Functional foods and nutraceuticals

Course No.	Title of Course	Credit Hours
HND-312	Functional foods and nutraceuticals	3(3-0)

Learning Outcomes:

- To find out sources of functional foods & nutraceuticals and their impact on nutrition and health
- To familiarize with the standards and regulations used globally regarding regulatory issues and usage of functional foods
- To assess international trade and marketability of functional foods

Theory:

Functional foods and nutraceuticals: past, present, future and health claims; functional foods and their impact on nutrition and health obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, hypertension and cancer; Functional ingredients and bioactive molecules: Isoflavones, Iycopene, polyphenols, dietary fiber, omega-3 & -6 fatty acids, conjugated linoleic acid, antioxidants, prebiotic and probiotic; Functional foods from different food groups: cereals, dairy, meat, fruits and vegetables; Regulatory systems governing the production and distribution of functional food -national and international; Standard and regulations of various agencies: FDA, EC, FAO/WHO, Health Canada; Guidelines for the assessment of functional foods; Marketing and regulatory issues; Conventional and emerging food processing technologies for functional food production; Toxicological and safety aspects of functional foods; Asian functional foods; Functional foods in international market and growth in Pakistan.

Suggested Readings:

- FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations). 2007.
 Report on Functional Foods. Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome, Italy.
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- 3. Shi, J., G. Mazza and M.L. Maguer. 2002. Functional Foods: Biochemical and Processing Aspects, Vol. 2. CRC Press, Traylor & Francis Group, Boca Raton, New York, USA.
- 4. Wildman, R.E.C. 2006. Handbook of Nutraceuticals and Functional Foods, 2nd ed. CRC Press, Traylor & Francis Group, Boca Raton, New York, USA.

