# **BIOL 345 FUNDAMENTALS OF MICROBIOLOGY Winter 2010**

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**Required Text:** Slonczewski and Foster, 2008. *Microbiology: An evolving science*. Norton Publishing Company, ISBN 978-0-393-97857-5. The text is available in hardcover new and used from bookstore, or online for \$60 or \$2/chapter at this link:

https://www.wwnorton.com/orders/intellipay/accessPurchase.asp?site=microbio\_ebook

Whether you use the hardcover text or e-book, online study aids are available to you. These include quizzes, study guides, animations, chapter summaries, and links to the websites referred to in each chapter. Access these via this link:

http://www.wwnorton.com/college/biology/mbio/welcome.asp

### **Objectives of the Course:**

Seven Central Themes will guide your successful study of Microbiology:

- 1. Microbiology in its historical perspective;
- 2. Microbes as cellular systems;
- 3. Microbes as energy transducers;
- 4. Microbes as agents of environmental and geochemical change;
- 5. Microbes as tools for the study of macromolecular processes;
- 6. Microbes as agents of infectious disease; and
- 7. Microbes as products of evolutionary change (This theme is intercalated throughout!)

#### **Evaluation of Coursework:**

Two lecture exams @ 150 pts each	300
Comprehensive final exam	<u>200</u>

Total Points: 500

The two midterm exams are scheduled outside of the usual lecture period to give you time to develop reasoned answers and essays. **Note the dates and times of the exams and work out potential conflicts now.** Make-up exams will be given only if you are excused from the exam BEFORE the scheduled date and time, or, in the event of illness, you have a note from a health professional <u>confirming</u> that you were unable to take the exam during the scheduled time. Make-up exam format will be at the discretion of the professor.

EXAM I	Monday, February 1st	5-7pm	HH 353
EXAM II	Monday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5-7pm	НН 353
FINAL	Monday, March 15 <sup>th</sup>	8:00-10:00am	НН 353

## MICROBIOLOGY "TENTATIVE" COURSE OUTLINE

## LECTURE DATE TOPICS

Week 1 Jan 05 T Jan 07 R	Historical Perspective Course Introduction: Why Study Microbes? Historical Perspectives on Microbiology
Week 2 Jan 12 T	Microbes as Cellular Systems  An Overview: Comparing Bacterial, Archaeal and Eukaryal Cells
Jan 14 R	The Microbial Cell: Organization and Structure
Week 3	
Jan 19 T	The Microbial Cell: Form and Function
Jan 21 R	Microbial Taxonomy and Molecular Phylogeny
Week 4	Microbes as Energy Transducers
Jan 26 T	An Overview: Metabolic Strategies Generating ATP ( <i>End of MT#1 Info</i> )
Jan 28 R	Heterotrophic Generation of ATP: Aerobic & Anaerobic Respiration
Week 5	
Feb 02 T	Heterotrophic Generation of ATP: Fermentation
Feb 04 R	Autotrophic Generation of ATP: Chemolithotrophy
Week 6	
Feb 09 T	Autotrophic Generation of ATP: Chemolithotrophy
Feb 11 R	Autotrophic Generation of ATP: Photoautotrophy
Week 7	
Feb 16 T	Microbial Modification of the Biosphere
Feb 18 R	Origins of Life (End of MT#2 Info)
Week 8	Microbial Growth & Molecular Processes
Feb 23 T	Affects of Environmental Factors
Feb 25 R	Bacterial Growth Parameters and Measurements
Week 9	Microbes as Agents of Infectious Disease
Mar 02 T	Regulation of Gene Expression
Mar 04 R	Normal Flora
Week 10	
Mar 09 T	Virulence and Pathogenicity
Mar 11 R	Microbial Death & Antibiotic Resistance

#### **READING ASSIGNMENTS FOR BIOLOGY 345**

Readings are from the required text: Slonczewski and Foster, 2008. Microbiology: An evolving science. Morton.

LECTURE TOPIC	READINGS
Overview and Historical Perspective	Chapter 1.1 to 1.6

### Microbes as Cellular Systems

The Microbial Cell
Chapter 2.1 (Review 2.2 to 2.7)
Chapter 3.1 to 3.7; Chapter 4.7
Microbial Taxonomy & Molecular Phylogeny
Microbial Diversity
Chapter 17.3 to 17.6
Optional (Review 18.1 & 19.1)

## **Microbes as Energy Transducers**

Metabolic Strategies
Overview
Chapter 13.1 to 13.3
Respiration & Fermentation
Chemolithotrophy
Chapter 14.1 to 14.5
Photoautotrophy
Biogeochemical Cycles
Chapter 22.1 & 22.2
Metabolism in Early Organisms
Chapter 17.1 & 17.2

## Microbial Growth & Molecular Processes

Environmental Affects on Growth

Microbial Growth

Plasmids & Pathogenicity Islands

Comparative Microbial Genomics

Microbial Genome Evolution

Regulation via Attenuation

Quorum Sensing

Chapter 5.1 to 5.9

Chapter 4.1 to 4.6

Chapter 7.4 to 7.6

Chapter 8.7

Chapter 9.1 to 9.7

Chapter 10.1 to 10.3

Chapter 10.8

## Microbes as Agents of Infectious Disease

Normal Flora Chapter 23.1 to 23.2 Virulence and Pathogenicity Chapter 25.1 to 25.8 Antibiotics & Antibiotic resistance Chapter 27.1 to 27.9