

Semester	6		
Course Code:	MIBI 33541		
Course Name:	Laboratory aspects of Medical and Veterinary Microbiology ¹		
Credit Value:	1		
Core/Optional	Optional/ Core ¹		
Hourly Breakdown	Theory	Practical	Independent Learning
	-	30 hrs	15 hrs
Course Aim/Intended Learning Outcomes:			
Upon successful completion of this course student will be able to;			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the importance of appropriate safety standards in medical laboratory procedures, • Understand the principles of appropriate laboratory techniques used for the identification of clinically significant organisms, • Analyze relevant specimens of common microorganisms using different techniques and interpret results, • Describe the mechanisms of action of commonly used antimicrobials and apply standard performance principles to antimicrobial susceptibility tests. 			
Course Content:			
Laboratory exercises to illustrate the contents and special features emphasized in lecture course in Medical & Veterinary microbiology. Bacteria of the skin, Bacteria of the mouth, Bacteria of the respiratory tract, Chemical methods of control: Disinfectants and Antiseptics, Action of antibiotics and dyes. Immunological techniques used in disease diagnosis: Blood Test, Agglutination Reaction, Tube Agglutination, Complement fixation.			
Teaching /Learning Methods:			
A combination of laboratory exercises, small group discussions/ presentations and demonstration classes.			
Assessment Strategy: Continuous assessment and end of the course unit examination.			
Continuous Assessment 10%		Final Assessment 90%	
Details: Laboratory Reports: 10%		Theory (%) -	Practical (%) 90 Other (%) -
Recommended Reading:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greenwood, D. Slack, R. Barer, M. and Irving, W. (2012) <i>Medical Microbiology</i>. 18th Ed. Churchill Livingstone. • Barrow, G.I. and Feltham, R.K.A. (1993) <i>Cowan and Steel's Manual for the Identification of Medical Bacteria</i>. 3rd Ed. Cambridge University Press. • Turgeon, M.L. (2013) <i>Immunology and Serology in Laboratory Medicine</i>. 5th Ed. Elsevier Mosby. 			

¹ Compulsory only for the students who follow B. Sc. (Honours) Degree in Microbiology