

BOT-3101	Cell Biology	Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Week	Theory Topics / Contents	
1	Introduction to Cell Biology: history, scope, cell theory	
2	Prokaryotic vs. eukaryotic cells; plant cell vs. animal cell	
3	Cell wall composition and function; plasma membrane structure	
4	Selective permeability; passive transport (diffusion, osmosis)	Assignment
5	Active transport; endocytosis and exocytosis	
6	Cytoplasm and nucleus; chromatin organization	Quiz
7	Chloroplasts: structure and function	
8	Midterm	
9	Mitochondria: structure and energy production	Assignment
10	Endoplasmic reticulum, Golgi apparatus, ribosomes	
11	Vacuoles, tonoplast, plasmodesmata	Quiz
12	Biomolecules: carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, nucleic acids	
13	Macromolecular assemblies; cell signaling	
14	Transport in plant tissues: symplastic and apoplastic pathways	
15	Cell cycle and mitosis, Cytokinesis and meiosis	
16	Control of cell division; microscopy techniques	
17	Terminal	

BOT 3102 Diversity of plants		Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Weeks	Topic of Lecture	
1 st	Origin, diversity, and evolution of life	
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2 nd	life forms, structure, reproduction, and ecological significance of: Viruses	
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3 rd	life forms, structure, reproduction, and ecological significance of: Bacteria	
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4 th	life forms, structure, reproduction, and ecological significance of: cyanobacteria	Assignment #1
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5 th	life forms, structure, reproduction, and ecological significance of: Fungi	
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6 th	life forms, structure, reproduction, and ecological significance of: Algae	Quiz #1
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7 th	Diversity and adaptation of Bryophytes on land environment	
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8 th	Midterm	
9 th	Habit, habitat, and reproduction of Hepaticopsida (Liverworts)	
	Habit, habitat, and reproduction of Hepaticopsida (Marchantia)	
10 th	Habit, habitat, and reproduction of Anthocerospsida (Anthoceros)	Assignment #2
	Habit, habitat, and reproduction of Anthocerospsida (Anthoceros)	
11 th	Habit, habitat, and reproduction of Funaria	
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12 th	Pteridophytes (Fossils and fossilization)	Quiz #2
	Psilopsida (Psilotum)	
13 th	Lycopsida (Selaginella)	
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14 th	Sphenopsida (Equisetum)	
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15 th	Pteropsida (Marsilea)	
	Seed habit and evolution of the leaf	
16 th	Distinguishing features, diversity, and life cycle of gymnosperms	
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17 th	Terminal Eamination	

GEN-3103		Quantitative Reasoning-I	Credit Hrs. 3(3-0)
Week	Topics	Assignment/Quiz	
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number systems and basic arithmetic operations 		
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Units, unit conversions, dimensions 		
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area, perimeter, and volume calculations 		
Week 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rates, ratios, proportions, and percentages 	Assignment#1	
Week 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Types and sources of data; measurement scales 		
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabular and graphical presentation of data; exercises on number knowledge 	Quiz #1	
Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basics of geometry: lines, angles, circles 		
Week 8	Midterm		
Week 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basics of geometry: polygons and their properties 	Assignment#2	
Week 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sets and set operations • Relations, functions, and their graphs 		
Week 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exponents, factoring, and simplifying algebraic expressions 	Quiz #2	
Week 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population, sample, measures of central tendency 		
Week 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measures of dispersion and data interpretation 		
Week 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rules of counting: multiplication principle, permutations, combinations 		
Week 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic probability theory and examples 		
Week 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to random variables and their probability distributions 		
Week 17	Terminal Examination		

GEN-3104 Introduction to Environmental Science Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)		
Week	Topics	Assignment/Quiz
Week 1	1. The human environment: The litho, bio, and hydro spheres,	
Week 2	the nature and composition of natural waters,	
Week 3	2. Pollution: definition, classification, and impact on habitats	
Week 4	i. Air pollution: Sources and effects of various pollutants (inorganic, organic),	Assignment#1
Week 5	ii. control, and remediation	
Week 6	iii. . Photochemical smog, Smog,	Quiz #1
Week 7	iv. Acid rain: 1. Theory of acid rain, 2. Adverse effects of acid rain. Chlorofluorocarbons and their effects.	
Week 8	Midterm	
Week 9	v. Water pollution: Major sources of water pollution and its impact.	Assignment#2
Week 10	vi. Prevention, control remediation, Heavy metal pollution. Tanneries. Hospital waste, Treatments of sewage, sludge, and polluted waters.	
Week 11	Soil pollution: major sources of soil pollution and its impact. Prevention, control remediation. Noise pollution.	Quiz #2
Week 12	Sources of Noise pollution, remedies of noise pollution	
Week 13	3. Ozone layer: Formation	
Week 14	Mechanism of depletion Effects of ozone depletion	
Week 15	Greenhouse effect: causes,	
Week 16	impacts	
Week 17	Terminal Examination	

