

Syllabus for PhD (Food Science/ Food Technology) Part-1
G03 Special Paper- Food Science and Nutrition



Unit-1: Nutritional aspects of food

Carbohydrates, Proteins and Lipids- Definition,, nomenclature, chemistry, metabolism, bioavailability, sources, physiological functions, daily requirement and deficiency manifestations and its remedy.

Vitamins and minerals- Structure, nomenclature, functions, metabolism, sources, daily requirements, deficiency manifestations, pathophysiology and remedy.

Unit-2: Toxic components in food

Definition of toxicity, different types of toxicity, factors affecting toxicity.

Classification of toxicants- Natural, Biological, Chemical and Derived.

Antinutritional factors from foods- Phytates, lectins, protease inhibitors, saponins, cyanogenic glucosides, antivitamins- their sources, chemistry, mode of action and methods of elimination.

Unit-3: Therapeutic nutrition for degenerative diseases

Diabetes: Definition, pre-disposing factors, metabolism, manifestations, clinical types, complications, treatment, diet therapy, mechanism of action.

Cardiovascular diseases: Types, description, aetiology, metabolism, principles of treatment, diet therapy and its mode of action.

Cancer: Definition, types, pre-disposing factors, manifestations, treatment, diet therapy and its mode of action.

Unit-4: Legumes as nutraceuticals:

Different types of legumes, nutritional and antinutritional factors, their role in the alleviation of degenerative disorders, mechanism of their antioxidant activity, antidiabetic activity, antihyperlipidemic and anti-cancer activity, scope of using legumes as potential prebiotics, health benefits of prebiotics and probiotics.

Unit-5: Instrumentation techniques and clinical biochemistry:

Chromatography- Principles, operation and applications of paper, thin-layer, ion-exchange, affinity, and gas chromatography; High performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC).

Centrifugation- Principles, instrumentation and applications of preparative and ultracentrifuge.

Spectrophotometry- Principles, instrumentation and applications of atomic absorption spectrophotometry (AAS) and atomic emission spectrophotometry (AES).

Methods- Determination of blood and urine levels of protein, Vitamin A, B, C, D, E, iron, ferritin, phosphorus, calcium, zinc in normal and diseased conditions.

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