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**Proposed Syllabus for F.Y.B.Sc**

**Program: BSc**

**Course: Microbiology (RUSMIC)**

(Credit Based Semester and Grading System with effect  
from the academic year 2019–2020)

## SEMESTER I

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>UNIT</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Lec / Week</b>
<b>RUSMIC 101</b>		<b>FUNDAMENTALS OF MICROBIOLOGY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>I</b>	<b>Evolution of Microbes, History and Future of Microbiology</b>		
	<b>II</b>	<b>Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Cell Structure</b>		
	<b>III</b>	<b>Chemical basis of life</b>		
<b>RUSMIC 102</b>		<b>MICROORGANISMS – IN THE LAB AND IN NATURE</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>I</b>	<b>Cultivating and Visualizing Bacteria</b>		
	<b>II</b>	<b>Pure Culture Techniques, Characterization and preservation of Bacteria</b>		
	<b>III</b>	<b>Microbes in Natural Environments</b>		
<b>RUSMIC P101</b>		<b>Practicals based on above two courses</b>	<b>02</b>	<b>04</b>

## SEMESTER-II

<b>COURSE CODE</b>	<b>UNIT</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Lec / Week</b>
<b>RUSMIC 201</b>		<b>MICROBIAL WORLD: TYPES AND INTER-RELATIONS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>I</b>	<b>Microbial, world (Viruses Rickettsia, Actinomycetes and Archaea)</b>		
	<b>II</b>	<b>Microbial World (Algae, Fungi, Yeasts, Slime molds, Protozoa)</b>		
	<b>III</b>	<b>Microbe- Human interactions</b>		
<b>RUSMIC 202</b>		<b>TECHNIQUES IN MICROBIOLOGY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>03</b>
	<b>I</b>	<b>Microbial growth</b>		
	<b>II</b>	<b>Control of Microorganisms</b>		
	<b>III</b>	<b>Modern Techniques in Microbiology</b>		
<b>RUSMIC P201</b>		<b>Practicals based on above two courses</b>	<b>02</b>	<b>04</b>



**Course Code:RUSMIC 101**

**Course Title:Fundamentals of Microbiology**

**Academic year 2019-20**

**Learning Objectives:**

This course will introduce F.Y.B.Sc. students to basics of microbiology. Theory of evolution is the unifying theory in biology, which answers most of the questions associated with different phenomena in biological systems. Microbial evolution is an important aspect which is relatively shadowed by evolution of higher eukaryotes. It is important to know the history of the field under study as it helps to understand the development of subject and provides orientation to students towards subject. Sub cellular structure of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells is necessary to study as later in the course it will help to understand functioning of these cells.

To understand the biochemistry of cell, it is important to understand the structure and properties of biomolecules. As compared with 10+2 course, here biomolecules is studied in more detailed manner and has a biological context to it.

**Learning Outcomes: Students should be able to-**

- Understand evolution of microbes starting from origin of earth with respect to primitive environmental conditions on the planet.
- Know the history and thus development of microbiology as a field with contributions of important scientists.
- Realize scope of microbiology and know about its importance in other fields.
- Understand the subcellular structures of prokaryotic and eukaryotic cell.
- Understand structure and properties of biomolecules with reference to four important macromolecules viz. carbohydrates, proteins, lipids and nucleic acids.

