



# GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

**Program Name: Engineering**

**Level: PG**

**Branch: Plastic Engineering**

**Course/Subject Code: ME01084031**

**Course/Subject Name: Plastic Additives, Blends & Alloys**

w.e.f. Academic Year:	2024-25
Semester:	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester
Category of the Course:	PEC

## Course Outcome:

After Completion of the Course Student will able to:

No	Course Outcomes
01	Classify and explain the characteristics of various additives for Plastics.
02	Explain construction and working of compounding equipment.
03	Describe the methods & steps of polymer blend preparation and its properties & applications
04	Explain the characterization techniques for alloys/blends.

## Teaching and Examination Scheme:

Teaching Scheme (in Hours)			Total Credits L+T+(PR/2)	Assessment Pattern and Marks				Total Marks
L	T	PR	C	Theory		Tutorial/ Practical		
				ESE (E)	PA/ CA (M)	PA/CA(I)	ESE (V)	
3	0	2	4	70	30	20	30	150

## Course Content:

Unit No.	Content	No.of Hours	%of Weightage
1.	Introduction to Additives: Introduction - Technological Requirements - Classification - Selection Criteria - General effect on Properties - Evaluation and functions of additives.	3	5
2.	Additives: Antioxidants - Stabilizers (Heat & UV) - Plasticizers - Fillers and reinforcements - Impact Modifiers - Lubricants - Slip and Anti-block	10	25



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	agents - Processing aids - Blowing agents - Flame Retardants - Anti-static additives - Nucleating agents - Colorants		
3.	Compounding of Plastics : Construction and working of High speed mixer - Two roll mill - Banbury Mixer - Ribbon blender - Twin Screw extruder	7	15
4.	Polymer blends & alloys – Definitions and nomenclature – reasons for making polymer blend – how to select blend components – Methods of blending-how to select blend components, steps in blending, Polymer-polymer miscibility, Compatibilizers, Compatibilization, Methods of Compatibilization.	10	25
5.	Properties and applications of commercial polymer alloys and blends: PVC/ABS, PVC/SAN, PVC/NBR, PC/PET, PC/PBT, PC/ABS; PPO/HIPS	7	15
6.	Characterization of Blends: Differential scanning Calorimetry (DSC), TGA, FTIR, Scanning electron micrographs (SEM) , TEM	8	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>45</b>	<b>100</b>

## Suggested Specification Table with Marks (Theory):

Distribution of Theory Marks					
R Level	U Level	A Level	N Level	E Level	C Level
15	15	20	10	5	5

Where R: Remember; U: Understanding; A: Application, N: Analyze and E: Evaluate C: Create (as per Revised Bloom's Taxonomy)



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## **References/Suggested Learning Resources:**

### **Books:**

1. Plastics Materials: J. A. Brydson
2. The Additives for Plastics Handbook : John Murphy
3. Mixing and compounding of polymers Theory and Practice: Manas-Zloczower, Ica
4. Polymer Alloys and Blends: L.A. Utracki
5. Polymer Blends and Alloys by M.J Folkes
6. Polymer Blends and Alloys by R.P Singh and C.K Das

### **(b) Open source software and website:**

- 1) <https://nptel.ac.in/>
- 2) <https://pslc.ws/>

**Suggested Course Practical List: : As per the above syllabus topics**