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The New National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 Syllabus B. Sc. Microbiology

(Pursuant to inclusion as major subjects/ disciplines)

GENERAL COURSE OUTLINE

Course structure:

Syllabus for 1st and 2nd semester for one major/ minor (4+2) and one Introductory Multidisciplinary Course of 3 credit (1st to 3rd semester) at undergraduate level of Microbiology discipline

Semester	Course/ Paper Category	Credits	Course Code	Course Name	Hours/ Week	
					Lecture	Practical*
First	Major/ Minor	4 + 2	MIC-22-101-MJ/MN	Fundamentals of Microbiology	4	4
Second	Major/ Minor	4 +2	MIC-22-201-MJ/MN	Microbiological Techniques	4	4
First to Third	Introductory Multidisciplinary Course	3	MIC-22-301-IMC	Applied Microbiology	3	-

* For practical class contact hours are twice the theory course.

Course Description: First Semester

Course type: Major/ Minor Course code: MIC-22-101-MJ/MN Couse title: Fundamentals of Microbiology Course credits: 4 + 2

Course objectives:

- The course has been designed to give a basic understanding of the fundamental aspects of microbiology from historical development of the branch of microbiology
- > The students will be introduced to the microbial world, the structure and significance of bacteria, fungi, algae, protozoa and viruses
- This course contains two basic lab practices and calculation needed for preparation of various reagents and buffers
- > This course will enable students to understand working principles of different laboratory equipment's
- > The students will learn different sterilization methods, preparation of culture media and pure culture techniques

Credit-1: History and Scope of Microbiology

- 1.1. Historical development of Microbiology-Theory of spontaneous generation, Biogenesis and Abiogenesis
- 1.2. Contributions of Antony van Leeuwenhoek, Louis Pasteur, Robert Koch, Joseph Lister and Edward Jenner
- 1. 3. Contributions of Alexander Fleming, Martinus Beijerinck, Sergei Winogradsky and Elie Metchnikoff
- 1.4. Fields and scope of microbiology
- 1.5. Golden era of microbiology

Credit-2: Prokaryotes

- 2. 1. Ultra structure of prokaryotic cell: bacterial and archaeal cell wall and cell membrane
- 2. 2. Components external to cell wall capsule, slime, s-layer, pili, fimbriae, flagella; structure, motility, chemotaxis
- 2. 3. Cytoplasmic matrix Cytoskeleton, ribosome, inclusion granules: Composition and function.
- 2.4. Bacterial nuclear material and Extra Chromosomal material
- 2.5. Reproduction in bacteria

Credit-3: Eukaryotes

- 3.1. Ultra structure of eukaryotic cell: Types of cells; Structure and function of organelles: cell wall, cell membrane, flagella, cytoplasmic matrix, cytoskeleton and endoplasmic reticulum
- 3.2. Structure and function of organelles: Golgi complex, peroxisomes, lysosomes, vesicles, ribosomes, mitochondria, chloroplast and nucleus
- 3. 3. Structure, composition and reproduction of fungi.
- 3.4. Structure, composition and reproduction of Algae
- 3. 5. Structure, composition and reproduction of Protozoa

Credit-4: Viruses and Virus Related Structures

- 4.1. Introduction to Virology
- 4.2. General characteristics of viruses
- 4.3. Structure and composition of viruses
- 4.4. Replication of viruses (overview)
- 4.5. Sub viral particles: Satellite Viruses, Virusoids, Viroids, and Prions



Credit-5: Practical I

- 5.1. Biosafety levels in microbiology laboratory
- 5.2. Understandings of biochemical calculations: molarity, normality, percent solution and ppm
- 5.3. Preparation of buffers and pH measurements
- 5.4. Study the parts, working principle and uses of Compound Microscope, Autoclaves and Hot air oven
- 5.5. Study the parts, working principle and uses of laminar air flow and Incubator

