

Course Book

<p>Course Description</p>	<p>This is a general medical microbiology course intended for students of the department of Medical Laboratory Technics.</p> <p>The structure of the course is based on presenting the fundamentals of microbiology to include structures, morphology and classification of bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites. The students will be introduced to the pathogenesis of the various infectious agents. The course will also cover some topics related to community health, including the modes and sources of infection. Aspects like lab diagnosis and antimicrobial agents will also be included.</p>
<p>Course objectives</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understanding the composition of the microbial world, classification and their importance in our life. 2. Understanding the structure of the microbial groups; bacteria, fungi, viruses and protozoa, highlighting the differences among them. 3. Understanding microbial pathogenesis focusing on the role of different microbial virulence factors in disease initiation and progression. 4. Understanding important aspects on antimicrobial agents. 5. Understanding important aspects on different lab technics used in microbial diagnosis. 6. Realizing the importance of safety standards and the aseptic techniques in preventing and controlling diseases in microbiology labs.
<p>Student's obligation</p>	<p>The role of students and their obligations throughout the academic year are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Preparing for class (attendance, quizzes, reports and exams & other activity) 2. Willing to work hard to complete course activities. 3. Willing to bring their life experiences into the class to enrich discussions. 4. Demonstrate an ability to work in group settings and exchange ideas concerning course-related topics. Read, write, and speak about Microbiology with classmates and members of the community.
<p>Required Learning Materials</p>	

Evaluation	Task		Weight (Marks)	Due Week	Relevant Learning Outcome
	Paper Review				
	Assignments	Homework	5%		
		Class Activity	2%		
		Report	5%		
		Seminar	5%		
	Quiz		8%		
	Lab reports		10%		
	Midterm Exam		25		
	Final Exam		40		
Total		100			
Specific learning outcome:	<p>By the end of the course, the students are being able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Develop basic academic knowledge about the concepts and principles of Medical Microbiology. 2- Cover the importance of Microbiology and the history background of this subject and its importance in individual's life. 3- Understand basic knowledge about the role and mechanism used by different microorganisms in disease production 4- Learn basic knowledge on infection control procedures 5- Learn practically the technique of examining, using, how to collect the different type of specimens and how to prepare it for examinations and be familiar with the results and writing reports. 6- In addition, they will be greatly able to work in teams and their presentation skills will be markedly progressed. 				
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Course topics (Theory)	Week	Learning Outcome
Introduction to Microbiology Eukaryotic cell and Prokaryotic cells	1	Understanding of basic medical microbiology
Bacterial Cell Structure and classification	2	Understanding bacterial cell structure and classification
Viruses and prions, replication of viruses	3	Understanding virus structure, classification and replication
Fungal and protozoal structure and classification	4	Understanding Fungal and protozoal structure and classification
Bacterial Growth and factors that determine growth	5	Explaining bacterial growth cycle and the essential nutrients required for bacterial growth
Bacterial genetics	6	Describing the genetic material of bacteria and its clinical implication
Pathogenesis of bacterial diseases	7	Understanding the pathogenic role of bacteria and their virulence factors
Pathogenesis of viral diseases	8	Understanding the pathogenic role of viruses and their virulence factors
Pathogenesis of fungal diseases	9	Understanding the pathogenic role of fungi and their virulence factors
Antibacterial drugs	10	Susceptibility to antimicrobials and explain the mechanism of action and rational use of antimicrobials mechanisms of resistance
Antiviral and antifungal drugs	11	Susceptibility to antimicrobials and explain the mechanism of action and rational use of antimicrobials
Resistance to antibiotics	12	mechanisms of resistance to antimicrobial drugs
Practical Topics	Week	Learning Outcome
Safety Rules in Lab. Practices	1	The safety standard in the microbiology lab.
Basic requirements of a microbiology laboratory	2	Basic requirements and tools in the microbiology laboratory
Sterilization and Disinfection	3	Physical (Heat and filtration) sterilization
Sterilization and Disinfection	4	Chemical sterilization and disinfection
Bacterial culture media and methods for preparation	5	Type of culture media used in microbiology lab and their methods for preparation
Inoculation of culture media and incubation	6	Methods of Inoculation of culture media and Selection of suitable incubation condition for each specimen

Systems of identification of microorganisms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Smear preparation & Simple Staining and negative staining - Differential Stain / Gram stain - Differential stain- Acid fast stain - Special stain (Flagella, capsule and endospore stain and bacterial motility) - Culture character - Biochemical tests 		
	7	Perform smear preparation and simple staining on isolates and properly use compound light microscopes to visualize and describe microbial cell morphologies.
	8	Perform differential stains on isolates and properly use compound light microscopes to visualize and describe microbial cell morphologies.
	9	Perform differential stains on isolates and properly use compound light microscopes to visualize and describe microbial cell morphologies.
	10	Perform specific stains on isolates and properly use compound light microscopes to visualize and describe microbial cell morphologies.
	11	Identification of microorganisms based on colony morphology
	12	Identification of microorganisms based on biochemical reaction