## Detail Syllabus

Course Code	Title	Credits
<b>RUSMIC101</b>	<b>FUNDAMENTALS OF MICROBIOLOGY</b>	<b>2 Credits(45 lectures)</b>
<b>Unit I</b>	<b>Evolution of Microbes, History and Future of Microbiology</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>1.1: The Evolution of Microorganisms:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Formation and Early History of Earth – Origin of Earth</li> <li>b) Origin of Cellular life.</li> <li>c) RNA world hypothesis and protein synthesis</li> <li>d) Microbial Diversification</li> <li>e) Endosymbiotic origin of prokaryotes</li> <li>f) Microbial Evolution - Process</li> </ul> <p><b>1.2: History, Branches and Scope of Microbiology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Discovery of microorganisms</li> <li>b) Conflict over spontaneous generation</li> <li>c) Golden Age of Microbiology-Koch' Postulate, Medical Microbiology, Immunology</li> <li>d) Development of industrial microbiology and microbial ecology</li> <li>e) Scope and relevance of microbiology</li> </ul> <p><b>1.3: Future of Microbiology and unification with other sciences</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Molecular and genomic methods to study microorganisms</li> <li>b) Emerging diseases</li> <li>c) Search for extraterrestrial life</li> <li>d) Bio-based economies</li> </ul>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p><b>03</b></p> <p><b>02</b></p>
<b>Unit II</b>	<b>Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Cell Structure</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>2.1 Prokaryotic Cell Structure and functions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Overview of prokaryotic cell structure</li> <li>b) Cell wall</li> <li>c) Cell membrane</li> <li>d) Components external to cell wall-Capsule, Slime layer, Flagella, Pili, Fimbriae</li> <li>e) Cytoplasmic matrix-Inclusion bodies, magnetosomes,</li> </ul>	<b>08</b>

	<p>ribosomes, gas vesicles</p> <p>f) Nucleoid, Plasmids</p> <p>g) Bacterial endospores and their formation</p> <p><b>2.2 Eukaryotic Cell Structure:</b></p> <p>a) Overview of Eukaryotic cell structure</p> <p>b) Cytoplasmic matrix, microfilaments, intermediate filaments, and microtubules, Cilia and Flagella</p> <p>c) Organelles of the Biosynthetic-secretory and endocytic pathways –Endoplasmic reticulum &amp; Golgi apparatus. Lysosome, Autophagy, Proteasome</p> <p>d) Eukaryotic ribosomes</p> <p>e) Mitochondria</p> <p>f) Chloroplasts</p> <p>g) Nucleus –Nuclear Structure</p> <p>h) Mitosis &amp; meiosis</p> <p>i) Comparison of Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Cells</p>	07
<b>Unit III</b>	<b>Chemical basis of life</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>3.1: Chemical foundations:</b></p> <p>a) Biomolecules as compounds of carbon with a variety of functional groups.</p> <p>b) Universal set of small molecules.</p> <p>c) Macromolecules as the major constituents of cells.</p> <p>d) Configuration and Conformation with definitions and suitable examples only.</p> <p>e) Types of Stereoisomers and importance of stereoisomerism in biology.</p> <p>f) Types of bonds and their importance: Electrovalence, covalent, ester, phosphodiester, thioester, peptide, glycosidic.</p> <p><b>3.2: Water- Structure, properties in brief.</b></p> <p><b>3.3: Carbohydrates and glycobiology:</b></p> <p>a) Definition, Classification, Biological role.</p> <p>b) Monosaccharides, (Chair and boat conformation) oligosaccharides (maltose, cellobiose, sucrose, lactose) and polysaccharide (starch, glycogen, peptidoglycan, cellulose), glycoproteins (glycosaminoglycans and proteoglycans), glycome.</p>	<p>02</p> <p>01</p> <p>04</p>

	<p><b>3.4: Lipids:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Fatty acids as basic component of lipids</li> <li>b) Classification, nomenclature, storage lipids and structural lipids.</li> <li>c) Types of lipids with general structure of each and mention examples.</li> </ul> <p><b>3.5: Amino acids &amp; proteins:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) General structure and features of amino acids (emphasis on amphoteric nature)</li> <li>b) Classification by R-group, Uncommon amino acids and their functions Peptides and proteins- Definition and general features and examples with biological role.</li> <li>c) Primary, secondary, tertiary, quaternary structures of proteins- Brief outline.</li> </ul> <p><b>3.6: Nucleic acids:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Nitrogenous bases- Purines, Pyrimidines</li> <li>b) Pentoses-Ribose, Deoxyribose,</li> <li>c) Nomenclature of Nucleosides and nucleotides,</li> <li>d) N-<math>\beta</math>-glycosidic bond,</li> <li>e) polynucleotide chain to show bonding between nucleotides (Phosphodiester bonds).</li> <li>f) Basic structure of RNA and DNA.</li> </ul>	<p><b>03</b></p> <p><b>03</b></p> <p><b>02</b></p>
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**Course Code:RUSMIC 102**

**Course Title:Microorganisms – in the lab and in nature**

**Academic year 2019-20**

**Learning Objectives:**

To study the structure of cell and subcellular organelles, microscopic techniques are important. Cultivation of microorganisms in laboratory is important to study them. Thus nutritional requirements and cultivation methods are important to study. Certain bacteria cannot be cultivated in artificial nutrient media (VBNC) and some require diluted nutrients (oligotrophs) while some needs absence of oxygen (anaerobes), those are also studied.