GEN-3105		Functional English	Credit Hrs. 3(3-0)
Week	Lecture	Topics	Activity
Week 1	Lecture 1	Introduction To Grammar: Role of Grammar in Communication, Course Overview	
	Lecture 2	Sentence Elements: Subject, Verb, Object, Complement, Predicate, Sentence Agreement	
	Lecture 3	Parts of Speech: Noun, Pronoun, Verb, Adjective, Adverb, Conjunction, Interjection, Preposition Noun: Proper Noun, Common Noun, Abstract Noun, Concrete Noun, Collective Noun, Compound Noun, Countable Noun, Uncountable Noun	
Week 2	Lecture 1	Pronoun: Personal Pronoun, Possessive Pronoun, Indefinite Pronoun, Relative Pronoun, Intensive Pronoun, Demonstrative Pronoun, Interrogative Pronoun, Reflexive Pronoun	
	Lecture 2	Adjective: Descriptive, Demonstrative, Possessive, Interrogative, Indefinite, Compound Adjectives, Adjectives of Number or Adjectives Of Quantity (Definite Numeral Adjectives, Indefinite Numeral Adjectives, Distributive Numeral Adjectives) Verb: Action Verb, Compound Verb, Transitive and Intransitive Verb, Auxiliary Verb, Modal Verb, Phrasal Verb, Regular, Irregular Verbs	
	Lecture 3	Adverb: Adverb of Manner, Adverb of Time, Adverb of Place Prepositions: Types of Preposition (Functional Types: Preposition of Time, Preposition of Place, Preposition of Direction/Movement) Types of Preposition (on the Basis of Structure): Double Prepositions, Compound Prepositions, Participle Prepositions, Phrase Prepositions	
Week 3	Lecture 1	Conjunction: Coordinating Conjunction, Correlative Conjunction, Subordinating Conjunction	
	Lecture 2	Interjection: Emotive Interjection, Volitive Interjection, Cognitive Interjection	

	Lecture 3	Articles: Definite and Indefinite, Usage Rules, Exceptions Parts of Speech: Practice- Identification, Correction Exercises	
Week 4	Lecture 1	Sentence Structure: Sentence Basics (Simple, Negative, Interrogative); Types By Structure: Simple, Compound, Complex, Compound-Complex; Types by Function: Declarative, Interrogative, Imperative, Exclamatory	Assignment#1
	Lecture 2	Tenses: Present, Past and Future Tense: Rules and Exercises	
	Lecture 3	Voice: Active and Passive: Introduction, Definition of Voice, Transformation Rules for all Tenses, Passive of Imperatives	
Week 5	Lecture 1	Voice Practice: Conversion Exercises, Correcting Passive Misuse	
	Lecture 2	Unified Sentences in English: Definition, Coherence, Unity, Logical Flow	
	Lecture 3	Unified Sentences (Continued): Use Of Transitional Devices, Maintaining Paragraph Unity	
Week 6	Lecture 1	Phrases: Introduction, Structure and Types: Noun, Verb, Adjective, Adverb, Prepositional Phrases Phrase Practice: Usage in Writing, Combining Phrases	Quiz #1
	Lecture 2	Clauses: Introduction Difference between Clause and Phrase	
	Lecture 3	Types pf Clause: Independant Clause, Dependent Clause Types Of Dependent Clauses: Noun, Adjective, Adverb Clauses with Examples	
Week 7	Lecture 1	Punctuation (Basics): Full Stop, Comma, Question Mark, Exclamation Mark	
	Lecture 2	Advanced Punctuation: Semicolon, Colon, Apostrophe, Quotation Marks, Parentheses	
	Lecture 3	Advanced Punctuation (Continued): Brackets, Braces, Dash, Hyphen, Ellipsis	
Week 8	Midterm		

Week 9	Lecture 1	Spelling Rules: Common Spelling Rules (E.G., -Ie/-Ei, Silent Letters, Homophones), Doubling Consonants, Silent Letters (Kn, Wr, Gh)	
	Lecture 2	Spelling Rules (Continued): Suffixes (-Ing, -Ed, -Able), Confusing Pairs (Their/There/They Are, Affect/Effect)	Assignment#2
	Lecture 3	Reading Comprehension: Definition, Levels of Comprehension, Principles/Rules of Comprehension	
Week 10	Lecture 1	Reading Comprehension (Continued): Literal, Inferential	
	Lecture 2	Reading Comprehension (Continued): Evaluative Reading; Skimming and Scanning Techniques	
	Lecture 3	Comprehension Practice: Exercises On Reading between and Beyond the Lines, Answering Questions	
Week 11	Lecture 1	Discussion Skills: Introduction and Importance	
	Lecture 2	Discussion Skills (Continued): Strategies-Turn-Taking, Active Listening, Using Transitions, Asking Clarifying Questions, Agreeing/Disagreeing Politely	Quiz #2
	Lecture 3	Discussion Practice-Topics: Narrating Past Events, Comparing Ideas, Expressing Opinions	
Week 12	Lecture 1	Listening Skills: Introduction, Types of Listening: Active, Reflective, Critical, Appreciative, Empathetic; Common Listening Barriers	
	Lecture 2	Listening Practice: Note-Taking, Summarizing Audio/Video Clips, Identifying Key Ideas	
	Lecture 3	Listening Practice: Listening to Documentaries for Main Ideas	
Week 13	Lecture 1	Translation Skills: Introduction Types of Translation: Literal, Contextual, Idiomatic, Communicative	
	Lecture 2	Translation Skill: Basic Rules for Urdu to English Translation and Sentence Structure	
	Lecture 3	Translation Practice: Urdu To English Sentence and Paragraph Translation	

Week 14	Lecture 1	Paragraph Writing: Introduction, Parts of a Paragraph: Topic Sentence, Supporting Details, Coherence, Conclusion	
	Lecture 2	Paragraph Practice: Descriptive, Narrative, Argumentative Paragraphs with Transitions	
	Lecture 3	Presentation Skills: Introduction, Types of Presentations: Informative, Persuasive, Demonstrative	
Week 15	Lecture 1	Types of Presentations (Continued): Motivational, Instructional, Impromptu	
	Lecture 2	Structure and Tips For Effective Presentations	
	Lecture 3	Presentation Techniques: Verbal/Non-Verbal Communication, Visual Aids	
Week 16	Lecture 1	Presentation Techniques (Continued): Slide Design, Tone, Pace	
	Lecture 2	Student Presentations (Prepared): Delivering Informative or Persuasive Talks with Feedback	
	Lecture 3	Student Presentations (Impromptu): On-The-Spot Speaking, Timing, Confidence-Building	
Week 17		Terminal Examination	

