GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BIOTECHNOLOGY (04) BASIC BIOCHEMISTRY SUBJECT CODE: 2130403 B.E. 3rd Semester

Type of course: B.E. (Biotechnology)

Prerequisite: Basic Concepts of Chemistry and Biology

Rationale: It is basic subject for the students of Bio-technology. Biotechnology deals with micro- and macro-molecules which carry out all the functions in the organism. Study of these molecules is important for research related to study of action of these molecules and metabolic diseases related to these molecules.

Teaching and Examination Scheme:

Teaching Scheme			Credits	Examination Marks					Total	
L	Т	Р	С	Theory Marks		Practical Marks		Marks		
				ESE	PA	A (M)	PA	A (V)	PA	
				(E)	PA	ALA	ESE	OEP	(I)	
3	0	3	6	70	20	10	20	10	20	150

Contents:

Sr. No.	Topics	Teaching Hrs.	Module Weightage
1	UNIT I - Carbohydrates	16	33
	Introduction and overview		
	Structure, Classification and Properties:		
	Monosaccharides, Disaccharides, Polysaccharides,		
	Glycoconjugates.		
	Metabolism: Glycolysis, TCA cycle, Electron Transport		
	chain and Oxidative Phosphorylation, Pentose Phosphate		
	Pathway, Gluconeogenesis, Glycogen synthesis and		
	breakdown, Glyoxalate Pathway.		
	Metabolic Disorders		
2	UNIT II - Amino acids and Proteins	8	17
	Amino acids: Structure, Physical and Chemical		
	properties, Classification		
	Proteins: Structure, Classification and Forces involved in		
	stability of proteins		
	Metabolism: Protein digestion and degradation, Urea		
	cycle		
3	UNIT III – Lipids	9	18
	Lipids – Biological significance, Structure and		
	classification (simple, compound, derived and lipid		
	associated compounds)		
	Metabolism - Transport and digestion of fats, Beta		
	oxidation of saturated fatty acids, Beta oxidation of		

	unsaturated (mono - and poly -) fatty acids, Beta		
	oxidation of odd number fatty acids, Lipid biosynthesis		
	Metabolic Disorders		
4	UNIT IV – Nucleic acids	8	17
	Nucleic acid – Basic components, Structure and types		
	Metabolism - Purine synthesis and degradation,		
	Pyrimidine synthesis and degradation		
5	UNIT V – Vitamins, Minerals and Water	7	15
	Vitamins – Fat soluble and Water soluble		
	Minerals – Macro and micro elements		
	Water - Properties of water and Ionization of water, weak		
	acids, weak bases		

Reference Books:

- 1. Lehninger's Principles of Biochemistry by David L. Nelson and Michael M Cox, Macmillan Worth Publisher
- 2. Lubert Stryer, Biochemistry, 4th Edition, WH Freeman & Co., 2000.
- 3. Voet and Voet, Biochemistry, 2nd Edition, John Wiley & Sons Inc., 1995.
- 4. Murray, R.K., Granner, B.K., Mayes, P.A., Rodwell. V.W., Harper's Biochemistry, Prentice Hall International.
- 5. Creighton. T.E., Proteins, Structure and Molecular Properties, 2nd Edition, W.H. Freeman and Co., 1993

Course Outcome:

After learning the course the students should be able:

- 1. Understanding of the key principles of Biochemistry at a basic level.
- 2. To analyze scientific concepts and think critically.
- 3. To understand, explain and correlate the reactions in biomolecules.
- 4. To design and carry out experiments (safely) and to interpret experimental data

List of Experiments and Open Ended Projects:

Minimum 5 practicals to be performed and remaining Open-ended Projects / Study Reports / Latest outcomes in technology study:-

- 1. In the beginning of the academic term, faculties will have to allot their students at least one Open-ended Projects / Study Reports / Latest outcome in technology.
- 2. Literature survey including patents and research papers of Biochemistry
 - Design based small project or
 - Study report based on latest scientific development or
 - Technology study report/ modeling/ simulation/collection report or
 - Computer based simulation/ web based application/ analysis presentations of basic concept field which may help them in Biotechnology.
- 3. These can be done in a group containing maximum three students in each.
- 4. Faculties should cultivate problem based project to enhance the basic mental and technical level of students.
- 5. Evaluation should be done on **approach of the student on his/her efforts** (not on completion) to study the design module of given task.
- 6. In the semester student should perform **minimum** 5 set of experiments and complete <u>one</u> <u>small open ended dedicated project</u> based on engineering applications. This project along with any performed experiment should be <u>EVALUATED BY EXTERNAL</u> <u>EXAMINER.</u>

PRACTICALS (ANY FIVE):

Sr. No.	List of Experiments
1.	Preparation of standard solutions and buffers.
2.	Estimation of monosaccharides and disaccharides by Cole's method.
3	Estimation of starch by Anthrone method.
4.	Estimation of ketose sugar by Roe's method.
5.	Estimation of free fatty acid content of lipid.
6.	Estimation of amino acids by Ninhydrin test.
7.	Qualitative tests for carbohydrates.
8.	Qualitative tests of amino acids
9.	Comparing different methods of protein estimation.
10.	Estimation of reducing sugar by DNSA method
11.	Estimation of reducing sugar by Nelson Somogii's method

Major Equipments:

Spectrophotometer, Colorimeter

Open Ended Project fields:-

Students are free to select any area of Basic Biochemistry based on Biotechnological application to define Projects. Some suggested projects are listed below:

- Qualitative and quantitative analysis of components of raw food for:
 - 1. Carbohydrate
 - 2. Amino acid
 - 3. Lipid
 - 4. Starch

List of Open Source Software/learning website:

- 1) Literature available in any laboratory manual of Basic Biochemistry.
- 2) NPTEL
- 3) MIT Open course lecture on Biochemistry.

ACTIVE LEARNING ASSIGNMENTS: Preparation of power-point slides, which include videos, animations, pictures, graphics for better understanding theory and practical work – The faculty will allocate chapters/ parts of chapters to groups of students so that the entire syllabus to be covered. The power-point slides should be put up on the web-site of the College/ Institute, along with the names of the students of the group, the name of the faculty, Department and College on the first slide. The best three works should submit to GTU.