

**P.B.SIDDHARTHA COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY  
M.Sc – CHEMISTRY (ORGANIC CHEMISTRY)  
III SEMESTER**

**Paper Code & Title: 22 OECH 301 :POLYMER CHEMISTRY**

**No. of hours per week: 03  
Total marks: 100**

**Total credits: 03  
(Internal: 30 M & External: 70M)**

**Unit-I**

Introduction, Classification of polymers, Polymerization, chain polymerization, step polymerization, Co polymerization, Free radical chain polymerization, cationic polymerization, anionic polymerization, Polymerization Techniques, Graft and Block Copolymers.

**Unit-II**

Polymer Synthesis, Isolation and Purification of polymers, Polymer Fractionation, Molecular weight determination, Molecular weight determination curve, Processing Techniques.

**Unit-III**

Polymer Reactions—Introduction, Hydrolysis, Acidolysis, Aminolysis, Hydrogenation, Addition and Substitution Reactions, Cyclisation reactions, Cross-linking Reactions.

**Unit-IV**

Polymer Degradation – Definition, Types of Degradation, Thermal Degradation, Mechanical Degradation, Degradation by Ultrasonic Waves, Photodegradation, Degradation by High-Energy Radiation, Oxidative Degradation, Hydrolytic Degradation.

**Unit-V**

Plastics, Fibres, Elastomers-Polyethylene, Polystyrene, PolyEsters, PolyAcrylonitrile Polyurethanes, Polyvinyl Chloride, Polyisoprenes. Resins—Phenol Formaldehyde Resin, Urea Formaldehyde and Melamine—Formaldehyde Resins, Epoxy Polymers, Silicon Polymers.

**Reference Books:**

1. Textbook of Polymer Science by Fred, W. Billmeyer,
2. An Introduction to Polymer Chemistry by Moore.
3. Polymer Chemistry—An Introduction by M.P. Stevens.
4. Polymer Science –VR Gowariker, NV Viswanathan, Jayadev Sreedhar.