GEN-3106 Application of Information and Communication Technology Credit Hrs. 3(2–1)			
Week	Topics (Theory)	Practical Work	Assignment/Quiz
Week 1	Introduction to ICT, Scope, and Components (hardware, software, networks, cloud storage)	Basic computer usage, file management (creating folders, naming conventions)	
Week 2	ICT in Daily Life: Use in education, business, governance, healthcare, etc.	Cloud storage: Google Drive, Dropbox, OneDrive – uploading, organizing, and sharing files	
Week 3	Emerging technologies and future trends	Web exploration: Effective searching using Google, Bing (search operators, filters)	
Week 4	Formal Communication Tools: Gmail, Outlook & Netiquette	Send professional emails, attach files, apply formatting, set auto-reply	Assignment #1
Week 5	MS Word: Basics, formatting, document creation	Hands-on with MS Word: Create letter, resume, formatted report	
Week 6	MS Excel: Data entry, formulas, functions, charts	Hands-on with MS Excel: Budget sheet, formulas, basic chart creation	Quiz #1
Week 7	MS PowerPoint: Slide design, presentation techniques	Create a presentation on ICT tools in education (insert media, animations)	
Week 8	Midterm		
Week 9	Google Workspace: Docs, Sheets, Slides overview	Create a document using Google Docs, collaborate in real-time	Assignment#2
Week 10	Evernote & OneNote: Note-taking and organization tools	Use OneNote/Evernote to create categorized notes, to-do lists	
Week 11	Video Conferencing Tools: Zoom, Meet, Teams	Setup a meeting, share screen, chat, use breakout rooms	Quiz #2
Week 12	LMS and Online Education: Moodle, Google Classroom, Coursera	Practice logging in, submitting assignments, participating in discussion forums	

Week 13	ICT in Health: Fitness apps and Telemedicine	Explore Google Fit or Samsung Health; simulate booking on Sehat Kahani	
Week 14	Online Banking & E-Commerce	Simulate wallet setup (JazzCash), explore Daraz.pk features	
Week 15	Digital Citizenship, Cyberbullying, Intellectual Property	Group discussion & case study on online harassment and plagiarism	
Week 16	Ethics in ICT, Content Authenticity, and Misinformation	Final practical assessment: Document + presentation + cloud storage submission	
Week 17	Terminal Examination		

3rd Semester

GEN-4301		Islamic Studies	Credit Hrs. 2(2-0)
Week	Lecture No.	Topic	Activity
Week 1	Lecture 1	• قرآن پاک کا تعارف، فضائل ، اعجاز	
	Lecture 2	• قرآن پاک کا نزول قرآن ، جمع و تدوین	
Week 2	Lecture 3	• علوم قرآن: علم تفسیر ، ماخذ تفسیر	
	Lecture 4	• علم اسباب نزول، علم ناسخ و منسوخ	
Week 3	Lecture 5	• سورہ حجرات آیت (01 تا 09)	
	Lecture 6	• سورہ حجرات آیت (10 تا 18)	
Week 4	Lecture 7	• سنت و حدیث کا تعارف: معنی و مفہوم، اقسام	Assignment#01
	Lecture 8	• تاریخ تدوین حدیث	
Week 5	Lecture 9	• سنت کی ائینی حیثیت	
	Lecture 10	• منتخب متون احادیث کا مطالعہ: حدیث نمبر 1-05	
Week 6	Lecture 11	• منتخب متون احادیث کا مطالعہ: حدیث نمبر 10-5	Quiz # 01
	Lecture 12	• منتخب متون احادیث کا مطالعہ: حدیث نمبر 15-10	
Week 7	Lecture 13	□ منتخب متون احادیث کا مطالعہ: حدیث نمبر 20-15	
	Lecture 14	□ پیدائش سے بعثت تک نبی کریم ﷺ کی زندگی کے اہم واقعات	
Week 8	Midterm		
Week 09	Lecture 15	□ نبی پاک ﷺ کی مکی زندگی کے اہم واقعات	

	Lecture 16	□ نبی پاک ﷺ کی مدنی زندگی کے اہم واقعات	Assignment# 02
Week 10	Lecture 17	□ خلافت راشدہ (حضرت ابو بکر صدیق رضی اللہ عنہ و حضرت عمر رضی اللہ عنہ کے دور کی اہم خصوصیات	
	Lecture 18	□ خلافت راشدہ (حضرت عثمان رضی اللہ عنہ و حضرت علی رضی اللہ عنہ کے دور کی اہم خصوصیات	
Week 11	Lecture 19	□ عقائد: ایمانیات ثلاثہ (ایمان باللہ ، ایمان بالرسالت اور ایمان بالآخرت) (الف)	Quiz # 02
	Lecture 20	□ عقائد: ایمانیات ثلاثہ (ایمان باللہ ، ایمان بالرسالت اور ایمان بالآخرت) (ب)	
Week 12	Lecture 21	□ فقہ کا تعارف : پس منظر	
	Lecture 22	□ فقہی مسالک کا تعارف	
Week 13	Lecture 23	□ نماز: اہمیت ، طریقہ نماز ، مسائل نماز (الف)	
	Lecture 24	□ نماز: اہمیت ، طریقہ نماز ، مسائل نماز (ب)	
Week 14	Lecture 25	□ روزہ: اہمیت ، مسائل روزہ	
	Lecture 26	□ زکوٰۃ: اہمیت ، مسائل زکوٰۃ	
Week 15	Lecture 27	□ حج اور عمرہ: اہمیت ، طریقہ کار ، مسائل (الف)	
	Lecture 28	□ حج اور عمرہ: اہمیت ، طریقہ کار ، مسائل (ب)	
Week 16	Lecture 29	□ جہاد: اہمیت ، مقاصد جہاد ، اداب جہاد (الف)	
	Lecture 30	□ جہاد: اہمیت ، مقاصد جہاد ، اداب جہاد (ب)	
Week 17	Terminal Examination		

