term Viva	Attendance	Major Experiment	Minor experiment/spotting	Viva	Record
Weightage (%)	30	15	5	20	10	10	10

Mapping Continuous Evaluation components/PSDA with CLOs

Bloom's Level >	Remembering	Understanding	Applying	Analyzing	Evaluating	Creating
Course	CLO 1: The	CLO2: The student	CLO3: The	CLO4: The	CLO5: The	CLO6:
Learning	student will	will be able to	student will	student will	student will	The student
Outcomes	be able to	explain the biology	be able to	be able to	be able to	will be able to
	find biology	of the organisms of	develop	discover	evaluate	discuss various
	of protist	the phylum cnidaria	knowledge	morphology	mollusk	crustaceans
Assessment	and		of the	and	classification	based on
type/PSDA \	organism		biology and	physiology of	on the basis	morphology,
	from phylum		economic	Echinoderms	of general	appendages
	porifera		importance	and	characters.	and larval
			of Annelids	prochordates		forms

Class Test	٧	٧	٧	٧	٧	
Presentation	٧	٧	٧	٧		
(Group						
discussion by						
presentation						
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Presentation			٧	٧	√	٧
(Lab safety						
skills- Poster						
Making)						
Home				٧	V	V
Assignment						

Text Reading:

- E-content on Amity LMS (Available on student Amizone id)
- Biology of the Invertebrates 7 ed. by Pechenik J. A. 2019. McGraw Hill publication.
- An introduction to Zoology by Joseph Springer and Dennis Holley, 2013, Jones & Bartlett Learning publication house
- Laboratory and field investigations in Marine Life by Dudley, sumich and Dedley, 2012, Jones &Bartlett Learning publication house