# **Introduction to Microbiology (BIOL 2320)**

For Non-Science Majors

#### **CREDIT**

3 Semester Credit Hours (3 hours of lecture)

## **MODE OF INSTRUCTION**

Face to Face

Time: Tuesday and Thursday 2-3:30 pm

Location: PATC 226

## PREREQUISITE/CO-REQUISITE:

Must be enrolled in BIOL 2120 at the same time

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Study of cell types and structure also microbial growth, control, metabolism, and genetics. This course provides information about microbes and human interactions, microbial pathogens and human diseases/health.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to

- 1. Identify and describe groups of microbes including prokaryote microbes, eukaryote microbes, and viruses.
- 2. Explain differences between prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells.
- 3. Understand importance of microorganisms on agriculture, environment, and human health.
- 4. Demonstrate microbial metabolism and genetics.
- 5. Describe interaction between microbes and human, and understand the mechanisms of pathogenesis, diseases transmission, spread, and control.
- 6. Describe host defense and immunity.
- 7. Understand microbial growth, manipulation of microorganisms, and control.

#### **CORE OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Critical thinking skills and problem-solving skills to make decision in the laboratory.
- 2. Communication skills to effectively develop, interpret, and express the ideas and results of scientific investigations.
- 3. Quantitative skills to investigate and analysis data and use scientific tools in the laboratory to collect data.



#### INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

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contact me outside office hours by phone, email, or raising the "I Need

Help" flag in Starfish.

## **REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIALS**

**Open stax ISBN-10: 1938168143** 

https://openstax.org/details/books/microbiology

#### **COURSE POLICIES**

- No food, drinks, or use of tobacco products in class.
- Computers, telephones, headphones, and any other electronic devices must be turned off while in class or used only with permission of the instructor.
- Do not bring children to class.
- No late assignments will be accepted unless covered by a college excused absence.
- Exams. There will be four exams
- Attendance Policy. Students are expected to attend class.
- Online video assignments will be posted every week, they carry 10% of your final grade

## **DROP POLICY**

If you wish to drop a course, you are responsible for initiating and completing the drop process. If you stop coming to class and fail to drop the course, you will earn an "F" in the course.

## **COURSE CALENDAR**

Week:	2320 To Do:	Due Date
Week 1 Aug 21 <sup>st</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> Intro/Syllabus Chapter 1: An Invisible World	<ul> <li>Discussion: Introductions</li> <li>Discussion: Netiquette in Online Classes</li> <li>Video Quiz: History of Microbiology</li> <li>Get started on Individual Project</li> <li>Join a group for Group Project</li> </ul>	• 08.26.23
Week 2 Aug 28th—Sep 1st Chapter 2: How We See the Invisible World	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: What are Light and Electronic Microscopes</li> <li>Video Quiz: Types of Light Microscopy</li> <li>Work on Individual Project Due 10.14.23</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 09.02.23
Week 3 Sep 4 <sup>th</sup> (Holiday) Sep 5 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Chapter 3: The Cell	<ul> <li>Quiz 1</li> <li>Video Quiz: Prokaryotic vs Eukaryotic Cells</li> <li>Work on Individual Project Due 10.14.23</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 09.09.23
Week 4 Sep 11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> Chapter 4 Prokaryotic Diversity	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: Bacteria</li> <li>Discussion: Bioterrorism</li> <li>Work on Individual Project Due 10.14.23</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 09.16.23
Week 5 Sep 18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> Chapter 5 The Eukaryotes of Microbiology	<ul> <li>Exam 1</li> <li>5 Video Quizzes</li> <li>Work on Individual Project Due 10.14.23</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 09.23.23
Week 6 Sep 25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> Chapter 6 Acellular Pathogens	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: Viruses</li> <li>Video Quiz: Viral Replication</li> <li>Discussion: Vaccines</li> <li>Work on Individual Project Due 10.14.23</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 09.30.23
Week 7 Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> Chapter 7 & 8 Microbial Biochemistry and Metabolism	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: Metabolism and ATP</li> <li>Work on Individual Project Due 10.14.23</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 10.07.23
Week 8 Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>rd</sup> Chapter 9 Microbial Growth	<ul> <li>Exam II</li> <li>Video Quiz: Microbial Growth 1</li> <li>Video Quiz: Microbial Growth 2</li> <li>Discussion: Antibiotic Resistance</li> <li>Individual Project Due 10.14.23</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 10.14.23
Week 9 Oct 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> Chapter 10&11&12 Microbial Genetics	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: Structure of Nucleic Acids</li> <li>Video Quiz: DNA replication</li> <li>Video Quiz: From DNA to Protein</li> </ul>	• 10.17.22 • 10.18.22

