Vidyasagar University

Curriculum for B.Sc (General) in Zoology [Choice Based Credit System]

Semester-I

Course	Course	Name of the	Course	Teaching Scheme in hour per week			Credit	Marks
	Code	Subjects	Type/					
			Nature					
				L	T	P		
CC1		C1T:Animal	Core	4	0	0	6	75
[DSC-1A]		Diversity	Course-1					
		C1P:Animal		0	0	4		
		Diversity						
CC2	TBD	DSC-2A	Core				6	75
[DSC-2A]		(other Discipline)	Course-2					
CC3	TBD	DSC-3A	Core				6	75
[DSC-3A]		(other Discipline)	Course-3					
AECC		English	AECC	1	1	0	2	50
			(Elective)					
Semester Total							20	275

L=Lecture, T=Tutorial, P=Practical, CC = Core Course, TBD = To be decided, AECC= Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course

DSC-1 = Discipline Specific Core of Subject-1, **DSC-2** = Discipline Specific Core of Subject-2,**DSC-3** = Discipline Specific Core of Subject-3.

Semester-I Core Course (CC)

CC-1 : Animal Diversity Credits 06

C1T: Animal Diversity Credits 04

Unit 1: Kingdom Protista

General characters and classification up to classes; Locomotory Organelles and locomotion in Protozoa

Unit 2: Phylum Porifera

General characters and classification up to classes; Canal System in Sycon

Unit 3: Phylum Cnidaria

General characters and classification up to classes; Polymorphism in Hydrozoa

Unit 4: Phylum Platyhelminthes

General characters and classification up to classes; Life history of Taenia solium

Unit 5: Phylum Nemathelminthes

General characters and classification up to classes; Life history of *Ascaris lumbricoides* and its parasitic adaptations

Unit 6: Phylum Annelida

General characters and classification up to classes; Metamerism in Annelida

Unit 7: Phylum Arthropoda

General characters and classification up to classes; Vision in Arthropoda, Metamorphosis in Insects

Unit 8: Phylum Mollusca

General characters and classification up to classes; Torsion in gastropods

Unit 9: Phylum Echinodermata

General characters and classification up to classes; Water-vascular system in Asteroidea

Unit 10: Protochordates

General features and Phylogeny of Protochordata

Unit 11: Agnatha

General features of Agnatha and classification of cyclostomes up to classes

Unit 12: Pisces

General features and Classification up to orders; Osmoregulation in Fishes

Unit 13: Amphibia

General features and Classification up to orders; Parental care

Unit 14: Reptiles

General features and Classification up to orders; Poisonous and non-poisonous snakes, Biting mechanism in snakes

Unit 15: Aves

General features and Classification up to orders; Flight adaptations in birds

Unit 17: Mammals

Classification up to orders; Origin of mammals

Note: Classification of Unit 1-9 to be followed from "Barnes, R.D. (1982). *Invertebrate Zoology*, V Edition"

C1P: Animal Diversity (Practical)

Credits 02

1. Study of the following specimens:

Amoeba, Euglena, Plasmodium, Paramecium, Sycon, Hyalonema, and Euplectella, Obelia, Physalia, Aurelia, Tubipora, Metridium, Taenia solium, Male and female Ascaris lumbricoides, Aphrodite, Nereis, Pheretima, Hirudinaria, Palaemon, Cancer, Limulus, Palamnaeus, Scolopendra, Julus, Periplaneta, Apis, Chiton, Dentalium, Pila, Unio, Loligo, Sepia, Octopus, Pentaceros, Ophiura, Echinus, Cucumaria and Antedon, Balanoglossus, Herdmania, Branchiostoma, Petromyzon, Sphyrna, Pristis, Torpedo, Labeo, Exocoetus, Anguilla, Ichthyophis/Ureotyphlus, Salamandra, Bufo, Hyla, Chelone, Hemidactylus, Chamaeleon, Draco, Vipera, Naja, Crocodylus, Gavialis, Any six common birds from different orders, Sorex, Bat, Funambulus, Loris

2. Study of the following permanent slides:

T.S. and L.S. of *Sycon*, Study of life history stages of *Taenia*, T.S. of male and female *Ascaris*

3. Key for identification of poisonous and non-poisonous snakes

An "animal album" containing photographs, cut outs, with appropriate write up about the above mentioned taxa. Different taxa/ topics may be given to different sets of students for this purpose.

Suggested Readings:

- 1. Ruppert and Barnes, R.D. (2006). *Invertebrate Zoology*, VIII Edition. Holt Saunders International Edition.
- 2. Barnes, R.S.K., Calow, P., Olive, P.J.W., Golding, D.W. and Spicer, J.I. (2002). *The Invertebrates: A New Synthesis*, III Edition, Blackwell Science
- 3. Young, J. Z. (2004). The Life of Vertebrates. III Edition. Oxford university press.
- 4. Pough H. Vertebrate life, VIII Edition, Pearson International.
- 5. Hall B.K. and Hallgrimsson B. (2008). *Strickberger's Evolution*. IV Edition. Jones and Bartlett Publishers Inc.