

Course Code	ESC2xx			
Course Name	Ecology, Evolution, and Environment			
Credits	2			
Course Offered to	UG			
Course Description	The goal of this course is to familiarize the students with basic concepts in Ecology, Evolution, and Environmental Science, develop in them an understanding of the current environmental issues and the need for biodiversity conservation.			
Pre-requisites				
Pre-requisite (Mandatory)	Pre-requisite (Desirable)	Pre-requisite (Other)		
None	None	None		
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Post Conditions* (For suggestions on verbs please refer the second sheet)				
CO1	CO2	CO3	CO4	CO5
Describe human induced factors that are responsible for environmental degradation and loss of biodiversity	Justify importance of biodiversity conservation	Generate hypotheses about how different ecosystem services may be impacted due to climate change		
Weekly Lecture Plan				
Week Number	Lecture Topic	COs Met	Assignment/Labs/Tutorial	
Week 1	Organisms and their environment	CO1, CO2, CO3	A course project will be assigned. Groups of 4-6 students will work together on the project.	
Week 2-5	Fundamentals of Evolution	CO1, CO2		
Week 6-9	Fundamentals of Ecology	CO1, CO2, CO3		
Week 10	Ecosystems	CO1, CO2, CO3		
Week 11	Fieldwork	CO1, CO2, CO3		
Week 12	Biodiversity Conservation	CO1, CO2, CO3		
Week 13	Current Environmental Challenges	CO1, CO2, CO3		
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Weekly Lab Plan (if applicable)				
Week Number	Laboratory Exercise	COs Met	Platform (Hardware/Software)	
General Plan				
	TBD			
*Please insert more rows if required				
Assessment Plan				
Type of Evaluation	% Contribution in Grade			
Mid-sem	30			
End-sem	30			
Project	20			
Assignment	10			
Quiz	10			
*Please insert more row for other type of Evaluation				
Resource Material				
Type	Title			
Textbook				
Reference	1. From Individuals to Ecosystems, Michael Begon, Colin R. Townsend and John L. Harper, 2006, Blackwell Publishing, 4th edition.			
	2. The Economy of Nature, R.E. Ricklefs, 2008, WH Freeman and Co. 6th edition. (ISBN 9780716738831)			
	3. Evolution, D.J. Futuyama, 2009, Sunderland, MA: Sinauer Associates, 2nd edition (ISBN-13: 978-0878932238)			
	4. The Ecology of the Changing Planet, Mark B. Bush, 2003, Prentice Hall, 2nd edition (ISBN 0130662577, 9780130662576)			