

**MADRAS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
College with Potential for Excellence  
Affiliated to University of Madras  
East Tambaram, Chennai - 600 059**



## **SCRUB SOCIETY**

### **Course Structure Proposed for 1 Credit Under Part V- Extension Activities**

*(For the UG students joining from the academic year 2024- 2025 Onwards)*

The student must attend 120 hours of program/ events/activities organized by SCRUB SOCIETY, in the I & II year of his/ her UG programme to obtain the one credit for the Part – V Extension Activities.

The student in the leadership role (optional) must attend 30 hours in the III year UG to obtain leadership certificate for Part – V Extension Activities.

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### **About Scrub Society :**

Madras Christian College is home to a diverse array of trees, plants, and wildlife, situated on over 300 acres of scrub jungle. A small group of like-minded students called themselves 'Green Freaks,' initially joined together to protect this forest cover of the campus by igniting and nurturing awareness about the importance of the conservation of nature. They eventually formed a 20-member society called the 'Scrub Society,' dedicated to preserving the campus's forest cover. The society fostered cooperation among staff, students, campus residents, and alumni to maintain the greenery of the college campus.

Initially, the Scrub Society relied on the commitment of environmentally-conscious members. It later became part of the Extension Activities program, where students could earn 'one credit' by actively participating in the programmes conducted by the Society. Now, the college would like to make the activities of the Scrub Society more structured to address environmental issues on campus more effectively. It will provide an avenue for like-minded students as individuals or in teams to discuss, share, and interact among themselves and mentors of the Scrub Society. Students will also be provided with an opportunity to brainstorm sustainable ideas, incorporate input from stakeholders, develop appropriate action plans and actively participate

### **Course Coordinators:**

Scrub Society President

**Student intake:** Maximum 250 students every academic year

### **Course Framework**

<b>Credits</b>	1	
<b>Hours</b>	Mandatory for credit– 120 hours Mandatory for leadership certificate – 30 hours	
<b>Category</b>	Part V	Extension Activities
<b>Years</b>	I & II year UG III year UG – Leadership (optional)	
<b>Year of Implementation</b>	2024 – 2025 onwards	
<b>Course Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>To provide students with awareness, training and hands on experience in order to make them environmentally conscious and adopt sustainable practices both within and outside campus.</li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To develop in students problem-solving skills related to key environmental issues, such as climate change, pollution, and biodiversity loss.</li><li>• To help students undertake research projects to study campus environmental issues and propose practical solutions based on their findings.</li><li>• To help students enhance their personal, interpersonal and leadership skills.</li></ul>	
<b>Course Outcome</b>	On successful completion of the course, the student will achieve PO 8 of the UG programme outcomes	
<b>Year</b>	<b>Program/ Events/Activities/ Modules</b>	<b>Duration</b>
I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Orientation Camp</li><li>• Know the campus- Green walks</li><li>• Motivational Sessions by environmentalists</li><li>• Visit to nearby disturbed and undisturbed natural habitats</li><li>• Awareness programs on funding opportunities for nature restoration</li><li>• Awareness programs about E-NGOs</li><li>• Commemoration of important days related to the environment</li></ul>	60 hours
II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Leadership camp</li><li>• Exploring the campus environment</li><li>• Problem Identification, Ideation, and finding solution</li><li>• Sustainability projects- eg. nursery management</li><li>• Plantation drives</li><li>• Educational outreach programme- nature walk for other schools/ colleges, awareness through various activities/ competitions</li></ul>	60 hours
III*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continuation and maintenance of the projects implemented</li><li>• Overall management of the programs</li></ul>	30 hours*

\*optional and leadership certificates will be given on completion of the III year's activities

This framework ensures a balanced distribution of topics, providing comprehensive coverage and practical engagement over 150 hours (mandatory 120 hrs & optional 30 hrs).

Upon completion of 120 hours within the stipulated period, the student will be awarded one credit and grade. It is mandatory to fulfil the required number of hours.