

UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

CNC-II/093/1(23)/2022-23/

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NOTIFICATION

Sub: Amendment to Ordinance V

[E.C Resolution No. 38-1/ (38-1-3) dated 08.12.2022]

Following addition be made to Appendix-II-A to the Ordinance V (2-A) of the Ordinances of the University;

Add the following:

Syllabi of Semester-II of the following departments under Faculty of Science based on Under Graduate Curriculum Framework -2022 to be implemented from the Academic Year 2022-23.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

**Category-I
B.Sc. (H) Botany**

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – 4: Microbiology and Plant-Microbe Interactions

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Microbiology and Plant-Microbe Interactions	04	2	0	2	10+2 from any recognized Board with Biology	Nil

Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

To impart basic understanding about microbial world and their interactions with plants.

Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- Understanding microbes and their roles and applications.
- Understanding about modes of reproduction of Viruses, Archaeobacteria, Eubacteria.
- Understand plant-microbe interaction

SYLLABUS OF DSC-4

Unit 1: Introduction

02 Hours

Microbial world, Growth and nutrition of microbes with reference to nutritional media.

Unit 2: Viruses

07 Hours

Discovery; Physicochemical and biological characteristics; Classification (Baltimore); General structure with special reference to viroids and prions, DNA and RNA viruses; General account and mechanism of replication, lytic and lysogenic cycle; General account of viral diseases of plants (mosaic and vein clearing disease).

Unit 3: Bacteria

09 Hours

Discovery, General characteristics; Types - Archaeobacteria, Eubacteria, Wall less forms (Mycoplasma, Phytoplasma and Spheroplasts); Cell structure; Nutritional types; Reproduction - vegetative, asexual and recombination (conjugation, transformation and transduction); General account of bacterial diseases of plants (Citrus canker, Angular leaf spots of cotton).

Unit 4: Applied Microbiology

04 Hours

Economic importance of viruses with reference to vaccine production, role in research, medicine and diagnostics and agriculture. Economic importance of bacteria with reference to their role in agriculture and industry (fermentation and medicine).

Unit 5: Plant-Microbe interactions

08 Hours

General account of Plant-microbe interactions; Plant growth promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR); Mechanism of nitrogen fixation by Cyanobacteria and Rhizobia; Types of mycorrhizal association with plants; Ectomycorrhiza and Endomycorrhiza and their effects on plant growth.

Practicals:

1. Study of Viruses: Electron micrographs / Model - T-Bacteriophage and TMV; specimens/digital resources/ Line drawings of Lytic and Lysogenic Cycle. 08 Hours
2. Study of Bacteria: Electron micrographs of bacteria; Types of Bacteria from temporary/permanent slides. Endospore, Binary fission, Conjugation, Root nodule through specimens/digital resources. 08 Hours
3. Study of Plant Growth Promoting Rhizobacteria (PGPR) through specimens/digital resources (at least three). 04 Hours
4. Gram staining to differentiate between Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria. 08 Hours
5. Study of *Rhizobium* from root nodules of a leguminous plant. 08 Hours
6. Isolation of *Anabaena* from *Azolla* leaves. 08 Hours
7. Histochemical staining to observe Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Fungi (AMF) colonization in roots. 08 Hours
8. Study of Bacterial diseases (Citrus canker, Angular leaf spots of cotton) and viral diseases

of plants (mosaic and vein clearing disease) through specimens/digital resources.

08 Hours

Suggested Readings:

1. Pelczar, M.J. (2001) Microbiology, 5th edition. New Delhi, Delhi: Tata Mc-Graw- Hill Co.
2. Tortora, G.J., Funke, B.R., Case, C.L. (2016) Microbiology: An Introduction, Indian edition, Pearson India Education Services Pvt. Limited, Noida, India
3. Prescott, L.M., Harley J.P., Klein D. A. (2005). Microbiology, 6th edition: McGraw Hill, New Delhi.
4. Gupta, R., Chugh, G. (2022) Plants, Microbes and Diseases 1st Edition, I.K. International Pvt. Ltd., Delhi.
5. Subba Rao, N.S. (2000) Soil Microbiology, Oxford & IBH Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi

Additional Resources:

1. Talaro, K.P., Talaro, A. (2006). Foundations in Microbiology. Mc-Graw Hill, New Delhi

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.