



SNDT Women's University, Mumbai

**Master of Science
(Home Science- Food Science and
Nutrition)**

M.Sc. (FSN)

As per NEP 2020

**Syllabus
(w.e.f. Academic Year 2023-24)**

M.Sc. (Food Science and Nutrition)

Semester I						
<i>SN</i>	<i>Courses</i>	<i>Type of Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Marks</i>	<i>Int</i>	<i>Ext</i>
114311	Physiological Biochemistry (Th.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
114312	Food Chemistry (Th.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
114313	Human Nutrition I (Macro nutrients & water) (Th.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
114324	Methods of Investigations in Foods & Nutrition (Pr.)	Major (Core)	2	50	50	-
124321 124312	Food Science & Chemistry (Pr.) OR Public Nutrition & Health (Th.)	Major (Elective)	4	100	50	50
134311	Methods of Research (Th.)	Minor Stream (RM)	4	100	50	50
End of Semester I			22	550	300	250
Semester II						
214311	Food Microbiology I (Th. & Pr.)	Major (Core)	4 (2 + 2)	100	50	50
214312	Human Nutrition II (Micro nutrients) (Th.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
214313	Food Safety & Quality Control (Th. & Pr.)	Major (Core)	4 (1 + 3)	100	50	50
214324	Food Product Development, Modification & Sensory Evaluation (Pr.)	Major (Core)	2	50	50	-
224321 224312 224313 224314	Food Processing & Technology (Pr.) OR Food Quality Standards & Regulations (Th.) OR	Major (Elective)	4	100	50	50

	Functional Foods, Biodynamic Principles, Nutraceuticals OR Food Entrepreneurship					
244341	Internship *	OJT	4	100	50	50
Exit with PG Diploma in Food Science Nutrition (FSN)			22	550	300	250

(* Internship at Research & Development Laboratory/Food Analysis Laboratory/ Nutrition Research)

SECOND YEAR

M.Sc. (Food Science & Nutrition)

Semester III						
Code	Courses	Type of Course	Credits	Marks	Int	Ext
314311	Statistical Application in Research	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
314312	Maternal & Child Nutrition (Th.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
314313	Food Microbiology II (Th. & Pr.)	Major (Core)	4 (2 +2)	100	50	50
314324	Assessment of Nutritional Status (Pr.)	Major (Core)	2	50	50	-
324321 324312 324313 324314 324315 324316	Food Product Development (Pr.) OR Genetics OR Research from Molecular Level to Human OR Recent Methods in Food Processing, Preservation and Packaging OR Understanding Metabolic and Cardiovascular Health OR Advances in Food Microbiology and Safety	Major (Elective)	4	100	50	50
354331	Research Project	RP	4	100	50	50
End of Semester III			22	550	300	250
Semester IV						
414311	Nutrigenetics & Nutrigenomics (Th.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
414312	Nutrition Human Microbiome & Health (Th.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
414323	Nutrition in Society (Pr.)	Major (Core)	4	100	50	50
424311 424312 424313	Environment Sustainability, Food and Nutrition Security for Health OR Integrated Lifestyle Health Management OR Integrated Diet and	Major (Elective)	4	100	50	50

424314	Musculoskeletal Health OR Food Product Development for Special population OR Indian Knowledge Systems in Diet, Food & Health OR Nutritional Epidemiology					
424315						
424316						
424317						
454331	Dissertation	RP	6	150	50	100
End of Semester IV			22	550	250	300

Course Syllabus

Semester III

3.1 Major (Core):

Course Title	Statistical Application in Research
Subject Code	314411
Course Credits	4
Course Outcomes	After going through the course, learners will be able to
	1. Identify parametric and non-parametric tests
	2. Apply statistical tests for data analysis for both large and small samples
	3. Interpret the results of statistical analysis of data
	4. Summarize data and present it using tables and graphs
Module 1 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Analyze parametric and non-parametric test
	2. Apply the statistical programs for data management
Content Outline	Introduction to Statistics Definition, conceptual understanding of statistical measures, popular concepts and misuse of statistics Normal Distribution and its Properties a. Normal distribution b. Binomial distribution c. Probability, use of normal probability tables, area under normal distribution curve d. Parametric and non-parametric tests Data Management Planning for data analysis – coding of responses, preparation of code book Coding of data Use of statistical programs - MS Excel - SPSS
Module 2 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to

