MICRO 60 Course Outline as of Fall 2020

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: MICRO 60 Title: FUNDMTL MICROBIOLOGY

Full Title: Fundamentals of Microbiology

Last Reviewed: 5/8/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	4.00	Lab Scheduled	3.00	6	Lab Scheduled	52.50
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	6.00		Contact Total	105.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 210.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

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Course completion of BIO 10 or higher (V7); AND

Completion of CHEM 60, CHEM 3A (OR CHEM 1A), or higher (V6)

Recommended Preparation:

Course Completion of ENGL 1A

Limits on Enrollment:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive:

C Natural Sciences Fall 1981

CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

B2 Life Science Fall 1981

B3 Laboratory Activity

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Integrate basic principles of microbial cell structure and processes as they apply to medical microbiology.
- 2. Explain the impact of microbiology on medical, public health and environmental concerns.
- 3. Perform, and explain the theory behind, basic laboratory techniques used for routine culture and identification of bacteria.

Objectives:

In order to achieve these learning outcomes, during the course the students will:

- 1. Define microorganism and categorize microbes by domain and kingdom.
- 2. Describe the history of the discovery of the microbial world.
- 3. Relate microbial causality of disease to Koch's Postulates.
- 4. Describe the basic chemical activities essential to life.
- 5. Describe the structure of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells.
- 6. Contrast genetic mutation, recombination, conjugation, transformation, and transduction.
- 7. Describe viruses and their relationships to cells and vaccines.
- 8. Compare various mechanisms of pathogenicity.
- 9. Describe the function of the immune system and its relation to disease.
- 10. Relate environmental influences on host resistance to public health measures.
- 11. Perform basic microbiological laboratory techniques.

Topics and Scope:

- I. History of Microbiology
 - A. Discovery, microscopy, staining
 - B. Koch's Postulates and causality
 - C. Scientific method as it applies to microbiology

II. Unity of Life

- A. Cells and chemistry
- B. Structure and function of nucleic acids
- C. Structure and function of proteins
- D. Energy metabolism
- E. Prokaryotes and eukaryotes
- F. Antibiotics and selective toxicity

III. Taxonomy and Identification

- A. DNA based methodologies
- B. Epidemiology
- C. Select normal flora and pathogens

IV. Microbial Genetics

- A. Mutation and recombination
 - 1. Plasmids, conjugation, transduction, transformation
 - 2. Biotechnology
- B. Antibiotic paradox

V. Viruses

- A. Discovery and definitions
- B. Interactions with host cell
- C. Anti-viral vaccination and chemotherapy
- D. Retroviruses, HIV disease, cancer

VI. Host's Role in Disease

- A. Symbiosis
- B. Non-specific resistance
- C. The immune system and immunization
- D. Environmental influences on host resistance

VII. Lab exercises

- A. Laboratory safety and sanitation
- B. Laboratory techniques
 - 1. Aseptic techniques
 - 2. Bacterial culture (liquid and solid medium)
 - 3. Microscopy and staining techniques
 - 4. Preparation and sterilization of media
 - 5. Analyses of bacteria in water samples and on the human skin
 - 6. Antibiotic sensitivity
 - 7. Metabolic tests and bacterial identification
 - 8. ELISA (enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay)
 - 9. Identification of unknown bacteria

Assignment:

Lecture Related Assignments:

- 1. Reading assignments from text, averaging one chapter per week; additional reading assignments averaging 5-10 pages per week
- 2. Research paper
- 3. Examinations: 3 lecture exams and a final exam (including multiple choice, completion, objective and essay questions)
- 4. Quizzes (0-15)
- 5. Concept map assignment

Lab Related Assignments:

1. Lab practical exams (2)

- 2. Laboratory experiments, data collection, demonstration of sterile and culture technique; lab skills may also be assessed by performance in the identification of an unknown bacteria
- 3. Laboratory report: involves description of process student undertakes to identify unknown bacteria

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Laboratory report, research paper

Writing 10 - 20%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Concept map

Problem solving 0 - 5%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Laboratory experiments, data collection, demonstration of sterile and culture technique

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 10%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes, lecture exams, lab practical exams, final exam

Exams 80 - 90%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category 0 - 0%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Microbiology: An Introduction. 12th ed. Tortora, Gerard and Funke, Berdell and Case, Christine.

Pearson. 2015

Microbiology: A Systems Approach. 4th ed. Cowan, Marjorie. McGraw-Hill. 2014

Instructor prepared lab manual