School of Chemistry Faculty of Sciences University of the Punjab, Lahore Course Outline Semester-VII



Programme	BS (Chemistry)	Course Code	Chem- 400	Credit Hours	3
Course Title	Fieldwork				

Course Introduction

This course provides BS Chemistry students a hands-on experience in sample collection, preparation, and its analysis through fieldwork. Students will engage them in real-world applications by visiting various sectors such as industries, laboratories, and workshops. The course emphasizes practical skills in sample collection, pretreatment methodologies, instrumentation, and method validation. It culminates in the preparation of a comprehensive report based on the fieldwork performed.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students will have learnt how to:

- 1. Conduct a comprehensive literature review related to sample collection and analysis.
- 2. Select appropriate sites and plan fieldwork activities effectively.
- 3. Collect and prepare various types of samples following standard protocols.
- 4. Utilize advanced instrumentation and methodologies for sample analysis.
- 5. Validate analytical methods and ensure the accuracy and reliability of results.
- 6. Compile and present their findings in a well-structured scientific report.

	Course Content	Assignments/Readings
Week 1	 Literature Review, Site Selection, and Planning Review of relevant literature on sample collection and preparation Selection of appropriate field sites Planning and proposing fieldwork activities 	
Week 2	Continues	
Week 3	Continues	
Week 4	Continues	
Week 5	Sample Collection and Preparation / Synthesis • Techniques for collecting various types of samples (medicinal plants, food, environmental etc.)	

	Methods of sample preservation and transportation					
	Initial sample preparation techniques (drying, grinding, homogenization etc.)					
Week 6	Continues					
Week 7	Continues					
Week 8	Continues					
Week 9	 Learning Relevant Methodologies for Analysis Sample pretreatment methodologies (extraction, filtration, digestion etc.) Method validation (accuracy, precision, sensitivity, specificity etc.) Hands-on training in advanced laboratories and workshops 					
Week 10	Continues					
Week 11	Continues					
Week 12	Continues					
Week 13	 Writing Up a Report on the Performed Work Structuring and writing a scientific report Presentation on the performed fieldwork Peer review and evaluation of reports 					
Week 14	Continues					
Week 15	Continues					
Week 16	Continues					
	Assessment					
Evaluation of the submitted report/working paper by supervisor/supervisory committee						