

# School of Biological and Life sciences

Department of Biological and Life Sciences

Mid Term Examination

Exam Date: 03 Oct 2023

Time : 90 Minutes

Marks : 50

## Sem V - C2UA503T - Evolutionary Biology

*Your answer should be specific to the question asked*

*Draw neat labeled diagrams wherever necessary*

- 1) Discuss the three germ layers formed during gastrulation. K2 (2)
- 2) Explain how did Darwin's theory of natural selection revolutionize our understanding of species diversity? K1 (3)
- 3) Discuss how molecular evidence, such as DNA sequences, support the theory of evolution? K2 (4)
- 4) Discuss how does morphology and comparative anatomy (tectology) provide evidence for organic evolution? K2 (6)
- 5) Analyze the role of homeotic genes in development. K3 (6)
- 6) Assess the Hardy-Weinberg law of equilibrium. What are the assumptions made by this principle, and what conditions can disrupt this equilibrium within a population? K3 (9)
- 7) Define speciation and explain the various modes of speciation, including phyletic, quantum, and gradual speciation. K4 (8)
- 8) Elaborate on the key stages of embryogenesis, highlighting the major events that occur during each stage and how they contribute to the formation of a functional embryo. K4 (12)

**OR**

How does fertilization occur, and what are the key events that take place during this process? K4 (12)