### **Program Specific Outcomes**

Master's degree in Environmental Science provides graduates with the knowledge, skills, and experience needed to address complex environmental challenges and contribute to the sustainable management of natural resources.

The outcomes of a Master's degree in Environmental Science are:

- 1. Students will have a deep understanding of environmental science principles, including ecology, environmental chemistry, environmental policy, sustainability, and more.
- 2. They will develop advanced research skills, including the ability to design and conduct experiments, analyze data, and critically evaluate scientific literature.
- 3. Graduates will be equipped with the skills to identify environmental problems, assess their causes and impacts, and develop effective solutions.
- 4. They will gain an interdisciplinary perspective, integrating knowledge from various fields such as biology, chemistry, physics, geology, economics, sociology, and political science to address complex environmental issues.
- 5. Graduates will understand environmental policies, regulations, and governance structures at local, national, and international levels.
- 6. They will be proficient in communicating scientific findings and recommendations to diverse audiences, including policymakers, stakeholders, and the general public, through oral presentations, technical reports, and publications.
- 7. Many courses include fieldwork, providing hands-on experience in environmental monitoring, assessment and management.
- Graduates will be familiar with various technologies and tools used in environmental science, such as GIS (Geographic Information Systems), remote sensing, environmental modelling software, and laboratory equipment.
- 9. They will understand the ethical considerations and principles of sustainability in environmental decision-making and management.
- 10. Graduates may pursue careers in a wide range of fields, including environmental consulting, government agencies, non-profit organizations, academia, research institutions and private industry, working as environmental scientists, consultants, policymakers, educators, researchers, and administrators.

# First Semester Course Outcome

## **ESHC-1.1:** Multidisciplinary Nature of Environmental Science

- 1. Students will gain a comprehensive understanding of the physical, chemical, biological, and social dimensions of the environment, highlighting the multidisciplinary nature of environmental science.
- Graduates will be able to identify and comprehend various environmental issues, including pollution, conservation challenges, and resource management dilemmas, through a holistic lens encompassing diverse scientific disciplines.
- 3. Students will develop the ability to recognize and analyze complex environmental problems by considering their interrelated physical, chemical, biological, and social components.
- 4. Graduates will acquire skills in developing sustainable solutions to environmental challenges, integrating knowledge from different disciplines to address issues such as pollution control, habitat restoration, and resource conservation.
- 5. The much-sought intention of this paper is to expose students to Physical, Chemical, Biological, and social environments so that the outcome of the course will ensure awareness of the multidisciplinary nature of the subject, which will help the students to understand various issues and problems associated with environmental pollution, conservation, and management of environmental resources.

## **ESHC-1.2: Environment and Ecosystem**

The paper offers insight into the intricate interactions between living organisms and non-living components within our surroundings.

1. Exploration of dynamic relationships among organisms and their interactions with soil, water, air, and climate.

- 2. Study of various ecosystems and their components, including biotic and abiotic factors.
- 3. Investigation into energy flow through food chains and food webs within ecosystems.
- 4. Understanding roles of producers, consumers, and decomposers in energy transfer and nutrient cycling.
- 5. Examination of population and community dynamics, including factors influencing growth, distribution, and species interactions.

This course provides students with a comprehensive understanding of ecosystem dynamics, including the interactions between living and non-living components, energy flow, population and community ecology, and the influence of environmental factors. Through this knowledge, students gain insights into the complexities of environmental issues and the importance of sustainable ecosystem management.

### **ESHC-1.3: Environment for development**

- 1. The course aims to deepen students' understanding of crucial environmental issues that are integral to achieving sustainable development for modern human society.
- 2. Students will study various conservation challenges faced by ecosystems, species, and natural resources worldwide.
- 3. They will understand the importance of biodiversity conservation, habitat preservation, and ecosystem restoration efforts in maintaining ecological balance and resilience.
- 4. Students will understand the interconnectedness between environmental health, human well-being, and economic prosperity, emphasizing the importance of sustainable resource management and environmental stewardship.
- 5. Students will learn to identify and address the key environmental drivers of change that influence global sustainability.

This course will equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to develop and implement sustainable solutions to environmental challenges.

## **ESSC-1.4:** Aquatic Ecology

- 1. Aquatic ecosystems serve as major providers of ecosystem services crucial for human wellbeing. They play vital roles in regulating water quality, supporting biodiversity, and providing resources such as food and water.
- Students will study the classification and structural characteristics of aquatic ecosystems. They explore the diversity of freshwater, wetland, and marine ecosystems, understanding their unique features and functions.
- The course addresses various issues affecting the functionality of aquatic ecosystems. Students analyze current threats such as pollution, habitat destruction, overfishing, and climate change, which endanger water resources and biodiversity.
- 4. Students learn about the rich biodiversity associated with aquatic ecosystems. Emphasis is placed on the importance of conserving wetlands and protecting the diverse flora and fauna inhabiting these ecosystems.
- 5. This paper serves as a foundational knowledge base for students to address aquatic ecosystem issues.

