

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2017

Introduction to microbiology 161 (MBY 161)

Faculty Fa	aculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits 8.	00
Programmes BS	Sc Computer Science
BS	Sc Information and Knowledge Systems
BS	Sc Biochemistry
BS	Sc Biological Sciences
BS	Sc Biotechnology
BS	Sc Chemistry
BS	Sc Culinary Science
BS	Sc Ecology
BS	Sc Entomology
BS	Sc Extended programme - Biological and Agricultural Sciences
BS	Sc Food Science
BS	Sc Genetics
BS	Sc Human Genetics
BS	Sc Human Physiology
BS	Sc Medical Sciences
BS	Sc Microbiology
BS	Sc Nutrition
BS	Sc Plant Science
BS	Sc Zoology
BS	ScAgric Animal and Pasture Science
BS	ScAgric Animal Science
BS	ScAgric Applied Plant and Soil Sciences
BS	ScAgric Plant Pathology
Service modules Fa	aculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Prerequisites M	LB 111 GS



Contact time	2 lectures per week, 1 practical per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Academic organisation	Microbiology and Plant Path
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

The module will introduce the student to the field of Microbiology. Basic Microbiological aspects that will be covered include introduction into the diversity of the microbial world (bacteria, archaea, eukaryotic microorganisms and viruses), basic principles of cell structure and function, microbial nutrition and microbial growth and growth control. Applications in Microbiology will be illustrated by specific examples i.e. bioremediation, animal-microbial symbiosis, plant-microbial symbiosis and the use of microorganisms in industrial microbiology. Wastewater treatment, microbial diseases and food will be introduced using specific examples.

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