Credit-6: Practical II

- 6.1. Sterilization techniques: physical and chemical
- 6.2. Culture media and their preparation
- 6.3. Perform culture techniques: Streaking method, pour plate and spread plate method:CFU Count
- 6.4. Isolation of bacteria from water sample
- 6.5. Staining techniques Simple and Gram staining

Learning outcome:

- Students will be familiarized with the history of development of science of microbiology.
- The students will develop the concept of the basic microbiology including the occurrence, cell structure and reproduction of various microbes.
- Students will be able to perform various biochemical calculation, sterilization techniques and purification of microbial cultures.
- Students will acquire knowledge about different microbiology laboratory equipment's and media preparations

Recommended books:

- 1. Brock Biology of Microorganisms by Madigan and Martinko, 14th edition, Pearson Education International.
- 2. Prescott's Microbiology by Joanne Willey, Linda Sherwood and Christopher J. Woolverton, 11th edition, McGraw Hill Publisher Companies, Inc
- 3. Wilson and Walker's Principles and Techniques of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology by Andreas Hofmann, 8th edition, Cambridge University Press.
- 4. Microbiology by Michael J. Pelczar JR, E.C. S. Chan, Noel R. Krieg, 5th edition, McGraw Hill Publisher Companies, Inc.
- 5. The Cell: A Molecular Approach by Geoffrey M. Cooper, Robert E. Hausman, 6th edition, Sinauer Associates Inc.
- 6. Microbiology: A Laboratory Manual by James Cappuccino and Chad T. Welsh 11th Global Edition, Pearson Benjamin Cummings Publishers.
- 7. Practical Microbiology by D K Maheshwari and R C Dubey, 3rd edition, S Chand & Company Publishers.
- 8. Laboratory Fundamentals of Microbiology by Jeffrey C. Pommerville 12th edition, Jones and Bartlet Publishers.

Course type: Major/Minor Course code: MIC-22-201-MJ/MN Couse title: Microbiological Techniques Course credits: 4 + 2

Course Objectives:

- This course is framed to acquaint students with different culture media and important techniques involved in the culturing, purification and preservation of microbes.
- Course will make students familiar with principles and procedures involved in sterilization, staining and microscopy.
- > This course shall deal with microscopic examination of bacteria and fungi as well as gram staining
- > This course is framed to familiarize students with isolation of yeast and mold from food samples
- > Students will also have hands on different biochemical tests, protease assay and antibiotic sensitivity assay

Credit-1 Culture media

- 1. 1. Culture media: Classification, composition, preparation and utility
- 1.2. Ingredients of media, natural and synthetic media, chemically defined media, complex media, selective, differential, indicator, enriched and enrichment media, anaerobic media (with examples)
- 1.3. Microbial nutrient requirements (micro and macro), factors affecting microbial growth
- 1.4. Classification of microorganisms based on nutritional requirements.
- 1.5. Bacterial growth curve and application

Credit-2: Sterilization and preservation techniques

- 2. 1. Sterilization: Principles and methods of physical sterilization (moist heat, dry heat, filtration, tyndallization, radiations); Pasteurization
- 2. 2. Principles and methods of chemical sterilization (alcohols, aldehydes, phenols, halogens and hypochlorites)
- 2.3. Preservation and maintenance methods of microbial cultures (slant culture, stab culture, soil culture, mineral oil overlaying, refrigeration, glycerol preservation, cryopreservation, lyophilization)
- 2.4. Different biosafety levels in a microbiology laboratory
- 2. 5. National and international Culture Collection Centers

Credit-3 Culture techniques

- 3. 1. Collection of samples, processing of samples, serial dilution
- 3. 2. Isolation methods: Spread plate method, streak plate method, pour plate method, swab culture
- 3.3. Enumeration methods of microorganisms: CFU, optical density, MacFarlands scale, Total viable count, Direct microscopic count
- 3.4. Observation of morphological characteristics of microbial colonies.
- 3. 5. Safety measures undertaken during culturing of microorganisms.