It provides students with essential insights and tools to tackle conservation challenges and promote sustainable management of water resources.

## **ESSC-1.5: Radiation and Environment**

- 1. Through this course, students will gain insights into radiation chemistry, protection measures, waste management, and practical examples, equipping them with essential knowledge for addressing environmental challenges.
- 2. Radiation is omnipresent in our environment, stemming from sources like the Sun's nuclear reactions and naturally occurring radioactive materials, shaping life on Earth.
- 3. Light and heat from the Sun's nuclear reactions are fundamental to our survival, underscoring the importance of understanding radiation's role in our environment.
- 4. Life on Earth has evolved alongside radiation, making it an integral part of our ecological systems and biological makeup.

5. Environmental Science students will grasp the concepts of radiation and its effects on the environment and human health, as well as strategies for its control.

# Second Semester Course Outcome

## **ESHC-2.1: Environmental Chemistry and Environmental Statistics**

- 1. Environmental Chemistry explores into the effects chemicals exert on air, water, and soil, elucidating their significance in shaping both the environment and human health.
- 2. Students gain insights into atmospheric, soil, and water chemistry, equipping them to comprehend diverse environmental issues and devise effective solutions.
- 3. The course empowers students to become environmental advisors by applying their knowledge to address real-world challenges and provide viable solutions.
- 4. Environmental problems are complex and multifaceted, necessitating a comprehensive understanding that can be achieved through suitable application models and statistical analysis.
- 5. The primary objective of the course is to enrich students with a deep understanding of environmental chemistry coupled with statistical proficiency, enabling them to tackle environmental challenges with a holistic approach.

## **ESHC-2.2: Environmental Pollution**

- 1. The course emphasizes that pollutants, originating from both natural and human activities, pose significant public health risks when their concentrations surpass critical levels, underscoring the importance of pollution control measures.
- 2. Students gain a thorough understanding of water pollution, air pollution, soil pollution, noise pollution, and thermal pollution, including their sources, impacts, and control strategies.
- 3. Through exposure to various dimensions of pollution, students develop practical skills to address environmental challenges effectively, focusing on implementing control measures to mitigate pollution's adverse effects.

- 4. The course provides insights into the status of environmental pollution in India, enabling students to grasp the specific environmental issues facing the country and empowering them to contribute meaningfully to addressing these challenges.
- 5. Upon completing the course, students emerge with the competence to tackle a range of environmental issues related to pollution, equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to implement effective control measures and promote sustainable environmental management practices.

### **ESSC-2.3: Energy and Energy Resources**

- Energy serves as the fundamental backbone of all life and ecosystem production activities, encompassing both traditional and modern industrial processes. In this course, students will be provided with an in-depth knowledge of various renewable and non-renewable sources of energy, their production, application, and issues related to consumption.
- The course offers comprehensive insights into a wide range of energy resources, including both renewable and non-renewable sources, covering their production methods, applications, and associated consumption issues.
- 3. Students gain a deep understanding of the complexities surrounding energy usage and its environmental implications, enabling them to become proficient environmental managers.
- 4. By studying this course, students develop the ability to identify the underlying causes of current environmental issues, rooted in energy production and consumption patterns.
- 5. Equipped with knowledge of energy sources and their environmental impacts, students are empowered to devise sustainable solutions and contribute to effective environmental management practices.

### **ESSC-2.4: Solid waste management and Resource Recovery**

- 1. The course highlights the severe environmental consequences of inadequately managed solid waste, including soil, air, and water contamination, which can disrupt ecosystems and harm biodiversity.
- 2. The students will study the effective solid waste management, which is crucial for minimizing waste accumulation, emphasizing the importance of implementing strategies to reduce waste generation.

- 3. Students gain extensive knowledge about various types of solid waste, disposal methods, and mitigation strategies, enabling them to understand the full scope of solid waste management.
- Through hands-on learning experiences, students actively engage in the collection, treatment, and disposal procedures for solid waste, enhancing their practical skills in waste management.
- 5. By equipping students with the necessary expertise in solid waste management, the course aims to mitigate the impact of solid waste on ecosystems, promoting sustainable environmental stewardship and conservation efforts.