GEN-4302		<u>Entrepreneurship</u>	Credit Hrs. 2(2-0)
Week No.	Lecture No.	Topic	Activity
Week 01	Lecture 01	<u>Introduction to Entrepreneurship</u> Definition and concept of entrepreneurship Why to become and entrepreneur?	
	Lecture 02		
Week 02	Lecture 03 Lecture04	Entrepreneurial process Role of entrepreneurship in economic development.	
Week 03	Lecture 05	<u>Entrepreneurial Skills</u> Characteristics and qualities of successful entrepreneurs . Stories of success and failures of entrepreneurs.	
	Lecture 06		
Week04	Lecture 07 Lecture08	Areas of essentials entrepreneurial skill and ability, such as creative and critical thinking. Innovation and risk taking abilities of entrepreneurs	Assignment 01
Week 05	Lecture 09 Lecture 10	<u>Opportunities recognition and idea generation</u> Opportunity identification, evaluation and exploitation Innovation, idea generation techniques for entrepreneurial ventures	
Week 06	Lecture 11	Marketing and sales ● Target market identification and segmentation	Quiz #1

	Lecture12	●Four P's of Marketing	
Week 07	Lecture 13 Lecture 14	Developing a marketing strategy Branding	
Week 08		Mid Term	
Week 09	Lecture 15 Lecture 16	<u>Financial Literacy:</u> Basic concepts of income, savings and investments Basic concepts of assets, liabilities and equity	Assignment #2
Week 10	Lecture 17 Lecture 18	Basic concepts of revenue and expenses Overview of cash-flows.	
Week 11	Lecture 19 Lecture 20	Overview of banking products Islamic models of financing	Quiz #2
Week 12	Lecture 21 Lecture 22	Sources of funding for startups(angel financing) Debt and equity financing	
Week 13	Lecture 23 Lecture 24	<u>Team Building for Startups:</u> Characteristics and features of effective teams. Features of effective teams	
Week 14	Lecture 25 Lecture 26	_Team building and effective leadership for startups <u>Regulatory Requirements to Establish Enterprises in Pakistan:</u> Types of enterprises (e.g., sole proprietorship,)	
Week 15	Lecture 27 Lecture 28	Partnership, private limited companies. Intellectual property rights and protection	

Week 16	Lecture 29 Lecture 30	Regulatory requirements to register and enterprise in Pakistan, with special emphasis on export firms. Taxation and financial reporting obligation.	
Week 17		Terminal examination	

GEN-4303		Quantitative Reasoning-II	Credit Hrs. 3(3-0)
Week	Topics	Assignment/Quiz	
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to logic; importance of logical reasoning 		
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inductive, deductive, and abductive reasoning approaches 		
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propositions, arguments (valid and invalid) 		
Week 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logical connectives, truth tables 	Assignment#1	
Week 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propositional equivalences and logical fallacies 		
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Venn diagrams; predicates and quantifiers; reasoning exercises 	Quiz #1	
Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to deterministic models 		
Week 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midterm 		
Week 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using linear functions for real-world modeling 	Assignment#2	
Week 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modeling with systems of linear equations and solutions 		
Week 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elementary introduction to derivatives in modeling 	Quiz #2	
Week 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linear growth and decay models • Exponential growth and decay models 		
Week 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to probabilistic models; bivariate analysis and scatter plots 		
Week 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple linear regression model and correlation analysis 		
Week 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basics of estimation and confidence intervals • Hypothesis testing: z-test and t-test basics 		
Week 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statistical inference in decision making 		
Week 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terminal Examination 		

BOT-4304 Plant Systematics, Anatomy and development Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)

Week	Contents	
1	Introduction to Plant Systematics: aims & importance	
	Classification: artificial, natural & phylogenetic systems	
2	Modern systematics & APG overview	
	Nomenclature: binomial system & Latin names	
3	ICBN – principles	
	Morphology — root, stem & leaf	
4	Morphology — inflorescence & flower types	Assignment #1
	Placentation & fruits	
5	Diagnostic families I: Ranunculaceae, Brassicaceae, Fabaceae, Rosaceae	
	Diagnostic families II: Euphorbiaceae, Cucurbitaceae, Solanaceae	
6	Diagnostic families III: Lamiaceae, Apiaceae, Asteraceae	Quiz #1
	Monocot families: Liliaceae, Poaceae	
7	Integration: Taxonomy & Morphology	
	Introduction to Plant Anatomy & scope	
8	Midterm	
9	Plant tissues overview	
	Parenchyma & Collenchyma	

10	Sclerenchyma, trichomes & stomatal types	Assignment #2
	Xylem — structure & function	
11	Phloem — structure & function	
	Meristems: types, stem & root apices	
12	Primary structure: root, stem & leaf	Quiz #2
	Vascular cambium & activity	
13	Secondary growth in dicot stem	
	Periderm & bark types	
14	Wood characteristics: annual rings, sapwood, heartwood	
	Softwood vs Hardwood	
15	Early development: <i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	
	Anther structure, Microsporogenesis	
16	Ovule, Megasporogenesis & Megagametophyte	
	Endosperm formation, Parthenocarpy & Polyembryony	
17	Terminal	

