# 21CPHY161 INTRODUCTORY BIOLOGY

# Hours Per Week:

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1	-	2	2

# Total Hours:

L	Т	Р
15	-	30

# **Course Description and Objectives:**

This course will provide students' knowledge about the growth and development of living things including identification and classification

# **Course Outcomes:**

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to achieve the following outcomes:

COs	Course Outcomes	
1	Good understanding about origin of life and types and properties of living things	
2	Knowledge of cells their structure and functions, morphology, flowering and seed production of plants	

# SKILLS:

- √ Ability to identify different plants species
- ✓ Knowledge on classification on living organisms



# Source:

https://pages.vassar.edu/ teachingtales/

# **ACTIVITIES:**

- o Collect the specimens of plants and animals preserved by different methods
- o Prepare herbariums

#### UNIT - 1

Introduction to living world: Properties of life or living things – Growth, development and reproduction, regulation and homoeostasis - Diversity of Life – Major domains / kingdoms of living beings – Bacteria (Eubacteria), Archaea (Archebacteria) and Eukarya (Protista, Fungi, Plantae, Animalia) - Concepts of prokaryotes and eukaryotes, unicellular and multicellular organisms, plants and animals, sporophyte and gametophyte, monocots and dicots - Salient features, classification and alternation of generations of the plants of the following groups – Algae, Bryophytes, Pteridophytes, Gymnosperms and Angiosperms - Evolutionary relationships and differences among different kingdoms, viruses, viroids, prions and lichens and their special features

#### **UNIT - 2**

**Origin of life:** Theories of origin of life - Special creation, extra - terrestrial and spontaneous - Location of origin of life - Miller - Urey's experiment, Path of evolution of chemical molecules of living beings, theories of origin of cells — Endosymbiotic theory, Bubble theory — Evolution and eugenics — Nomenclature of living beings

#### **UNIT - 3**

**Cells:** Cell structure and organization of plants and animals - Cell theory and cell as the basic unit of life - Overview of the cell. Prokaryotic cells, ultra structure of plant cell (structure in detail and functions in brief) - Cell membrane, cell wall, cell organelles - Morphology and function: Endoplasmic reticulum, mitochondria, plastids, ribosomes, golgi bodies, vacuoles, lysosomes, microbodies, centrosome and centriole, cilia, flagella, cytoskeleton and nucleus, Cell cycle, Cell division

# UNIT - 4

**Morphology of flowering plants:** Roots, Stems, Leaf,Inflorescence, Flower - Structure and parts of flower, types of flowers based on sex distribution, structural symmetry, position of gynoecium, aestivation - Description of types of calyx, corolla, stamens and ovary; Seed - Structure and organization of seed in monocots and dicots - Seed germination - Necessary conditions for germination

# UNIT - 5

**Plant systematic:** Brassicaceae, Fabaceae, Poaceae- distribution, important plants, economicimportance, vegetative and floral characters, pollination, fruit and seed characters. Role of animals in agriculture

# LABORATORY EXPERIMENTS

# LIST OF EXPERIMENTS

- 1. Disproving the theory of spontaneous generation of life Pasteur's experiment
- 2. Structure and organization of plant cell
- 3. Selective permeability of cell membranes
- 4. Study of different types of plant cells Parenchyma, collenchyma and sclerenchyma
- 5. Study of different types of plant tissues Dermal, Vascular and Ground tissue
- 6. Study of mitosis through onion root tip cells
- 7. Study of meiosis through onion anther cells
- 8. External morphology of monocot roots Rice and maize
- 9. External morphology of dicot roots Brassica and any legume
- 10. External morphology and internal anatomy of monocot stem Rice and maize
- 11. External morphology and internal anatomy of dicot stem Brassica and any legume
- 12. External morphology of monocot leaf Rice and maize
- 13. External morphology of dicot leaf Brassica and any legume
- 14. Internal anatomy of ovary of monocots and dicots Any millet and legume
- 15. Description of Brassicaceae, Fabaceae and Poaceae with live specimens

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