INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME FOR UG DEGREE (SEMESTER-V)

(For the students admitted under New Curriculum and Credit Framework from the academic session 2023-24)



Course Title: Microscopy in Plant Science

| Internship Providing Organization (IPO): | Department of Botany Bankura Sammilani College |
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| Category of Course: | For UG DEGREE (SEM-V) |
| Duration: | 60 Hours |
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| Intake Capacity: | 55 Students |
| Course Fees: | Rs. 100/- (Students from Host Institution) Rs. 400/- (Students from Other Institution) |

SYLLABUS

Course Title: Microscopy in Plant Science [50 Marks/2 Credits/60 Hours]

Learning Outcomes (LO)

- Learn about principles and functioning of different types of microscopes used for studying plant specimen.
- Develop skill for sectioning, staining and preparation of permanent slides of different plant specimens.
- Know the process of sample preparation for fluorescence and electron microscopy.
- Able to take proper measurement and images of plant specimen using conventional methods as well as modern computerized software.

(Theory)

Unit 1. Types of Microscopies

[8 Hours]

Principle and functioning of- Bright field microscope (Simple and Compound); Dark Field Microscope; Phase contrast Microscope; Confocal Microscope; Fluorescent Microscope; Stereo Microscope; Electron Microscope (SEM and TEM).

Unit 2. Sectioning and Staining

[14 Hours]

Free hand and Microtome sectioning; Types of Section- TS, LS, RLS, TLS etc.; Process and application of simple staining and differential staining; Cytological staining techniques; Preparation of permanent slides; Fluorescent labelling; Sample preparation for electron microscopy (fixation, dehydration, critical point drying (CPD), gold coating etc.)

Unit 3. Measurement and Imaging

[8 Hours]

Cell size measurement; Area calculation; Calculation of magnification; Use of scale bar; Camera Lucida drawing; Imaging and measurement through camera attachment and computerized software.

(Practical)

[30 Hours]

- 1. Proper handling of Simple and Compound Microscope.
- 2. Demonstration of images taken by different types of microscopes.
- 3. Free hand sectioning of different types of plant specimens.
- 4. Simple staining of algae or other plant materials.
- 5. Double staining of plant specimen for anatomical studies.
- 6. Dehydration and Permanent slide preparation of plant specimens.

- 7. Acetocarmine staining and squashed preparation of *Alium* root tip.
- 8. Sample preparation for SEM (Fixation and Dehydration)
- 9. Cell size measurement using Ocular and Stage micrometer and calculation of magnification.
- 10. Camera Lucida drawing of algae or any other plant specimen.
- 11. Imaging and measurement of plant specimen through camera attachment and computerized software.

Suggested Reading

Singh, D.R., 2018. Principles and Techniques in Histology, Microscopy and Photomicrography (2nd Edition), CBS Publishers & Distributors Pvt. Ltd.

Marimuthu, R., 2011. Microscopy and Microtechnique, MJP Publishers.

Lawlor, D., 2019. Introduction to Light Microscopy: Tips and Tricks for Beginner, Springer.

Ruizen S.E., 1999. Plant Microtechnique and Microscopy, Oxford University Press.