### **ESSC-2.5: Natural Resources and Conservation**

- The course emphasizes the importance of maintaining properly functioning ecosystems to provide essential services vital for life, including clean air, water, fertile soil, and a stable climate.
- 2. Human activities have led to the depletion of natural components of ecosystems, highlighting the urgent need for natural resource conservation to mitigate further environmental degradation.
- 3. Students gain essential knowledge about various natural resources of the Earth, including forests, water, land, and food resources, along with strategies for conservation.
- 4. Natural resource conservation is critical for managing and preserving important resources for the benefit of future generations, ensuring sustainability and continuity of essential ecosystem services.
- 5. By understanding natural resources and conservation principles, students develop the skills necessary to become effective environmental managers, capable of implementing conservation strategies and promoting sustainable resource management practices.

## **ES IDE-1: Environmental Education**

1. As an open elective, the course covers fundamental topics such as drivers of environmental degradation, sustainable development, environmental awareness, and formal and non-formal education approaches.

- The students will be exposed to environmental education facilitates and active exploration of environmental issues, encouraging individuals to engage in problem-solving and take meaningful action to enhance the environment.
- Helps to recognise the universal importance of environmental awareness and action, The course promotes compulsory education to cultivate respect for ecosystems among all students.
- 4. Students gain insights into various international initiatives aimed at addressing environmental challenges, fostering a global understanding of the need for sustainability and conservation efforts.
- 5. By equipping students with knowledge and awareness of environmental issues, the course empowers them to become advocates for sustainability and conservation, promoting the development of a culture centered around responsible environmental stewardship.

# Third Semester Course Outcome

### **ESHC-3.1: Environmental Engineering and Science**

- 1. The course emphasizes the application of engineering principles to address issues related to air, water, and soil pollution, as well as the management of hazardous waste, providing students with practical solutions to environmental challenges.
- 2. Environmental officers, managers, and policymakers require an understanding of engineering and mechanical processes to effectively control pollution. This course equips students with the necessary knowledge to fulfil these roles.
- Upon completion of the course, students are proficient in implementing various techniques such as wastewater treatment, industrial effluent management, solid waste management, and hazardous waste management, enhancing their ability to tackle diverse environmental problems.
- Students gain practical experience in implementing engineering solutions for pollution control and waste management, preparing them for real-world challenges in environmental management roles.

5. The course empowers students with the skills and knowledge needed to analyze environmental problems and devise effective engineering-based solutions, contributing to sustainable environmental management practices.

## ESHC-3.2: Environmental Impact Assessment, GIS, and

### **Environmental Microbiology**

- 1. The course ensures students acquire comprehensive knowledge of EIA, a vital tool for safeguarding the environment and promoting sustainable development by identifying potential impacts and proposing mitigation measures for developmental projects.
- 2. Students gain proficiency in GIS, enabling them to effectively manage, manipulate, analyze, and represent georeferenced data for resource planning and management, facilitating solutions to complex environmental problems.
- 3. The curriculum covers various aspects of EIA techniques, environmental auditing, and environmental management plans, providing students with the necessary skills to ensure environmentally responsible project design and implementation.
- 4. Environmental microbiology studies microbial interactions with the environment, equipping students with knowledge of microbial communities' composition and physiology in soil, water, air, and sediments. Students learn to utilize microorganisms to address environmental challenges effectively.
- 5. By integrating knowledge from EIA, GIS, and environmental microbiology, students develop a holistic understanding of environmental issues and acquire the tools and techniques necessary to propose and implement sustainable solutions in environmental management.

### **ESSC-3.3:** Global Environmental Changes and Natural Hazards

- 1. The course addresses the interconnected anthropogenic problems of Earth's ecosystem, including global warming, acid rain, ozone depletion, and deforestation, which have wide-ranging negative impacts on human activities and economies globally.
- 2. Students gain in-depth knowledge of Earth's atmosphere, climate dynamics, greenhouse gases, and the prediction of climate change, providing a solid foundation for understanding global environmental issues and natural hazards.

- 3. The course empowers students to actively engage in finding solutions to climate-related issues, fostering a sense of responsibility and agency in tackling environmental challenges.
- 4. Students become knowledgeable about the various factors influencing climate change, enabling them to recognize the complexities of environmental degradation and its impacts.
- 5. Through the course, students learn about potential solutions to mitigate the effects of climate change, equipping them with the tools to contribute positively to environmental conservation efforts.