To study microbes individually, pure culture techniques are important. For visualization of cells under microscope, staining techniques are used. Techniques for preservation of cultures are used in industries and research laboratories. Microorganisms play important role in regulating the turnover of elements on this planet (biogeochemical cycles). Microbes growing in extreme conditions of environment have always been mater of curiosity and the products from these extremophiles also find various applications in research and industry.

**Learning Outcomes: Students should be able to-**

- Understand principle and construction of various microscopes.
- Understand growth requirements and cultivation methods for microorganisms.
- Understand pure culture techniques, principle and types of stains.
- Understand techniques for preservation of cultures and to emphasize the importance of culture collection centers.
- Understand different phenomena exhibited by microorganisms which affect the nature.

## Detail Syllabus

<b>RUSMIC102</b>	<b>MICROORGANISMS – IN THE LAB AND IN NATURE</b>	<b>2 Credits (45 lectures)</b>
<b>Unit I</b>	<b>Cultivating and Visualizing Bacteria</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>1.1: Microscopy:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) History of microscopy, Optical spectrum, Lenses and mirrors</li> <li>b) Simple and compound light microscope</li> <li>c) Dark field Microscopy</li> <li>d) Phase contrast Microscopy</li> <li>e) Electron Microscopy</li> </ul>	<b>10</b>
	<p><b>1.2: Nutrition and Cultivation of Microorganisms:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Nutritional requirements – Carbon, Oxygen, Hydrogen, Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Sulfur and growth factors.</li> <li>b) Nutritional classification on the basis of source of energy, electron and carbon</li> <li>c) Modes of nutrition: Endocytosis, Phagocytosis, movement of solutes across membranes</li> <li>d) Media Design and composition</li> <li>e) Types of Culture media with examples</li> <li>f) VBNC &amp; oligotrophs</li> <li>g) Anaerobic cultivation</li> </ul>	<b>5</b>
<b>Unit II</b>	<b>Pure Culture Techniques, Characterization and preservation of Bacteria</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>2.1: Pure Culture Techniques</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Streak plate method</li> <li>b) Pour plate method</li> </ul>	<b>01</b>
	<p><b>2.2: Characterization of Bacteria:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Cultural Characteristics</li> <li>b) Morphological characteristics</li> <li>c) Staining procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Dyes and stains: Types,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>12</b>

	<p>Physicochemical basis Fixatives, Mordants, Decolorizers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ii. Simple and differential staining with examples</li> <li>iii. Special staining (Cell wall, Capsule, Lipid granules, Spores, Metachromatic granules &amp; Flagella)</li> </ul> <p>d) Physicochemical characterization: Influence of environmental factors on growth- oxygen, pH, temperature, osmotic pressure.</p> <p><b>2.3: Preservation of microorganisms:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Methods for maintenance and Preservation of Bacteria</li> <li>b) Culture Collection Centers</li> </ul>	02
<b>Unit III</b>	<b>Microbes in Natural Environments</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>3.1: Microorganisms in Nature</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Microenvironments</li> <li>b) Introduction to microbial biofilms</li> <li>c) Mixed populations and microbial consortia</li> <li>d) Introduction to Quorum Sensing</li> </ul> <p><b>3.2: Role of microbes in Biogeochemical cycles:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) C- cycle, N- cycle, S- cycle, Iron cycle</li> <li>b) Interaction between elemental cycles</li> </ul> <p><b>3.3: Microbial competition and cooperation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Types of Microbial Interactions: Mutualism, Cooperation, Commensalism, Predation Parasitism, Amensalism, Competition with examples</li> <li>b) Functions of symbiosis</li> <li>c) Establishment of symbiosis</li> </ul> <p><b>3.4: Introduction to extremophiles and their importance</b></p>	<p>3</p> <p>6</p> <p>4</p> <p>02</p>