	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: Molecular Biology</li> <li>Video Quiz: How CRISPR lets you edit DNA</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	
Week 10 Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup> Chapter 13 Control of Microbial Growth Chapter 14 Antimicrobial Drugs	<ul> <li>Quiz 2</li> <li>Video Quiz: Infection and Intoxication</li> <li>Discussion: Antimicrobial Products</li> <li>Pathogen Project: Gallery Walk</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 10.28.23
Week 11 Oct 30 <sup>st</sup> – Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup> Chapter 17 Innate Nonspecific Host Defenses	<ul> <li>Exam III</li> <li>Video Quiz: Immune System 1</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 11.04.23
Week 12 Nov 6 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> Chapter 18 Adaptive Specific Host Defense	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: Immune System 2</li> <li>Video Quiz: Immune System 3</li> <li>Work on Group Project Due 11.13.23</li> </ul>	• 11.11.23
Week 13 Nov 13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> Group Project Presentations	<ul><li>Group Project Due 11.13.23</li><li>Group Project Presentations</li></ul>	• 11.18.23
Week 14 Nov 20 <sup>st</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> (Holiday) Chapter 19 Diseases of the Immune System	<ul> <li>Sleep, rest, relax</li> <li>Enjoy time with family and friends</li> <li>Exercise</li> <li>Read a good book</li> <li>Do something nice for someone</li> </ul>	• 11.25.23
Week 15 Nov 27 <sup>th</sup> – Dec 1 <sup>st</sup> Chapter 19 Diseases of the Immune System	<ul> <li>Video Quiz: This is What Happens When You Have an Autoimmune Disease</li> <li>Video Quiz: Hypersensitivity Types in 4 Minutes</li> <li>Video Quiz: Hypersensitivity Type1 Allergic Reaction</li> </ul>	• 12.02.23
<u>Week 16</u> Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup>	Final Exam (Exam IV)	• 12.05.23

## **COURSE EVALUATION**

Final Grades will be calculated according to the following criteria:

1.	4 Units Exams	30%
2.	2 Quizzes	20%
3.	Video Quizzes	20%
4.	Projects (Individual and Group)	20%
5.	Discussions	10%

## **Grade Scale**

- A 90-100
- B 80-89
- C 70-79
- D 60-69
- F 0-59

## **TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS**

The latest technical requirements, including hardware, compatible browsers, operating systems, etc. can be online at <a href="https://lit.edu/online-learning/online-learning-minimum-computer-requirements">https://lit.edu/online-learning/online-learning-minimum-computer-requirements</a>. A functional broadband internet connection, such as DSL, cable, or WiFi is necessary to maximize the use of online technology and resources.

#### **DISABILITIES STATEMENT**

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are federal anti-discrimination statutes that provide comprehensive civil rights for persons with disabilities. LIT provides reasonable accommodations as defined in the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, to students with a diagnosed disability. The Special Populations Office is located in the Eagles' Nest Room 129 and helps foster a supportive and inclusive educational environment by maintaining partnerships with faculty and staff, as well as promoting awareness among all members of the Lamar Institute of Technology community. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Special Populations Coordinator at (409)-951-5708 or email <a href="mailto:specialpopulations@lit.edu">specialpopulations@lit.edu</a>. You may also visit the online resource at <a href="mailto:specialpopulations">Specialpopulations</a>— Populations - Lamar Institute of Technology (lit.edu).

#### STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT STATEMENT

It is the responsibility of all registered Lamar Institute of Technology students to access, read, understand and abide by all published policies, regulations, and procedures listed in the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook*. The *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* may be accessed at <a href="https://www.lit.edu">www.lit.edu</a>. Please note that the online version of the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* supersedes all other versions of the same document.

#### **STARFISH**

LIT utilizes an early alert system called Starfish. Throughout the semester, you may receive emails from Starfish regarding your course grades, attendance, or academic performance. Faculty members record student attendance, raise flags and kudos to express concern or give praise, and you can make an appointment with faculty and staff all through the Starfish home page. You can also login to Blackboard or MyLIT and click on the Starfish link to view academic alerts and detailed information. It is the responsibility of the student to pay attention to these emails and information in Starfish and consider taking the recommended actions. Starfish is used to help you be a successful student at LIT.