

FST-202, Food Laws and Regulations 3 (3-0)

Educational Objectives: Understanding general food law, feed, food-producing animal or substances intended to be incorporated into food or feed through different stages of production, processing, and distribution in Pakistan and other countries.

Course objectives:

1. Understanding the importance of food regulations in Pakistan and globally.
2. Familiarize with global food regulatory bodies
3. Acquiring the basic knowledge of food law in Pakistan
4. Use of food laws in Pakistan
5. Application of food laws in food business globally

Theory:

- Consumer laws of Pakistan.
- Food laws of Pakistan. Pure Food Rules - 2011: definitions, significant features, enforcement, amendments.
- Food Safety Authorities at National and provincial level: powers, functions, composition. Food inspector and public analyst: duties, powers.
- Food adulteration: adulterants, methods of detection, health hazards.
- Food inspection.
- Food labeling: labeling requirements, perspectives on nutrition labeling, health claims.
- Food importation and exportation.
- Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority: functions and authorities, standards.
- Halal food laws and regulations. International food laws: introduction.
- The World Trade Organization (WTO) - the agreement on the application of sanitary and phytosanitary measures. GATT.
- Codex Alimentarius: General, procedural manual, standards, codes, legal force.
- Major food regulatory bodies (FDA and EFSA).
- Food terrorism. International standards for import and export of food items.
- Consumer oriented standards and rights.

Recommended Books:

1. Punjab Food Authority Act. <http://punjabfoodauthority.gov.pk/>
2. Government of the Punjab. 2011. The Punjab Pure Food Rules – 2011. The Punjab Weekly Gazette. Government of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan.
3. Gabriela Steier, Kiran K. Patel, 1st edition, 2016. International food Law and policy.
4. PSQCA (Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority). Standards for different food items. PSQCA, Karachi, Pakistan.
1. Academic Press, USA.