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	<b>PRACTICALS</b>	
<b>RUSMICP101</b>	<b>SECTION-1 FUNDAMENTALS OF MICROBIOLOGY.</b>	<b>1 Credit</b>
<b>Unit-I</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assignment: Contribution of Scientists in the field of Microbiology/scope</li> <li>2. Spontaneous generation</li> <li>3. Demonstration of microbes in air, cough, on table surface, finger tips etc.</li> </ol>	
<b>Unit-II</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Study of prokaryotic subcellular structures by special staining: Cell wall, capsule, endospore, flagella, lipid, metachromatic granules.</li> <li>5. Study of Motility (Hanging Drop Preparation)</li> <li>6. Wet mount of Hay infusion</li> <li>7. Permanent slides of eukaryotic microorganisms</li> </ol>	
<b>Unit-III</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. Qualitative detection               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Carbohydrates- Benedicts, Molisch's test.</li> <li>b. Proteins, amino acids- Biuret, Ninhydrin.</li> <li>c. Nucleic acid detection by DPA and Orcinol</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	
<b>RUSMICP102</b>	<b>SECTION-2 MICROORGANISMS – IN THE LAB AND IN NATURE</b>	<b>1 Credit</b>
<b>Unit-I</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parts of a microscope</li> <li>2. Micrometry</li> <li>3. Dark field and Phase Contrast Microscopy: Demonstration</li> <li>4. Monochrome staining</li> <li>5. Gram staining</li> <li>6. Negative Staining</li> <li>7. Nutritional requirements- Designing media using food material</li> <li>8. Preparation of standard laboratory Culture Media:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Liquid medium(Nutrient Broth)</li> <li>b. Solid Media(Nutrient agar, Sabouraud's agar)</li> <li>c. Preparation of slant, butts &amp; plates</li> </ol> </li> <li>9. Inoculation techniques and Study of Growth:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Inoculation of Liquid Medium</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	

	b. Inoculation of Solid Media(Slants, Butts and Plates)	
<b>Unit-II</b>	<p>10. Pure culture techniques- Streak plate method</p> <p>11. Study of Colony Characteristics of bacteria.</p> <p>12. Use of Differential &amp; Selective Media : (MacConkey&amp; Salt Mannitol Agar), Enriched (Blood Agar) &amp; enrichment (Ashby's Mannitol broth)</p> <p>13. Effect of environment on growth</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Temperature</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. pH</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">c. Osmotic pressure</p> <p>14. Demonstration of anaerobic jar</p> <p>15. Methods of Preservation of culture- Soil stock, oil overlay and preparation of glycerol stocks,lyophilization (demo)</p>	
<b>Unit-III</b>	<p>16. Dip slide technique to demonstrate microbial biofilms</p> <p>17. Crowded plate technique for demonstration of antibiosis</p> <p>18. Demonstration of bacteroid forms of <i>Rhizobia</i></p>	

**Course Code:RUSMIC 201**

**Course Title: Microbial World: Types and Inter-relations**

**Academic year 2019-20**

**Learning Objectives:**

Microbial world is diverse. Different types of microorganisms are known viz. Bacteria, Fungi, Archaeobacteria, Rickettsia etc. This course discusses structural features and characteristics of these microorganisms. These microbes are a part of our day to day life, right from microbial products (antibiotics) to causing infection by pathogenic strains. Some of them have ecological and economic significance. Microbes are associated with different parts of human body influencing resistance to pathogens and immune system of human body. Introduction to human immune system is mentioned. In spite of these defense mechanisms, pathogens are able to establish infection, mechanism of infection is discussed.

**Learning Outcomes: Students should be able to-**

- Understand structure and characteristics of Viruses Rickettsia, Actinomycetes Archaea, algae, fungi, yeasts, slime molds, protozoa.
- Understand the life cycle of representative organism from each of these groups.
- Knowing different normal flora organisms with respect to different parts in human body.
- Understanding mechanism of infection in human body.
- Understanding factors and components of host defense.

