

CAMOSUN COLLEGE
Department of Biology
Biology 202: Introductory Microbiology 1
Course Information - Fall 2004

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Course Materials

Reference Text: Optional; Strongly Recommended

Prescott, L.M. 2005 *Microbiology*. 6th Edition McGraw-Hill

Laboratory Manual: Required

Biology Department, 2004-05 *Biology 202/203 Laboratory Manual*. Camosun College, Victoria BC

Laboratory Coat: Required

Disposable, water repellent lab coat for use in the microbiology lab only.

Lecture Outlines: Required

Purchase a 'Demand Publishing' Coupon in the Bookstore.

Course Evaluation

Lecture Component **70% of the course mark**

Quiz 1	5%	Quiz 2	5%
Date: September 30; all sections		Date: November 25; all sections	
Material Covered: TBA		Material Covered: TBA	

Midterm Exam 25%

Date: October 28; all sections

Material Covered: Lecture material from the beginning of week 1 through to the end of week 7

Final Exam 35%

Date: To be scheduled during the final exam period.

Material Covered: The final exam will be comprehensive, however emphasis will be placed on material presented after the midterm exam.

Laboratory Component **30% of the course mark**

Lab Exams & Quizzes	18%	Lab Exam 2	10%
Lab Exam 1	5%	Date: December 8; all sections	
Date: October 13; all sections		Material Covered: Labs 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10	
Material Covered: Labs 1, 2, 3 & 4			
Pre-Lab Quizzes	3%		
Date: Weekly			
Material Covered: Weekly Lab			

Lab Reports 12%

Lab 5: Selected portions of Parts I & II will be written as a report worth 5%.

Lab 8: Selected portions of Part II will be written as a report worth 3% .

Environmental Isolate Lab will be written as a report worth 4%

Grading System

The School of Arts and Science has adopted the following letter grade and percentage scale:

A ⁺ = 95 - 100%	B ⁺ = 80 - 84%	C ⁺ = 65 - 69%	D = 50 - 59%
A = 90 - 94%	B = 75 - 79%	C = 60 - 64%	F = 0 - 49%
A ⁻ = 85 - 89%	B ⁻ = 70 - 74%		

Exam Return Policy

Term lecture and lab exams will be returned and taken up with the class. The exams will then be collected by the instructor and retained for a period of one year. Students are welcome to review these exams in the instructor's office during regular office hours.

Laboratory Attendance

As this is a laboratory-based course, attendance in the lab is mandatory. For attendance purposes, labs have been assigned a value of 1% per lab hour. Students who miss three lab hours or less will not be penalized. However, students who miss more than three hours of lab during the semester will be docked 1% of their course mark per lab hour missed beyond the allowable three hours.

Laboratory Reports

Formal lab reports will be handed in one week following the completion of that exercise. It is expected that all lab reports will be handed in on time. Late reports will be accepted, but will be assessed a penalty of 15% of their letter grade value per day late. Reports, which have not been handed in by the end of the lab period on the day that the report is due, will be considered one day late. Additional late penalties will accumulate at 4:30 p.m. on each following day. Weekends (Saturday and Sunday) count as two days for late penalties. Therefore, a lab, which was due at 2:30 p.m. Friday, and not handed in until 9:00 a.m. Monday would be assessed a late penalty of 30%.

Plagiarism

All written material, including lab data, is to be presented individually. Should two very similar reports be received, the mark will be either be divided between the students, or both students will forfeit their mark for that report. Plagiarism, including the copying of any part of assignments, laboratory reports and essays is a serious offense and is considered to be an academic misconduct.

Cheating

A student caught cheating on an exam will forfeit that exam and perhaps the course. Cheating is a serious offense and is considered to be an academic misconduct.

Missed Exams

All in class exams and the final exam must be written at the scheduled time. Only in emergency circumstances, illness or family crisis, may a student write an exam before or after the scheduled time. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that the instructor is notified if an exam must be missed. Such notification must occur in advance if possible or, at the latest, the day of the exam. The student will be required to provide verification of the emergency circumstance (i.e. medical certificate) in order to write a make-up exam.

*** HOLIDAYS OR SCHEDULED FLIGHTS ARE NOT CONSIDERED TO BE EMERGENCIES ***