

**Learning Outcomes:**

The educational objectives of the course are to educate students to attain the following:

- Understand the Bioinformatics and its area of applications
- Become familiar with Biological Databases and database mining tools
- Tools and techniques for Sequence analysis of Biological Data
- Develop PERL programming skills for Bioinformatics

**SYLLABUS**

Unit No.	Topics	Lectures (Hours)
<b>1</b>	<b>INTRODUCTION</b> Objectives of Bioinformatics, Overview of Bioinformatics applications, Scope of Bioinformatics and Careers in Bioinformatics.	<b>2</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>MOLECULAR BIOLOGY AND FLOW OF INFORMATION</b> Central dogma of molecular biology, Basics of nucleic acids, DNA, RNA, genes, genome, genomics, gene expression, gene regulation, protein, proteome and proteomics. DNA sequencing and Polymeric chain reaction, Cloning methodology.	<b>8</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>PROTEINS</b> Introduction, amino acids, protein structures: primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary, protein folding, Protein functions.	<b>4</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>BIOLOGICAL DATABASES</b> Biological database organization: Database content and management, Growth of public database, data retrieval, Tools and database of National Center of Biotechnology Information (NCBI).	<b>7</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>SEQUENCE ALIGNMENT</b> Evolutionary Basis, Sequence Homology versus Sequence Similarity, Sequence Similarity versus Sequence Identity, Methods, Scoring Matrices, Statistical Significance of Sequence Alignment, Tools of Sequence alignment: BLAST and FASTA, Multiple sequence alignment(MSA).	<b>8</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>GENOMICS AND PROTEOMICS</b> Approach from the Genome to proteome, Genomics versus proteomics, Overview of general functional genomics, Steps involve in proteome analysis.	<b>5</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>PERL FOR BIOINFORMATICS</b> Perl's benefits, Installing and running Perl on computer: Unix & Linux, Macintosh, Windows, programming techniques, Variables and Data types, Basic operators, Arrays and hashes, Control structures, Subroutines, Patterns and regular expressions, Working with data files.	<b>10</b>

**Term Work and Practical shall be based on the above syllabus.**

**Text Books:**

1. Bioinformatics: Concepts, Skills and Applications  
By: S.C. Rastogi, Namita Mendiratta, Parag Rastogi  
Pub: CBS publication.
2. Beginning Perl for Bioinformatics  
By: James Tisdall  
Pub: O'Reilly publications

**Reference Books:**

1. Bioinformatics Basics Applications in Biological Science and Medicine  
By: Rashidi, Hooman and Lukas K.Buehler  
Pub: CRC Press
2. Bioinformatics Sequence and Genome Analysis  
By: Mount David  
Pub: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press
3. Bioinformatics, Biocomputing and Perl  
By: Michael Moorhouse and Paul Berry  
Pub: John Wiley & Sons publications
4. Perl programming for Bioinformatics and Biologists  
By: D. Curtis Jamison  
Pub: John Wiley & Sons, Inc. publications