## Detail Syllabus

<b>RUSMIC201</b>	<b>MICROBIAL WORLD: TYPES AND INTER-RELATIONS</b>	<b>2 Credits (45 lectures)</b>
<b>Unit I</b>	<b>Microbial, world (Viruses Rickettsia, Actinomycetes and Archea)</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>1.1: Viruses:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Historical highlights, General properties of viruses, prions, viroids</li> <li>b) Structure of viruses-capsids, envelopes, genomes–TMV, Influenza, and T4 as representatives</li> <li>c) Cultivation of viruses- overview</li> </ul>	<b>05</b>
	<p><b>1.2: Rickettsia, Chlamydia, Mycoplasma:</b></p> <p>General features and medical significance</p>	<b>03</b>
	<p><b>1.3: Actinomycetes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) General features</li> <li>b) Examples- Nocardia and Streptomyces</li> <li>c) Importance: ecological, commercial and medical</li> </ul>	<b>02</b>
	<p><b>1.4 Archaea:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Introduction- Major Archaeal physiological groups,</li> <li>b) Archaeal cell wall, lipids and membranes</li> <li>c) Ecological importance</li> </ul>	<b>03</b>
	<p><b>1.5 Cyanobacteria &amp; Myxobacteria</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) General Properties.</li> <li>b) Ecological significance</li> </ul>	<b>02</b>
<b>Unit II</b>	<b>Microbial World (algae, fungi, yeasts, slime molds, protozoa)</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>



	<p><b>2.1: Protozoa:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) General characteristics</li> <li>b) Major categories of Protozoa based on motility, reproduction</li> <li>c) Medically important Protozoa</li> <li>d) Life cycle of Entamoeba</li> </ul> <p><b>2.2: Algae:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Characteristics of algae: morphology, Pigments, reproduction</li> <li>b) Cultivation of algae</li> <li>c) Major groups of Algae –an overview</li> <li>d) Biological, Medical and economic importance of Algae</li> <li>e) Medical, ecological &amp; Commercial application</li> </ul> <p><b>2.3: Fungi and Yeast:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Characteristics: structure, Reproduction</li> <li>b) Cultivation of fungi and yeasts</li> <li>c) Major fungal divisions- overview</li> <li>d) Life cycle of yeast</li> <li>e) Biological and economical importance</li> </ul> <p><b>2.4: Slime molds</b></p>	<p><b>04</b></p> <p><b>05</b></p> <p><b>05</b></p> <p><b>01</b></p>
<p><b>Unit III</b></p>	<p><b>Microbe- Human interactions:</b></p>	<p><b>15 lectures</b></p>
	<p><b>3.1: Normal flora of the human body:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Initial colonization of the new-born</li> <li>b) Indigenous flora of specific regions-Skin, Nose &amp; Nasopharynx, Oropharynx, Respiratory tract, Eye, External ear, Mouth, Stomach, Small intestine, Large intestine and Genitourinary tract</li> <li>c) Gnotobiotic animals</li> <li>d) Introduction to the concept of microbiome</li> </ul> <p><b>3.2: Development of infection:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Portal of entry and infectious dose</li> <li>b) Attaching to host</li> <li>c) Surviving defenses</li> <li>d) Virulence factors</li> <li>e) Establishment of disease:</li> </ul>	<p><b>04</b></p> <p><b>06</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Classical stages of an infection</li> <li>ii. Patterns of an infection- localized, systemic, focal, mixed, primary, secondary, acute and chronic infections</li> <li>iii. Signs and symptoms of disease</li> <li>iv. Persistence of microbes and diseased state</li> </ul> <p>f) Portal of exit</p> <p><b>3.3:Host defense against infection: Overview</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Factors affecting host defense: Species resistance, racial resistance and Individual resistance</li> <li>b) Introduction to innate and adaptive defenses</li> <li>c) Barriers at portal of entry: Physical barriers, Chemical defenses, genetic resistance.</li> </ul>	<b>05</b>
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**Course Code: RUSMIC 202**

**Course Title: Techniques in Microbiology**

**Academic year 2019-20**

**Learning Objectives:**

Growth of microorganisms is to be estimated in different fields like industrial microbiology, environmental microbiology, clinical samples, food microbiology etc. For this, different methods of enumeration of bacteria are to be studied. Also growth pattern of microorganism is characteristic of it and thus needed to be studied. Direct and indirect methods of microbial growth are discussed. Control of growth of microorganisms is important with respect to maintenance of aseptic conditions in industries, hospitals, research laboratories, etc. So, different methods of controlling growth are studied. Mechanisms underlying these methods are emphasized. Topic of biosafety is introduced at this very appropriate level, where students will start handling microorganisms in laboratory. Nowadays, study of microorganisms is shifting from cultural method based to molecular methods based. So, it is important to teach students principle and methods associated with these techniques which find applications not only in research but also in diagnostics, food microbiology etc.

