## ENSC-314: DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT (THEORY)

## PRE-REQUISITES: ENSC-205

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- To identify potential areas of natural hazards, learn prevention strategies and disaster management.
- Describe common earth materials and their relationship to natural hazards
- Explain the causes and effects of Natural Hazards
- Use the above knowledge to discuss Natural Hazards and humans' activities

# CONTENTS

Natural hazards and processes, disaster prediction, and risk assessment, Early warning, human response to hazards, avoiding and adjusting to hazards, population increase, land-use change, and natural hazards.

## Unit-1: Disaster Management

- 1.1. Fundamentals of Disaster Management
- 1.2. Prevention and Mitigation
- 1.3. Preparation, Response, and Recovery
- 1.4. Disaster management cycle
- 1.5. Tools to assist Disaster management
- 1.6. Pak. Disaster Management Authority

## Unit-2: Earthquake

- 2.1. Introduction to an earthquake
- 2.2. Faults and tectonic plates
- 2.3. Earthquake waves
- 2.4. Measurement of seismic waves
- 2.5. Earthquakes and humans
- 2.6. Earthquake prediction

#### Unit-3: River system and flooding

- 1.1. River Processes and flooding
- 1.2. Development of flooding
- 1.3. The nature and extent of flood hazards
- 1.4. The response to flood hazards
- 1.5. Floods causes and mitigation measure

#### Unit-4: Landslide

- 4.1. Introduction to landslides
- 4.2. Types of landslides
- 4.3. Human use and landslides
- 4.4. Minimizing the landslide hazard
- 4.5. Perception of the landslide hazard

#### Unit-5: Volcanism

- 5.1. Introduction to volcanic hazards
- 5.2. Volcanism and volcanoes
- 5.3. Volcanic hazards
- 5.4. Prediction of volcanic activity
- 5.5. Adjustment to and perception of the volcanic hazard

#### Unit-6: Atmospheric Hazards

- 1.1. Temperature Extremes
- 1.2. Severe Precipitation, Hailstorms, and Wind storms

- 1.3. Tornadoes and Hurricanes
- 1.4. Cyclones and Lightening

# **TEACHING – LEARNING STRATEGIES**

- Lecture-based examination
- Presentation/seminars
- Class discussion
- Quizzes

# ASSIGNMENTS - TYPE AND NUMBER WITH CALENDAR

It is a continuous assessment. The weightage of Assignments will be 25% before and after midterm assessment. It includes:

- classroom participation,
- attendance, assignments, and presentation,
- homework
- attitude and behavior,
- hands-on-activities,
- short tests, quizzes etc.

## ASSESSMENT AND EXAMINATIONS:

Sr. No.	Elements	Weightage	Details
1.	Mid Term Assessment	35%	It takes place at the mid-point of the semester
2.	Formative Assessment	25%	It is a continuous assessment. It includes classroom participation, attendance, assignments, and presentation, homework, attitude and behavior, hands-on activities, short tests, quizzes, etc.
3.	Final Assessment	40%	It takes place at the end of the semester. It is mostly in the form of a test, but owing to the nature of the course the teacher may assess their students based on a term paper, research proposal development, fieldwork, and report writing, etc.

## **RECOMMENDED TEXT BOOKS / SUGGESTED READINGS**

- 1. Reichard, J. (2021). Environmental Geology, (4th ed.), McGraw-Hill
- 2. Montgomery, C. (2020) Environmental Geology, 11th Edition, McGraw-Hill
- 3. Plummer, C., Carlson, D., & Hammersley, L. (2019). Physical Geology, 16th Edition, McGraw-Hill
- 4. Keller, E. A., & DeVecchio, D. E. (2016). *Natural hazards: earth's processes as hazards, disasters, and catastrophes*. Routledge.
- 5. Montz, B. E., Tobin, G. A., & Hagelman, R. R. (2017). *Natural hazards: explanation and integration*. Guilford Publications.
- Davis, G. H., Reynolds, S. J., & Kluth, C. F. (2011). *Structural geology of rocks and regions*. John Wiley & Sons.
  Further Reading: As suggested by the Instructor.