	1. Describe quantitative analysis, descriptive & inferential statistics.
	2. Apply large and small sample tests and interpret the results.
Content Outline	Data Analysis a. Quantitative analysis, descriptive statistics, inferential statistics : Uses and limitations, Summation sign and its properties b. Proportions, percentages, ratios c. Measures of central tendency-mean, median, mode-arithmetic mean and its uses, mid – range, geometric mean, weighted mean d. Measures of dispersion /variability- range, variance, standard deviation, standard error, coefficient of variation, Kurtosis, skewness Grouped data-frequency distribution, histogram, frequency polygons, percentiles, quartiles, tertiles, ogive e. Large and Small Sample tests and interpretation - . Z-test for single proportions and difference between proportions - . Large sample test for single mean and difference between means - . Small sample tests- 't'-test, paired 't'-test, 'F' Test
Module 3 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Interpret chi square test, correlation & regression
	2. Distinguish between experiment designs
Content Outline	Chi square test and its interpretation a. General features, goodness of fit b. Independence of Attributes Correlation and Regression and its interpretation a. Basic concepts b. Linear regression and correlation coefficient Regression and prediction c. Rank correlation, Product-moment method Analysis of Variance and its interpretation a. One-factor analysis of variance b. Two-factor analysis of variance Design of Experiments a. Completely randomized design b. Randomized block design c. Latin square design d. Factorial design
Module 4 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to

	1. Discuss the presentation of Data
	2. Prepare research proposal
Content Outline	Presentation of Data a. Tabulation and Organization of data- frequency distributions, cumulative frequency distribution, contingency tables b. Graphical presentation of data- histogram, frequency polygon, ogive, stem and leaf plot, box and whiskers plot, Graphs for nominal and ordinal data- pie diagram, bar graphs of different types, graphs for relation between two variables, line diagram. Use of illustrations Cautions in visual display of data The Research Report Basic components of a research report- prefatory material, introduction and Review of Related Literature, Methodology, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, Summary, Abstract, Bibliography and Appendices Students to design a research study on a topic- - specify type of research - sample selection - protocol/operationalization - tools - tests for statistical analysis Preparation of a Research Proposal
Assignments / Activities towards Comprehensive Continuous Evaluation (CCE) • Assignment on a standard normal curve • Assignment on calculation of descriptive statistics • Assignment to test the hypothesis • Assignment on sample size calculation	

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3.2 Major (Core):

Course Title	Maternal & Child Nutrition
Subject Code	314312
Course Credits	4
Course Outcomes	After going through the course, learners will be able to
	1. Discuss the physiological changes in pregnancy and lactation
	2. Describe the growth and developmental changes from conception till adolescence.
	3. Identify the inter-relationship between nutrition and growth and development during life cycle
	4. Apply their knowledge in community and public nutrition/health programmes
Module 1 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Determine the physiological changes during pregnancy and discuss the stages of embryonic development
	2. Discuss the nutritional requirements during pregnancy
	3. Determine the various complications that occur during pregnancy and their management
Content Outline	Changing concepts and controversies in Maternal and Child Nutrition Importance of Maternal Nutrition during Pregnancy : Unit 1. Importance of nutrition prior to and during pregnancy Unit 2. Pre-requisites for successful outcome. Effect of undernutrition on mother-child dyad including pregnancy outcome and Maternal and Child Health – Short term and Long term Unit 3. Physiology and endocrinology of pregnancy and embryonic and fetal growth and development Unit 4. Nutritional requirements during pregnancy Unit 5. Adolescent Pregnancy Unit 6. Pregnancy and AIDS, Pregnancy and TB Unit 7. Intra-uterine growth retardation critical windows of development and programming concepts

	Unit 8. Complications of pregnancy and management and importance of antenatal care Unit 9. Congenital malformations, fetal alcohol syndrome and gestational diabetes mellitus
Module 2 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Describe the physiology and endocrinology of lactation
	2. Discuss the nutritional composition of breastmilk
	3. Describe key nutritional strategies for infant feeding and importance of exclusive breastfeeding
	4. Identify problems faced by lactating mothers and their management
Content Outline	Lactation and Infant feeding Unit 1. Development of mammary tissue and role of hormones Unit 2. Physiology and endocrinology of lactation – Synthesis of milk components, let down reflex, role of hormones, lactational amenorrhea, effect of breast feeding on maternal health Unit 3. Human milk composition and factors affecting breastfeeding and fertility, maternal nutritional status and milk composition Unit 4. Management of lactation – Prenatal breastfeeding skills Education. Rooming in, problems – sore nipples, engorged breast, inverted nipples Unit 5. Exclusive breastfeeding Baby friendly Hospitals Initiative Unit 6. Breast feeding in the age of AIDS Feeding of infants and children and dietary management, key issues in infant Feeding
Module 3 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Discuss nutritional management strategies adopted for preterm and LBW infants
	2. Describe the growth and development patterns in various stages of childhood
	3. Apply the knowledge of using growth charts into practise by conducting growth monitoring of infants, children and adolescents