**Learning Outcomes: Students should be able to-**

- Understand growth pattern of microorganisms, mainly for bacteria.
- Understand different methods of measurement of growth of microorganisms.
- Understand mechanisms of various physical and chemical antimicrobial agents.
- Understand the concept of biosafety and biosafety levels.
- Understand molecular methods of detection of bacteria and other culture independent methods of the same.

## Detail Syllabus

<b>RUSMIC202</b>	<b>TECHNIQUES IN MICROBIOLOGY</b>	<b>2 Credits (45 lectures)</b>
<b>Unit I</b>	<b>Microbial growth</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>1.1: Growth curve and Mathematical Expression of growth</b></p> <p>a) Definition of growth, Growth phases b) Determining growth constant and growth rate.</p> <p><b>1.2: Measurement of growth</b></p> <p>a) Direct microscopic count – Breed's count, Petroff – Hausser counting chamber-Haemocytometer. b) Viable count – Spread plate and Pour plate technique c) Measurements of cell constituents. d) Turbidity measurements– Brown's opacity tubes and spectrophotometer techniques e) Factors affecting growth pattern</p>	<p><b>05</b></p> <p><b>10</b></p>
<b>Unit II</b>	<b>Control of Microorganisms</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>2.1 Definitions of terms</b></p> <p><b>2.2 Physical agents for control of microorganisms</b>(mode of action, advantages, disadvantages and applications)</p> <p>a) High temperature-moist heat and dry heat b) Low temperatures c) Radiation d) Osmotic pressure e) Desiccation f) Physical removal of microorganisms-bacteriological filters</p>	<p><b>01</b></p> <p><b>05</b></p>

	<p><b>2.3: Chemical agents for control of microorganisms</b></p> <p>Mode of action, advantages, disadvantages and applications of all major groups of antimicrobial agents</p> <p><b>2.4: Evaluation of chemical disinfectants</b></p> <p><b>2.5: Chemotherapeutic antimicrobial agents</b> – Types and examples (Tabular form)</p> <p><b>2.6: Biosafety in Microbiology</b></p> <p>a) Biosafety general principles and terminology with equipment</p> <p>b) Biological containment and laboratory safety levels</p>	<p><b>03</b></p> <p><b>01</b></p> <p><b>01</b></p> <p><b>04</b></p>
<b>Unit III</b>	<b>Modern techniques in Microbiology</b>	<b>15 lectures</b>
	<p><b>3.1: Modern microscopy:</b></p> <p>a) Fluorescence microscopy</p> <p>b) Confocal Microscopy</p> <p><b>3.2: Molecular methods of microbe detection</b></p> <p>a) Identification and quantification using nucleic acid probes and labeled antibodies</p> <p>b) Microbial activity measurements using radioisotopes and microelectrodes</p> <p>c) PCR, Electrophoretic techniques, Hybridization techniques, Blotting techniques</p> <p><b>3.3: Introduction to Metagenomics, community DNA analysis</b></p>	<p><b>03</b></p> <p><b>10</b></p> <p><b>02</b></p>