CHM 4305 Physical Chemistry		Credit Hrs. 4(3-1)
Week	Topics	Assignment/Quiz
Week 1	General characteristics of gases. Gay Lussacs law, ideal gas equation	
	Kinetic Mol. Theory of gases, Molecular velocities	
	Ideal and real gases. Deviation of gases from ideality	
Week 2	Derivation of the kinetic gas equation, Molecular collision	
	Collision diameter, Liquefaction, and critical phenomenon of gases	
	Mean free path, the van der Waals equation for gases	
Week 3	Gen. Characteristics of liquids, Surface tension, and viscosity	
	Parachor, Rheochor and their applications	
	Specific and molar refraction and their applications	
Week 4	Refractive index, Optical activity, specific rotation	Assignment #1
	Dipole moment and molecular structure	
	Gen. Characteristics of solids, types of solids	
Week 5	Habit of crystal, Isotropy and Anisotropy	
	Crystal lattice, Unit cell, Crystal systems	
	Bragg's equation, Bravais lattices	
Week 6	X-ray crystallography of NaCl crystals	Quiz#1
	Introduction to quantum mechanics, Bohr model and its defects	
	Classical mechanics and its failure, the De Broglie equation	
Week 7	Dual nature of matter	
	Heisenberg uncertainty principle and its limitations	
	Wave function and derivation of the Schrodinger wave equation	
Week 8	Quantum numbers, electronic configuration, atomic orbitals, and Quantization	
	Midterm	
Week 9	Introduction to thermodynamics, System, Surroundings, State and State function, Boundary, Internal energy, Extensive intensive properties	Assignment#2
	First law of thermodynamics, Enthalpy, Entropy	
	Relationship between Enthalpy and Free energy change	
Week 10	Cp and Cv and their relationship	
	2 nd law of thermodynamics, Change in free energy and eq. constant	

	Entropy Change in phase transitions, Concept of Gibbs and Helmholtz Free energy	
Week 11	Intro to Kinetics, rate, rate law order and molecularity, Velocity constant	Quiz#2
	Elementary and complex reactions Zero, 1 st , and second order reactions	
	Derivation of the kinetic equation for 1st and second order reactions when initial conc of both are same	
Week 12	Methods of determining the rate of reaction.	
	Arrhenius equation, Lindemann's theory of unimolecular reaction	
	Transition state theory for Bimolecular reaction	
Week 13	Basic Electrochemistry, Conductors, insulators Electrolytic and electronic Conduction, Electrochemical cells and types	
	Specific conductance and its measurement, Cell constant and its determination	
	Molar and Equivalent conductance, Ostwald dilution law, Faraday's law of electrolysis with significance	
Week 14	An introduction to surface chemistry Absorption, adsorption and type, Applications of Adsorption	
	Characteristics and factors of adsorption, Catalysis, types, and characteristics Enzyme catalysis,	
	Freundlich and Langmuir Adsorption Isotherms	
Week 15	Intro and types of solutions Concentration units of solutions	
	Molecular interactions in solutions, Zeo and Azeotropic mixtures, Ideal and Non-Ideal solutions, Raoult's Law	
	Colligative properties and their determination	
Week 16	Determination of colligative properties	
Week 17	Terminal examination	

ZOO-4306 Principle of Animal Life-II		Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Weeks	Topic of Lecture	Activity
1 st	Cell Division: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cell cycles • Mitosis and meiosis----- 	
2 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitosis and meiosis • control of the cell cycle. 	
3 rd	Inheritance Patterns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mendelian genetics • Inheritance patterns 	
4 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inheritance patterns 	Assignment #1
5 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gene, structure, chemical composition and types 	
6 th	Chromosomes and Gene Linkage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eukaryotic chromosomes; linkage and crossing over 	Quiz #1
7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chromosomal aberrations. 	
8 th	Midterm Examination	
9 th	Molecular Genetics: Cellular Control: DNA: the genetic material	Assignment #2
10 th	DNA replication in prokaryotes and eukaryotes Control of gene expression in eukaryotes	
11 th	gene mutation recombinant DNA and applications of genetic technologies	Quiz #2
12 th	Animal Behaviour: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behavior and its types, proximate and ultimate causes • Anthropomorphism • development of behavior; learning; factors controlling animal behavior 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • communication • behavioral ecology <p>social behavior</p>	
13 th	<p>Evolution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical Perspective: <p>Theories of evolution: Lamarckism and natural selection, neo larmarckism, Darwinism, and neo-Darwinian</p>	
14 th	<p>Evolution and Gene Frequencies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardy-Weinberg principle • evolutionary mechanisms: population size, genetic drift, gene flow 	
15 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • de Vries mutation theory and rates of evolution, • polymorphism; species and speciation • molecular evolution • mosaic evolution 	
16 th	<p>Terminal</p>	
17 th		

5th Semester

BOT-5501	Bacteriology And Virology	Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Weeks	Topic of Lecture	Activity
1 st	Introduction to course (Principles of Animal Life-I)	
2 nd	Scope of Zoology: Introduction; significance and applications of zoology animal diversity; the scientific method Environment and world resources	
3 rd	The Chemical Basis of Animal Life: Brief introduction to biomolecules; carbohydrates, lipids Proteins and nucleic acids.	
4 th	Cellular Organization: Structure of animal cells, cell membrane, cytoplasm and its organelles ribosomes, endoplasmic reticulum, Golgi apparatus, lysosomes	Assignment #1
5 th	mitochondria, cytoskeleton, cilia and flagella, centrioles and microtubules, and vacuoles; ribosomes endoplasmic reticulum, the nucleus: nuclear envelope, chromosomes and nucleolus	
6 th	Animal tissues: Types: epithelial, connective, muscle tissue Nervous tissue; organs and organ systems.	Quiz #1
7 th	Enzymes: Structure, types Function and cofactors and coenzymes. factors affecting their activity Energy Harvesting: Aerobic and anaerobic respiration:	
8 th	Mid Term Exam	