Content Outline	Infant physiology and the preterm and LBW infants: Implications for feeding and management Growth and development during infancy, childhood and adolescence a. Normal pattern of growth and development b. Norms/standards for growth c. Growth monitoring and promotion, growth faltering, Failure to thrive
Module 4 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Determine the intergenerational impact of maternal and child malnutrition
	2. Discuss public health policies and programmes in realm of maternal and child care in India
Content Outline	Malnutrition in mothers and children: etiology and management (in brief) Consequences of malnutrition on physical development, mental development, cognitive development. Effect of deficiencies of specific nutrients Current Nutrition and Health Status of Women and Children in India. Policies and programmes for promoting maternal and child nutrition & health. International, national and state level Concept of small family, methods of family planning, merits and demerits.
Assignments / Activities towards Comprehensive Continuous Evaluation (CCE) • Assignment on clinical assessment of malnutrition amongst children. • Case study of low birth weight babies. • Nutritional assessment of mothers. • Workshop on SAM and MAM children. • Visit to ICDS Centres.	

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3.3 Major (Core):

Course Title	Food Microbiology II
Subject Code	314313
Course Credits	4 (2 Th+2 Pr)
Course Outcomes	After going through the course, learners will be able to
	1. Discuss the hazards of food- borne disorders and identify the recent procedures adopted in various food operations to prevent them
	2. Conduct bacteriological examination of food samples
	3. Apply the concepts of food safety and microbiological testing into practice
Theory	
Module 1 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Describe the common pathogens implicated in food-borne disorders
	2. Discuss the risk factors and impact of food-borne disorders
Content Outline	Food borne infections and diseases: Significance to public health Food hazards and risk factors Bacterial, and viral food-borne disorders, Food-borne important animal parasites, Mycotoxins. <i>Bacillus, Campylobacter, Brucella, Staphylococcus, Clostridium, E.coli, Aeromonas, Vibrio cholerae, Listeria, Mycobacterium, Salmonella, Shigella</i>
Module 2 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Determine the legal rules and regulations concerning food safety
	2. Apply the principles of HACCP in conducting food safety analysis

Content Outline	Quality Control/Quality Assurance Legislation for food safety – national and international Criteria, sampling schemes, records, risk analysis QC- microbial source, code Indicators of food safety and quality: Microbiological criteria of foods and their significance The HACCP system and food safety used in controlling microbiological hazards
Practical Module 1 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Conduct tests for identification of bacterial contamination of food samples
Content Outline	Various biochemical tests used in identification of commonly found bacteria in foods: IMVIC urease, H ₂ S, Catalase, coagulase, gelatin and fermentation (Acid/gas) Demonstration of available rapid methods and diagnostic kits used In identification of microorganisms or their products. HACCP
Module 2 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to -
	1. Summarize latest techniques in food microbiology
Content Outline	Visits (at least two) to food processing unit or any other organization dealing with advanced methods in food microbiology Project
Assignments / Activities towards Comprehensive Continuous Evaluation (CCE) 1. Discuss the latest approaches in detection of pathogens in food. 2. What is NABL accreditation in food testing laboratories 3. Discuss the importance of having a HACc-P system in a food manufacturing unit.	

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- Journal of Food Science Published by the Institute of Food Technologists, Chicago, U.S.A.

1.4 Major (Core):

Course Title	Assessment of Nutritional Status
Subject Code	314324
Course Credits	2
Course Outcomes	After going through the course, learners will be able to
	1. Analyze and various methods for assessment of nutritional status, body composition analysis.
	2. Carry out and interpret the assessment of dietary/nutrient intakes
	3. Conduct assessment of physical activity and energy expenditure
Practical	
Module 1 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Evaluate the different body composition analysis techniques for nutritional assessment
	2. Apply the correct methods for anthropometric measurements
Content Outline	Assessment of Nutritional Status a) Reliability b) Validity c) Accuracy d) Precision Measurement of weight and height a) Assessment of nutritional status for adults, young and older children b) Calculation of BMI c) Interpretation Use of WHO reference standards Wasting, stunting, underweight, severe and moderate malnutrition d) Calculation of z-scores and use of software Circumference Measurements – chest, head, mid arm. Waist, hip and ratios wherever applicable to children and adults

	Body Composition a) Use of skinfold b) Bioelectric impedance c) Dual X-ray Absorptiometry (DEXA) d) Calculation of body fat WHO Software for Z Scores, IAP Growth charts.
Module 2 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	2. Determine the legal rules and regulations concerning food safety
	2. Apply the principles of HACCP in conducting food safety analysis
Content Outline	Dietary intake assessment a) Food frequency questionnaire b) A 24 hour diet recall and record - Weighment method Assessment of energy expenditure a) Indirect calorimetry - use of ergometer, treadmill, heart rate monitoring b) Recording physical activities c) Factorial estimation of energy expenditure: MET, PAL Study of food labels- calculation of DV d) Study of food labels- calculation of DV e) In vitro starch digestibility
Assignments / Activities towards Comprehensive Continuous Evaluation (CCE) • Executing WHO Software for Z Scores. • Plotting IAP Growth charts. • Using BIA machine to analyze body composition of adults. • Project on dietary assessment using dietary recall techniques.	

