

FACULTY OF LIFE SCIENCES

SYLLABUS

of

Environmental Studies (COMPULSORY PAPER)

for

**B.Sc. (Medical) / B.Sc. (Non Medical) / B.Sc. (Computer Science) / B.Com. /
BBA/ B.Sc. (Home Science) / BCA/B.Sc(IT)/ B.Sc. (BT)/ B.Com (Hons.)/ BSc
Economics/BSc (hons.) Physics/ BSc (hons.) Maths**

(Semester III)

(Under Continuous Evaluation System)

(12+3 System of Education)

Session: 2023-24



The Heritage Institution

KANYA MAHA VIDYALAYA

JALANDHAR

(Autonomous)

Kanya Maha Vidyalaya
Scheme and curriculum of Examinations of three year degree
program
Environmental Studies (COMPULSORY PAPER)
Semester-III (session 2023-24)

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Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	Marks				Examination time (in Hours)
			Total	Theory	Field work	CA	
AECE-3221	Environmental studies (compulsory)	AECC	100	60	20	20	3

***AECC- Ability enhancement compulsory course**

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Semester- III

COURSE OUTCOMES:

AECE-3221- Environmental Studies

- **CO1) Understand the concept and need of environmental education.**
- **CO2) Understand the role of an individual in conservation of natural resources.**
- **CO3) Learn about role of major Eco system and their conservation.**
- **CO4) Develop desirable attitude,value and respect for protection of Biodiversity.**
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- **CO8) Knowledge about the applied value of environmental studies.**

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For
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(Semester IV)

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BA/BA.JMC/ B.sc FD/BA honrs.English Semester-IV							
Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	Marks				Examination time (in Hours)
			Total	Ext.		CA	
				Theory	Field work		
AECE- 4221	Environmental studies	AECC	100	60	20	20	3

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**B.Voc (Animation)/B.Voc (TDAT)/B.Voc. (NEH)/B.Voc beauty & wellness
B.Voc (Artificial intelligence and data science),B.Voc(Hospitality and tourism)**

(Semester IV)

(Under Credit Based Continuous Evaluation Grading System)

Session: 2023-24



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Scheme of Studies and Examination Semester- IV (Session 2023-24) Environmental Studies (COMPULSORY PAPER)

B.Voc (RM, MSP, Animation, TDAT, NEH, Beauty & Wellness,Artificial intelligence and data science,hospitality and tourism) (SEMESTER-IV)									
Course Code	Course Title	Course Type	Hours/ week	Credits L-T-P	Marks				Examination time (in Hours)
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Semester-III
(session 2023-24)
Environmental studies (COMPULSORY PAPER)
Course Code: AECE-3221
(Theory)**

Time: 3Hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Theory: 60

Project Report: 20

CA: 20

Instructions for the Paper Setter:

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Unit 5

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Definition

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