9 th	glycolysis, citric acid cycle electron transport chain	Assignment #2
10 th	Fermentation, the major source of ATP. Reproduction and Development: Types; asexual and sexual	
11 th	gametogenesis, fertilization, metamorphosis Zygote and early development.	Quiz #2
12 th	Ecological Concepts: Individuals and Populations: Animals and their abiotic environment populations and limiting factors	
13 th	Communities and Ecosystems: Community structure and diversity; interspecific interactions	
14 th	Ecosystem, types, homeostasis, biomes, food chain, food web, energy flow	
15 th	Thermodynamics, biogeochemical cycles; Ecological problems (Presentations)	
16 th	human population growth, pollution Resource depletion and biodiversity.	
17 th	Terminal	

BOT-5502		Diversity of Vascular plants	Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Weeks	Topic of Lecture	Activity	
1 st	Introduction, origin, history, features and a generalized life cycle		
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2 nd	Methods of fossilization, types of fossils, geological time scale and importance of paleobotany.		
	Methods of fossilization, types of fossils, geological time scale and importance of paleobotany.		
3 rd	Methods of fossilization, types of fossils, geological time scale and importance of paleobotany.		
	First vascular plant - Rhyniophyta e.g. <i>Cooksonia</i> General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends		
4 th	First vascular plant - Rhyniophyta e.g. <i>Cooksonia</i> General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends	Assignment	
	General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends of the following phyla: Psilopsida (Psilotum)		
5 th	General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends of the following phyla: Psilopsida (Psilotum)		
	General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends of the following phyla: Lycopsidea (Lycopodium)		
6 th	General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends of the following phyla: Lycopsidea (Lycopodium)	Quiz	
	General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends of the following phyla: Selaginella with emphasis on origin and evolution of seed habit		
7 th	General Characters, classification, affinities and comparative account of evolutionary trends of the following phyla: Selaginella with emphasis on origin and evolution of seed habit		
	Sphenopsida (Equisetum)		
8 th	Midterm		
9 th	Pteropsida (<i>Ophioglossum</i>)	Assignment	
	Pteropsida (<i>Dryopteris</i>).		
10 th	Pteropsida (<i>Azolla/Marsilea</i>)		
	Geological history, origin, distribution, morphology, anatomy, classification and affinities of Cycadofilicales,		
11 th	Origin, distribution, morphology, anatomy, classification and affinities of Bennettitales,	Quiz	
	Origin, distribution, morphology, anatomy, classification and affinities of Ginkgoales		

12 th	Origin, distribution, morphology, anatomy, classification and affinities of Cycadales	
	Origin, distribution, morphology, anatomy, classification and affinities of Gnetales	
13 th	Distribution of gymnosperms in Pakistan. Economic importance of gymnosperms. An introduction to the Gondwana flora of world.	
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14 th	Angiosperms Origin, general characteristics, Importance, and life cycle of angiosperms	
	Angiosperms Origin, general characteristics, Importance, and life cycle of angiosperms	
15 th	Angiosperms Origin, general characteristics, Importance, and life cycle of angiosperms	
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16 th	Palynology: Basic information about the nomenclature, morphology and classification of living and fossil pollen and spores.	
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17 th	Terminal	

BOT-5503		Phycology and Bryology	Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Week	Topics		
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course introduction • Scope Phycology & Bryology • Importance of Phycology & Bryology 	•	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General characteristics of alga • Thallus organization • Reproduction of algae 	•	
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evolution of algae • Classification of algae (overview) • Basis of classification 	•	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biochemistry of algae • Pigments • Reserve food 	•	
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chlorophyta • General account • Classification 	•	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morphology in Chlorophyta • Reproduction in Chlorophyta • Economic importance of Chlorophyta 	•	
Week 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charophyta • General account • Characteristics 		Assignment#1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Xanthophyta • Structural organization • Reproduction in Xanthophyta 	•	
Week 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacillariophyta • Structural organization in Xanthophyta • Reproduction and importance of Bacillariophyta 	•	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phaeophyta • Morphology • Life cycle 	•	
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhodophyta • Structural organization • Reproduction 		Quiz #1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic importance of algae • Economic importance of algae • Ecology of algae 	•	
Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Bryophytes • General characteristics • Plant body organization 	•	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classification of bryophytes 	•	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basis of classification • Difference of various classes 	
Week 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midterm 	
Week 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theories of origin of bryophytes • Evolution of bryophytes • General affinities with various groups 	Assignment #2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reproduction in Bryophytes • Types of reproduction • Alternation of generations in bryophytes 	•
Week 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hepaticopsida • General account of Hepaticopsida • Reproduction in Hepaticopsida 	•
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of <i>Pellia</i> • Structural organization in <i>Pellia</i> • Reproduction in <i>Pellia</i> 	•
Week 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of <i>Porella</i> • Structural organization in <i>Porella</i> • Reproduction in <i>Porella</i> 	Quiz #2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthoceropsida • General account of Anthoceropsida • General account of Anthoceropsida 	•
Week 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of <i>Anthoceros</i> • General account of Anthoceros • Structural organization of Anthoceros 	•
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bryopsida • General characteristics • Structural organization 	•
Week 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of <i>Polytrichum</i> (gametophyte) • General account • Gametophyte study of <i>Polytrichum</i> 	•
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sporophyte of <i>Polytrichum</i> • Sporophytic generation • 	•
Week 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparative account of bryophyte classes • Comparative account of bryophyte classes • Comparative account of bryophyte classes 	•
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic importance of bryophytes • Ecological importance of bryophytes • Significance role with ecosystem 	•
Week 15	Terminal Examination	