## **ESSC-3.4:** Water Quality Science

- The course acknowledges the pressing issue of inadequate access to safe and clean water, a major risk factor for the spread of infectious diseases, highlighting the importance of understanding water quality and standards for public awareness.
- Students explore a range of topics encompassing water management, including sources of water, water use and demand, quality issues, standards, consequences of pollution on water quality, and treatment methods, providing a holistic understanding of water-related challenges.
- 3. By studying water quality issues, students gain awareness of the consequences of pollution on water quality, empowering them to recognize and address environmental impacts that affect public health.
- 4. The knowledge acquired in this course has direct applications in day-to-day life, equipping students with the understanding and skills necessary to address water quality concerns in their communities and personal lives.
- 5. Students who opt for this course emerge with a strong foundation in water quality issues, enabling them to advocate for improved water management practices and policies that safeguard public health and environmental sustainability.

### **ESSC-3.5:** Air Pollution Monitoring

- 1. The course underscores the importance of protecting public health from pollutants, particularly addressing the significant threats posed by air pollution to human well-being.
- 2. Given the severity of air pollution's health impacts, there is a pressing need for effective remedies to control and mitigate air pollution, highlighting the critical nature of the current situation.

- 3. Students are equipped with expertise in tackling air pollution through a curriculum covering essential topics such as basic issues of air pollution, air quality standards, air sampling and analysis techniques, instrumentation, pollution control measures, and legal frameworks.
- 4. The course provides practical training to students, enabling them to apply their knowledge in real-world scenarios as environmental officers, thereby enhancing their competitiveness in the field.
- 5. By mastering the intricacies of air pollution management, students emerge from the course with the skills and expertise needed to address environmental challenges effectively, positioning them as competent environmental officers capable of safeguarding public health.

### **ESSC-3.6: Environmental Nanoscience**

- 1. The course introduces students to the unique properties of nanoscale materials, which can offer novel and unexpected solutions to various environmental challenges.
- 2. Students gain appreciation for diverse topics such as environmental chemistry, colloidal chemistry, and nanotechnology, providing a multidisciplinary foundation for addressing environmental issues.
- 3. Through the course, students learn about the preparation of nanomaterials, equipping them with practical skills for manipulating materials at the nanoscale level.
- 4. Students explore the application of nanotechnology in addressing environmental issues, gaining insight into how nanomaterials can be utilized for tasks such as pollution remediation and environmental monitoring.
- 5. By mastering the fundamentals of nanotechnology and its application to environmental problems, students are prepared for future endeavours in environmental science and technology.

#### ES IDE-2: Drinking water resources, quality, and management

 The course adopts an interdisciplinary approach, catering to students who did not major in environmental science by focusing on the vital topic of drinking water resources, quality, and management.

- Students explore various aspects of drinking water, including its sources, water stress, quality assessment, treatment methods, water supply systems, and the current status of drinking water in India, ensuring a thorough understanding of the subject.
- 3. Even for non-environmental science students, the course raises awareness about the critical importance of drinking water quality and effective management practices, highlighting its significance for public health and well-being.
- 4. Through the course, students acquire practical knowledge about the challenges associated with drinking water management and the strategies employed to ensure access to safe and clean drinking water for communities.
- 5. By studying drinking water resources and management, students develop crossdisciplinary competence, enabling them to address complex environmental issues beyond their primary field of study.

## Fourth Semester Course Outcome

#### **ESHC-4.1:** Ecotoxicology

- 1. The course addresses the pervasive issue of chemical contaminants in everyday commodities, highlighting their potential health risks at both individual and ecosystem levels.
- 2. As an applied paper, the course delves into ecotoxicology, providing students with insights into the effects of environmental contaminants on ecosystems and organisms.
- 3. Students explore fundamental aspects of ecotoxicology, including the identification of environmental contaminants, their pathways in ecosystems, and processes such as uptake, biotransformation, detoxification, elimination, and accumulation of toxic substances.
- 4. Through the course, students develop proficiency in assessing the risks associated with chemical contaminants, enabling them to evaluate and mitigate potential environmental and health hazards.
- 5. By studying ecotoxicology, students remain up-to-date with recent advancements and advancements in the field, ensuring they are equipped with current information to address contemporary challenges related to contamination and environmental health.

### ESHC-4.2: Occupational Health and Safety & Environmental Law

- 1. The course is designed to prepare students for their future careers in industry and various occupations by providing fundamental knowledge of occupational health, hygiene, and safety measures essential for a safe work environment.
- 2. Students learn about important safety protocols and measures to prevent workplace accidents and injuries, ensuring their well-being while working in any occupation.
- The curriculum includes education on environmental laws and protection legislation, enabling students to understand their rights and responsibilities concerning environmental protection in the workplace.
- 4. Through the course, students gain awareness of potential occupational hazards and learn how to identify, assess, and mitigate risks to ensure their safety and the safety of others in the workplace.
- 6. By familiarizing themselves with environmental laws, students become knowledgeable about legal requirements and regulations, ensuring compliance with environmental legislation in their future occupations.

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