DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE

DSC FT 15: Food Chemistry I

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITE OF THE COURSE

Course title & code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Theory	Tutorial	Practical/Practice		
Food Chemistry I	4	3	0	1	XII Pass with PCM/PCB	Nil

Learning Objectives

- To understand the composition of food.
- To learn the structure, interaction, importance & stability of macro & micro components.
- To understand the functional aspects of food components and to study their role in food processing.

Learning Outcomes

After completing this course, students will be able to:

- Understand and describe the general chemical structures of the major & minor components of foods.
- Give a molecular rationalization for the observed physical properties and reactivity of the food components.
- Provide a theoretical explanation for observed extent and rates of reactions that are common to foods
- Predict how processing conditions are likely to change the reactivity of food components

THEORY Credits: 3; Hours: 45

Unit I: Introduction to Food Chemistry

Unit II: Water 8 Hours

- Definition of water in food
- Structure of water and ice
- Types of water

2 Hours

- Sorption phenomenon
- Water activity and packaging
- Water activity and shelf-life

Unit III: Macronutrients

26 Hours

Lipids

- Classification of lipids
- Physical properties-melting point, softening point, specific gravity, refractive index, smoke, flash and fire point, turbidity point.
- Chemical properties-reichert meissl value, polenske value, iodine value, peroxide value, saponification value.
- Effect of frying on fats
- Changes in fats and oils- rancidity, lipolysis, flavor reversion
- Auto-oxidation and its prevention
- Technology of edible fats and oils- Refining, Hydrogenation and Interesterification, Fat Mimetics

Proteins

- Protein classification and structure
- Properties of proteins (electrophoresis, sedimentation, amphoterism and denaturation,)
- Functional properties of proteins eg. organoleptic, solubility, viscosity, binding gelation / texturization, emulsification, foaming.

Carbohydrates

- Classification (mono, oligo and poly saccharides)
- Structure of important polysaccharides (starch, glycogen, cellulose, pectin, hemicellulose, gums)
- Chemical reactions of carbohydrates -oxidation, reduction, with acid & alkali
- Modified celluloses and starches

Unit IV: Micronutrients

11 Hours

Vitamins

- Structure, Importance and Stability
- Water soluble vitamins
- Fat soluble vitamins

Minerals

- Major and minor minerals
- Metal uptake in canned foods
- Toxic metals

PRACTICALS

Credit: 1; Hours: 30

- 1. Preparation of primary and secondary standard Solutions.
- 2. Estimation of moisture content.
- 3. Determination of gelatinization temperature range (GTR) of different starches and effect of additives on GTR.
- 4. Determination of refractive index and specific gravity of fats and oils.
- 5. Determination of smoke point and percent fat absorption for different fat and oils.
- 6. Determination of percent free fatty acids.
- 7. Estimation of saponification value.
- 8. Estimation of total ash content.

Essential Readings

- DeMan, J.M.(2018). Principles of Food Chemistry. New York: AVI.
- Fennema, Owen R. (2017). Food Chemistry. 3rd Ed.. New York: Marcell Dekker
- Whitehurst and Law.(2002). Enzymes in Food Technology. Canada: CRC Press.

Suggested Readings

- Potter, N.N. and Hotchkiss, J.H. (1999). Food Science, 5th Ed., Chapman & Hall.
- Wong, Dominic WS. (2018). Food Enzymes. New York: Chapman and Hall.
- Meyer, L.H. (2004). Food Chemistry. CBS Publishers & Distributors Pvt Ltd, India.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.