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3.5.1 Major (Elective):

Course Title	Food Product Development (Practical)
Subject Code	324321
Course Credits	4
Course Outcomes	After going through the course, learners will be able to
	1. Apply various aspects of food product development including Food Science and Technology, Marketing and Consumer research, finance and communication
	2. Develop products which meet consumer needs, and are nutritionally and commercially viable
	3. Acquire skills in the various aspects including shelf life assessment, testing of quality parameters and acceptability, packaging and labelling of a product
Module 1 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Prepare food product and conduct its nutritional evaluation
Content Outline	Nutritional evaluation (estimation of relevant parameters) Packaging and Labelling of the product - Packaging design, graphics and labeling
Module 2 (Credit 2)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Undertake bulk preparation of the proposed food product and conduct its shelf life testing
Content Outline	Bulk preparation of product Shelf life testing of the product (testing for appropriate quality parameters- chemical, microbiological and nutrient content, acceptability studies) Product integrity and conformance to standard
Module 3 (Credit 1)	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Undertake costing, marketing, advertising and sales of the developed product

Content Outline	Costing the product and determining the sales price Advertising and test marketing the product
Module 4 : Report preparation	
Assignments / Activities towards Comprehensive Continuous Evaluation (CCE)	
• Market survey of recent/ innovative food products. • Assignment on packaging material. • Test marketing, costing and sensory evaluation. • Development of food product and quantity food production.	

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- Food Technology
- International Journal of Food Science and Technology
- Journal of Food Technology
- Trends in Food Science and Technology

3.5 RP

Course Title	Research Project
Subject Code	354331
Course Credits	4
Course Outcomes	After going through the course, learners will be able to
	1. Demonstrate mastery of parametric and non-parametric statistical tests through application in data analysis.
	2. Evaluate and critique quantitative analysis methods, demonstrating proficiency in interpreting large and small sample tests for inferential statistics.
	3. Synthesize advanced statistical techniques such as chi-square tests, correlation, and regression to analyze complex datasets and draw meaningful conclusions.
	4. Construct comprehensive research proposals, integrating data presentation techniques and discussing experimental designs with clarity and precision
Module 1 (Credit 1) Formulation of problem	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Recognize and undertake research problem.
Content Outline	• Identifying research gaps and formulating research questions. • Sources of research problems (literature, real-world issues, academic curiosity). • Techniques for developing research questions. • Writing clear and measurable research objectives.

Module 2 (Credit 2) Review of Literature	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Review the existing literature
Content Outline	• Conducting comprehensive literature searches using databases and other resources. • Evaluating and selecting relevant literature. • Organizing literature into themes and developing a theoretical framework. • Writing a coherent and critical literature review.
Module 3 (Credit 1) Designing Research proposal	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Apply critical thinking to the problem selected for research
Content Outline	• Components of a research proposal (title, abstract, introduction, etc.). • Selecting appropriate research design (exploratory, descriptive, experimental). • Methodology: data collection methods and sampling techniques. • Writing and structuring the research proposal.
Module 4 (Credit 1) Planning tools & techniques for data collection	
Learning Outcomes	After learning the module, learners will be able to
	1. Able to design the research work and plan the execution.
Content Outline	• Use Gantt charts, timelines, and milestones for project planning and resource allocation. • Address ethical considerations, including obtaining informed consent. • Conduct data collection through surveys, interviews, and observations, ensuring ethical guidelines. •
Assignments / Activities towards Comprehensive Continuous Evaluation (CCE)	
• Module 1: Continuous assessment involves monitoring students' ability to identify research gaps, formulate clear research questions, and articulate measurable research objectives. • Module 2: Assess students' proficiency in conducting comprehensive literature searches, evaluating and synthesizing relevant literature, and developing a coherent theoretical framework for their research. • Module 3: Evaluate students' application of critical thinking in selecting appropriate research designs, developing methodologies for data collection, and structuring a research proposal effectively. • Module 4: Assess students' competence in using planning tools like Gantt charts for project management, addressing ethical considerations in data collection, and applying qualitative and quantitative analysis methods to interpret research findings.	

