

Course Code	BYU 5300					
Level	05					
Course Title	Environmental & Applied Microbiology					
Credit value	3					
Core/Optional	Optional					
Prerequisites	BYU 4303 Pass/Valid OCAM, BOU2103 EL/Pass					
Hourly breakdown	Theory		Practical	Independent Learning	Assessment	Total
	(22 Sessions) 44 hrs	(4 DSs) 08 hrs	(4 days Lab – 6x4 = 24 + 2 hrs 5 th day lab 26 hrs	(Sessions -66hrs) ie 3 x 22 sessions + Online /Audio-visual materials and other learning resources = 3hrs + Lab/field/ other (x 0.5) 24 X 0.5 = 12hrs Other (recommended reading) 3hrs 84 hrs	(1 OBT x 1h) + (1 NBT x 1h) + (1PT x 1h) 3hrs	
Course Aim/s.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To introduce the students the diversity of microbial life in different microbial habitats. To provide students an understanding of the impacts of microorganisms in environment related issues, public health, food/water sanitation, industry and genetic engineering. To introduce students various methods used to detect, quantify and monitor microbial presence and activity in different environments through laboratory exercises. 					
PLOs addressed by course	<p>PLO1: Knowledge: Explain the fundamental, principles and broader knowledge pertaining to the chosen science disciplines offered for the degree.</p> <p>PLO2: Practical Knowledge and Application. Demonstrate the competency to use the knowledge and practical skills appropriately.</p> <p>PLO4: Individual Work, Team Work and Leadership: Demonstrate the competency in working independently and in groups in addressing issues in multi-disciplinary environments and completing the tasks on time through collaborative learning while exhibiting leadership.</p> <p>PLO8: Vision for Life: Develop the capacity to project for future through identifying self-directed goals and continuously targeting towards them for self-improvement by undertaking further studies.</p> <p>PLO9: Lifelong Learning: Develop the capacity to foresee new trends and their impacts and continuously update knowledge and develop skills willingly to meet those future challenges.</p>					
Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)	<p>The students should be able to:</p> <p>CLO1: Investigate properties of different environments such as soil, air, water and food and how these properties affect the distribution and survival of microorganisms – PLO1, PLO2</p> <p>CLO2: Evaluate the importance of microorganisms in biogeochemical cycles, microbial deterioration, food spoilage, industry and genetic engineering applications. PLO1, PLO2 and PLO9</p> <p>CLO3: List the factors affecting the water pollution, indicators used to determine water quality and analyze the treatment processes of municipal water, wastewater and hazardous waste. PLO1, PLO2 and PLO9</p> <p>CLO4: Demonstrate the ability to identify reservoirs of infection and modes of transmission of human diseases, components of human immunity system and types of immunity. PLO1, PLO8 and PLO9</p> <p>CLO5: Demonstrate the ability to apply theoretical learning on acquiring practical knowledge and techniques - (water quality tests, microbiological tests on milk and milk products, microbial enumeration tests etc.) PLO2, PLO4, PLO8 and PLO9</p>					
Content (Main topics, sub topics)	<p>Microbiology of soil –Microbiology of soil , Interactions between organisms in the soil , Role of microorganisms in decomposition and its ecological importance, Microbial deterioration of specific material</p> <p>Microbiology of air and water – Aeromicrobiology, Aquatic microorganisms, Pollution of water supplies and quality and treatment of potable water, wastewater and waste management</p> <p>Microbiology of food – Microorganisms in food, Microbial spoilage food, Food borne illnesses, Principles and processes of food preservation, Microbiological standards and quality control of food</p> <p>Microorganisms and diseases of man – Microorganisms of medical importance, Relationships between microorganisms and man, Infectious diseases, Host's resistance to microbial infection, Immune system and immunological tests.</p> <p>Exploitation of microorganisms by man - Industrial uses of microorganisms- food and alcoholic beverages, Industrial uses of microorganisms- organic compounds and pharmaceutical products, Microorganisms and genetic engineering</p>					
Teaching Learning methods (TL)	<p>Self-Learning/Independent learning of Self-study</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Online Activities (OL) ▪ Reference Work (RE) 					

	Compulsory contact sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Practical Sessions (PR) ▪ Assessments (AS) and Feedback – MCQs (MCQ); Structured Essay (SEQ); Essay Questions (ES); Reports (RE); Practical Tests (PT); Assignments (A) Non-compulsory contact sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Day Schools (DS) 	
Assessment strategy	Overall CA Mark (OCAM): 40%	Final Assessment: 60%
	OCAM : 50% best of OBT/NBT (1h) + 20 % next best OBT/NBT(1h) + 30% from PT (1h)(Minimum 30 % and attendance compulsory)	<i>Final Evaluation</i> Theory: 100% 1 paper (Essay type) – 2hrs
Recommended Readings:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dubai, R.C. (2005) . <i>A Textbook of Microbiology</i>. S Chand & Company Ltd, New Delhi. • Eley, A.R. (Ed) (1992) <i>Microbial Food Poisoning</i>. Chapman & Hall, London. • Parry, T.J. & Pawsey, R.K.(1984). <i>Principles of Microbiology for Students of Food Technology</i>. Stanley Tomes Publishers Ltd. 	