Credit-4: Microscopy and staining techniques

- 4.1. Microscope and their classification
- 4.2. Working principle, construction and operation of simple and compound microscopes.
- 4.3. Stains, staining and their mechanism
- 4.4. Staining methods: Introduction and principle Simple, Differential-Gram staining. acid fast staining, capsule staining, endospore and flagella staining.
- 4.5. Principle and working of electron microscope (elementary idea)



Credit-5: Practical I

- 5.1. Microscopic examination of bacteria.
- 5.2. Microscopic examination of fungi
- 5.3. Performing endospore staining of bacteria
- 5.4. Perform biochemical tests: catalase, oxidase and urease test
- 5.5. Isolation of yeast and mold from food samples

Credit-6: Practical II

- 6.1. Performing Capsule staining of bacteria
- 6.2. Performing Flagellar staining of bacteria
- 6.3. Motility by hanging drop method.
- 6.4. Antibiotic sensitivity assay
- 6.5. Qualitative assay of amylase

Learning outcomes:

- Students will be well equipped with the microbiological techniques including sterilization, culturing, microscopy, staining and microbial culture preservation techniques.
- At the end of the course students will own significant familiarity about biosafety and biosafety levels in microbiology laboratory
- Students will be able to perform isolation, morphological and biochemical characterization of bacteria and fungi
- Students can perform Antibiotic sensitivity assay and qualitative amylase assay

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- 4. A Textbook of Microbiology by Dubey, R.C. and Maheshwari, D.K. S, 4th edition, Chand & Company Ltd
- 5. Text book of Microbiology by Ananthanarayan and Paniker's, 12th edition, Reba Kanungo, Universities Press.
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Course Description: First to Third Semester

Course type: Introductory Multidisciplinary Course Course code: MIC-22-301IMC Course title: Applied Microbiology Course credits: 3

Credit-1: Credit-2: Introductory Microbiology

- 1. 1. Historical development and scope of Microbiology
- 1. 2. General characteristics and economic importance of Bacteria
- 1. 3. General characteristics and economic importance of Fungi
- 1.4. General characteristics and economic importance of Algae
- 1.5. General characteristics and economic importance Archaebacteria

Credit-2: Agricultural and Environmental Microbiology

- 2.1. Introduction of agricultural and environmental Microbiology
- 2.2. Biofertilizers and Bio pesticides: types and applications
- 2.3. Municipal solid waste management: role of microorganisms
- 2.4. Waste water treatment
- 2.5. Microbial remediation

Credit-3: Food and Dairy Microbiology

- 3.1. Food and dairy microbiology: factors influencing microbial growth in foods
- 3.2. Sources of food contamination. Microbial spoilage of food products (fruits, meat, cereals, milk and milk products).
- 3.3. Principles of food preservation. Methods of food preservation: high temperature, low temperature, canning, freezing, dehydration, chemical and bio-preservatives
- 3.4. Microorganisms as food: single cell protein and probiotics
- 3.5. Fermented dairy products: yoghurt, kefir, sauerkraut, cheese and their health benefits

Learning outcomes:

- > Students will understand basic microbiology and the role of microbes in agriculture sector and industries
- > Large scale production of microbes and microbial products will be learned by students
- > Students will be able to understand the use of microbes in food and dairy sectors

Recommended books:

- 1. Aneja K.R., Experiments in Microbiology, Plant pathology, Tissue culture and Mushroom cultivation, New age International, New Delhi.
- 2. Betty C. Hobbs, Food Microbiology, Arnold-Heinemann Publishing Private
- 3. Frazier and Wasthoff, Food Microbiology, Tata McGraw- Hill Publishing C
- 4. Pelczar M.J., Chan E.C.S. and Krieg N.R., Microbiology, McGraw Hill Book Company, New York.
- 5. Prescott Lansing M., Harley John P. and Klein Donald A., Microbiology, WCB McGraw- Hill, New York.
- 6. Lehninger Principles of Biochemistry by Nelson DL and Cox MM, 8th edition, W.H. Freeman and Company.