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	<b>PRACTICALS</b>	<b>2 Credits</b>
<b>RUSMICP201</b>	<b>SECTION-1</b> <b>MICROBIAL WORLD: TYPES AND INTER-RELATIONS</b>	<b>1 Credit</b>
<b>Unit-I</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Demonstration of Bacteriophages in sewage</li> <li>2. Isolation of Actinomycetes from soil and Slide Culture technique for Actinomycetes</li> <li>3. Biogas production using methanogens</li> </ol>	
<b>Unit-II</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Isolation of yeast, and other fungi</li> <li>5. Fungal Wet mounts &amp; Study of Morphological Characteristics <i>Mucor, Rhizopus, Aspergillus, Penicillium</i></li> <li>6. Slide culture of fungi</li> <li>7. Cultivation of fungi- static and shaker conditions</li> <li>8. Permanent slides of Algae, Protozoa</li> <li>9. Demonstration of protozoa in hay infusion</li> </ol>	
<b>Unit-III</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. Normal flora of the skin, oral cavity and intestine.</li> <li>11. Role of fomites</li> <li>12. Cough plate technique</li> </ol>	
<b>RUSMICP202</b>	<b>SECTION-2</b> <b>TECHNIQUES IN MICROBIOLOGY</b>	<b>1 Credit</b>
<b>Unit-I</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13. Study of growth curve of bacteria</li> <li>14. Enumeration of microorganisms using Haemocytometer &amp; Breed's Count</li> <li>15. Enumeration of microorganisms Brown's opacity tubes</li> <li>16. Viable count: Spread plate and pour plate</li> </ol>	
<b>Unit-II</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>17. Demonstration of efficiency of autoclave</li> <li>18. Effect of UV Light on bacteria</li> <li>19. Effect of surface tension on bacterial growth</li> <li>20. Study of Oligodynamic action</li> <li>21. Effect of dyes, phenolic compounds and chemotherapeutic agents on bacteria- disc diffusion method</li> </ol>	
<b>Unit-III</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>22. Introduction to laboratory equipment for electrophoresis, PCR</li> <li>23. Assignment on any modern method used in microbial detection</li> </ol>	





## Modality of Assessment

### Theory Examination Pattern:

**A) Internal Assessment - 40% 40 marks.**

Sr No	Evaluation type	Marks
1	One Assignment/Case study/Project	10
2	One class Test (multiple choice questions / objective)	20
3	Active participation in routine class instructional deliveries(case studies/ seminars/presentation)	05
4	Overall conduct as a responsible student, manners, skill in articulation, leadership qualities demonstrated through organizing co-curricular activities, etc.	05

**B ) External examination - 60 %**

**Semester End Theory Assessment - 60% 60 marks**

- i. Duration - These examinations shall be of **two hours** duration.
- ii. Theory question paper pattern :-
  1. There shall be **four** questions each of **15** marks. On each unit there will be one question & fourth one will be based on all the three units.
  2. All questions shall be compulsory with internal choice within the questions. Each question will be of **30** marks with options.

### **Paper Pattern:**

Questions	Options	Marks	Questions on
Q.1)A)	Any 2 out of 4	10	Unit I
Q.1)B)	Any 5 out of 8	5	
Q.2)A)	Any 2 out of 4	10	Unit II
Q.2)B)	Any 5 out of 8	5	
Q.3)A)	Any 2 out of 4	10	Unit III
Q.3)B)	Any 5 out of 8	5	
Q.4)	Any 3 out of 5	15	All three units

**Practical Examination Pattern:**

**(A) Internal Examination:-**

	Paper I	Paper II
Journal	05	05
Test	10	10
Participation	05	05
Total	20	20

**(B) External (Semester end practical examination) :- 50 Marks Per Section**

Sr.No.	Particulars	Marks	Total
1.	Laboratory work (Section-I + Section-II)	25 + 25 =	50
2.	Spots	05 + 05 =	10

**PRACTICAL BOOK/JOURNAL**

The students are required to present a duly certified journal for appearing at the practical examination, failing which they will not be allowed to appear for the examination.

**In case of loss of Journal and/ or Report, a Lost Certificate should be obtained from Head/ Co-ordinator / Incharge of the department ; failing which the student will not be allowed to appear for the practical examination.**

**Overall Examination and Marks Distribution Pattern**

**Semester I**

Course	101			102			Grand Total
	Internal	External	Total	Internal	External	Total	
Theory	40	60	100	40	60	100	200
Practicals	20	30	50	20	30	50	100

**Semester II**

Course	201			202			Grand Total
	Internal	External	Total	Internal	External	Total	
Theory	40	60	100	40	60	100	200
Practicals	20	30	50	20	30	50	100

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