BOT-5504 Mycology and Plant Pathology		Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Weeks	Topic of Lecture	Activity
1 st	Introduction: General characters of fungi	
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2 nd	Thallus, cell structure and ultrastructure of fungi.	
	Reproduction: Asexual and sexual reproduction and reproduction structures	
3 rd	Reproduction: Asexual and sexual reproduction and reproduction structures	
	Life cycle of fungi ,Classification of fungi	
4 th	life cycle and reproduction of Myxomycota	Assignment# 1
	Chytridiomycota	
5 th	Chytridiomycota	
	Zygomycota (Mucar)	
6 th	Zygomycota (Mucar)	Quiz#1
	Oomycota	
7 th	Midterm	
	Oomycota	
8 th	Midterm	
9 th	Ascomycota	Assignment# 2
	Ascomycota	
10 th	Basidiomycota	
	Basidiomycota	
11 th	Basidiomycota	Quiz#2
	Basidiomycota	
12 th	Deuteromycetes	
	Symbiotic relationships of fungi with other organisms (lichens and mycorrhiza) and their significance	
13 th	Importance of fungi in human affairs with special reference to Industry and Agriculture	
	Introduction and classification of plant diseases	
14 th	Symptoms, causes and development of plant diseases, loss assessment and diseases control	
	Important diseases of crop plants and fruit trees in Pakistan caused by fungi, e.g. damping off, red rot of sugarcane	

15 th	Important diseases of crop plants and fruit trees in Pakistan caused by fungi, e.g. mildews and dieback	
	Important diseases of crop plants and fruit trees in Pakistan caused by fungi, e.g. rusts	
16 th	Plant defense strategies, systemic resistance, induced systematic resistance (ISR), Acquired Systematic resistance (ASR)	
17 th	Terminal	

BOT-5505		Cell Biology	Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Week	Topics	Assessment	
Week 1	Life Begins with Cells: Diversity and commonality of cells		
Week 2	Molecules of a cell; Work of cells		
Week 3	Investigating cells; Genome perspective on evolution		
Week 4	Cell theory; Structure of plant cell	Assignment #1	
Week 5	Prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells		
Week 6	Physico-chemical nature of plasma membrane and cytoplasm	Quiz #1	
Week 7	Cell wall; Endoplasmic reticulum		
Week 8	Midterm Examination		
Week 9	Plastids, mitochondria, ribosomes, dictyosomes	Assignment #2	
Week 10	Vacuole; Microbodies (glyoxysomes, peroxisomes)		
Week 11	Nucleus: Nuclear membrane and nucleolus	Quiz #2	
Week 12	Chromosomes: Morphology, ultrastructure, karyotype analysis		
Week 13	Prokaryotic vs eukaryotic chromosomes; Histones & HMG proteins		
Week 14	Cell surface signaling: Signaling molecules and receptors		
Week 15	Intracellular signal transduction		
Week 16	Cell cycle: Mitosis, meiosis, chromosomal aberrations		
Week 17	Terminal Examination		

7th Semester

BOT-6701		Plant Ecology-II	Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Week	Topics		Assessment
Week 1	Introduction to Plant Ecology-II; Scope and relevance to mankind		
Week 2	Plant community concepts: Discrete and continuum concepts; modern synthesis		
Week 3	Community attributes I: Leaf spectra, life form distribution, Raunkiaer's law		
Week 4	Community attributes II: Periodicity, phenology, fidelity, constancy, age classes		Assignment #1
Week 5	Homogeneity and heterogeneity in plant communities		
Week 6	Species diversity: concepts, indices and ecological significance		Quiz #1
Week 7	Plant community structure: vertical and horizontal stratification		
Week 8	Midterm Examination		
Week 9	Plant community dynamics: Succession, types and mechanisms		Assignment #2
Week 10	Methods of sampling plant communities: Quadrat, line intercept methods		
Week 11	Point-centered quarter method; merits and limitations of sampling techniques		Quiz #2
Week 12	Quantitative community description: Gradient analysis and ordination techniques		
Week 13	Classification of vegetation; applications in ecology		
Week 14	Productivity: Concept, measurement of biomass and NPP		
Week 15	Energy flow in ecosystems; trophic efficiency		

Week 16	Flora of Azad Jammu and Kashmir; local ecosystems and conservation	
Week 17	Terminal Examination	

BOT-6702		Genetics – I	Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Week	Topics		
Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course introduction • Nature of genetic material • Scope and importance of Genetics 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mendelian principles (recap) • Extensions of Mendelian analysis • Variations on dominance 		
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple alleles • Lethal alleles • Several genes affecting the same character 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penetrance • Expressivity • Pleiotropy 		
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept of linkage • Discovery of linkage • Linkage symbolism 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recombination • Sex-linked inheritance • X-chromosome linkage 		
Week 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linkage maps • Recombination frequency • Map units 		Assignment #1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three-point test cross • Gene order determination • Interference and coincidence 		
Week 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linkage mapping in humans • Pedigree analysis • Applications of linkage mapping 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large map distances • Mapping functions • Calculation of recombination values 		
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single meiosis analysis • Mitotic segregation • Mitotic recombination 		Quiz #1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human chromosome mapping • Special eukaryotic mapping techniques • Applications 		

Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept of mutation • Types of mutations • Somatic vs germinal mutation 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occurrence of mutations • Mutagens • Genetic disorders 	
Week 8	Midterm	
Week 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mutation and cancer • Mutation breeding • Evolutionary significance of mutation 	Assignment #2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacterial chromosome • Bacterial conjugation • Gene transfer 	
Week 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacterial recombination • <i>E. coli</i> chromosome mapping • Recombination mechanisms 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacterial transformation • Mechanism of transformation • Applications 	
Week 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacteriophage genetics • Transduction • Phage mapping 	Quiz #2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacterial gene transfer • Mapping bacterial chromosomes • Applications 	
Week 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DNA as genetic material • Evidence for DNA as genetic material • Structure of DNA 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DNA replication in eukaryotes • Enzymes involved • DNA and the gene 	
Week 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature of the gene • Gene–protein relationship • One gene–one enzyme hypothesis 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genetic fine structure • Mutational sites • Complementation 	
Week 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transcription • Translation • Genetic code 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protein synthesis • Eukaryotic RNA • Universality of genetic information 	
Week 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extranuclear genome • Cytoplasmic inheritance • Organelle genetics 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developmental genetics • Gene regulation • Differentiation 	
Week 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population genetics • Gene frequencies • Hardy–Weinberg law 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Factors affecting gene equilibrium • Applications of population genetics • Course revision 	
Week 17	Terminal Examination	

BOT-6703		Research Methodology	Credit Hrs.3(2-1)
Week	Topics	Assignment / Quiz	
Week 1	Introduction to research: Meaning, objectives, and types of research		
Week 2	Research methods: Planning research, selecting methods, reporting results		
Week 3	Research process: Identification of research problem and formulation of research questions		
Week 4	Sampling techniques: Probability and non-probability sampling	Assignment #1	
Week 5	Data collection methods: Surveys, interviews, case studies		
Week 6	Documents, records, observation techniques	Quiz #1	
Week 7	Measurement of data: Scaling techniques, quantitative and qualitative data		
Week 8	Midterm		
Week 9	Research design: Experimental and quasi-experimental designs	Assignment #2	
Week 10	Descriptive and unobtrusive measurement techniques		
Week 11	Data analysis: Quantitative data analysis methods	Quiz #2	
Week 12	Qualitative data analysis methods		
Week 13	Writing a research paper: Structure and basic steps		
Week 14	Validity and reliability in research		
Week 15	Ethical issues in research		
Week 16	Thesis writing, plagiarism, referencing styles		
Week 17	Terminal Examination		

BOT-6704		Plant Biochemistry-II		Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)	
Weeks	Topic of Lecture			Activity	
1 st	Bioenergetics: Energy, laws about energy changes. Oxidation and reduction in living systems				
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2 nd	Biosynthesis, degradation and regulation of sucrose and starch				
	Biosynthesis, degradation and regulation of sucrose and starch				
3 rd	Biosynthesis, degradation and regulation of sucrose and starch				
	Breakdown of fats with special reference to beta-oxidation and its energy balance. Biosynthesis of fats.				
4 th	Breakdown of fats with special reference to beta-oxidation and its energy balance. Biosynthesis of fats.			Assignment	
	Replication of DNA				
5 th	Reverse transcription			Quiz	
	Reverse transcription				
6 th	Biosynthesis of DNA and RNA				
	Protein synthesis: initiation, elongation and termination.				
7 th	Protein synthesis: initiation, elongation and termination.				
	Genetic code				
8 th	Midterm				
9 th	Alkaloids: Occurrence, physiological effects, chemical nature			Assignment	
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10 th	Occurrence, physiological effects, chemical nature with special reference to solanine			Quiz	
	Occurrence, physiological effects, chemical nature with special reference to nicotine				
11 th	Occurrence, physiological effects, chemical nature with special reference to morphine				
	Occurrence, physiological effects, chemical nature with special reference to theine and caffeine				
12 th	Occurrence, physiological effects, chemical nature with special reference to theine and caffeine				
	Aflatoxins, their nature and role				
13 th	Terpenoids: Classification: monoterpenes, sesquiterpenes				
	Terpenoids: Classification: monoterpenes, sesquiterpenes				

14 th	Diterpenes, triterpenes, tetraterpenes, polyterpenes and their chemical constitution and biosynthesis	
	Diterpenes, triterpenes, tetraterpenes, polyterpenes and their chemical constitution and biosynthesis	
15 th	Diterpenes, triterpenes, tetraterpenes, polyterpenes and their chemical constitution and biosynthesis	
	Vitamins, General properties	
16 th	Vitamins role in metabolism	
	Vitamins role in metabolism	
17 th	Terminal	

BOT-6705 Plant Physiology-II		Credit Hrs. 3(2-1)
Week	Topics	Assessment
Week 1	Introduction to Plant Physiology-II; Overview of plant growth regulators	
Week 2	Auxins: structure, biosynthesis, transport, physiological effects	
Week 3	Gibberellins and Cytokinins: bioassays, mode of action, signaling	
Week 4	Abscisic acid and Ethylene: synthesis, transport, physiological roles	Assignment #1
Week 5	Polyamines, Brassinosteroids, Jasmonates, Salicylic acid	
Week 6	Soil-Plant-Atmosphere Continuum (SPAC); Structure and properties of water	Quiz #1
Week 7	Water in soil and plant cells; Water absorption pathways; Aquaporins	
Week 8	Midterm Examination	
Week 9	Cell water relations; Hofler diagram; Hydraulic conductivity	Assignment #2
Week 10	Measurement of water, osmotic and turgor potentials	
Week 11	Mineral nutrition: Inorganic composition of plants and soil; Nutrient uptake	Quiz #2
Week 12	Ion transport mechanisms; Membrane carriers, channels and pumps	
Week 13	Essential and beneficial elements; Deficiency symptoms; Fertilizers	
Week 14	Phytochromes and cryptochromes; Light perception and gene expression	
Week 15	Control of flowering: Photoperiodism, circadian rhythms, vernalization	

Week 16	Floral meristem development; ABC model; Gene regulation & signal transduction	
Week 17	Terminal Examination	Terminal Examination