



General Microbiology BSCI 223

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Required texts:

Available in the University Book Store:

Response Innovations Key pad (Clicker)

Bauman, "Microbiology, With Diseases by Taxonomy" ISBN 0321505824

NOTE: There is a cheaper paperback version of this book available in the Bookstore (ISBN 032 version, the bookstore will not buy it back as a used book

Available free, via on-line access:

Lab Manual: [Exploring New Cultures](#), Smith, 2006. **The lab manual is available on line in the [Co](#)**

Prerequisite: BSCI 105

Course Support:

We have established an on-line learning center for this course. We encourage you to access this center for opportunities and course information. This is also a place to communicate with your peers, your TA's. The 223 on-line learning center can be found in University's closed web system [-Web CT](#).

[Link for Login Help](#)

Grading:

	Course Grade - points out of 100%
Exam 1	15
Exam 2	15
Final Exam	20
Assignment 1	10
Assignment 2	10
PAK points	5
Laboratory Reports	5
Laboratory Midterm	7
Laboratory Final	11
Clicker Points	2

Assignments: Details for Assignments will be found in the course WebCT space.

Assignments are group assignments and your grade on each assignment will be subject to peer review.

to complete Assignments 1 and 2. Each assignment will receive a group grade. Each person in the group will receive a grade for each group assignment. If your group members indicate that you have contributed 100% to the group, you will receive a group grade of 100%. If your group members indicate in the peer review that you have not contributed according to the level of participation, you will receive a percentage of the group grade that reflects your level of participation.

Participation/Applied Knowledge (PAK) Points:

Points will be earned for submission of answers to questions relevant to Case Studies 1, 2 and 3. The PAK questions and Case Studies are found in WebCT. The links will be available in a time sensitive manner through WebCT. See lecture syllabus for due dates.

Clicker Points:

Students are required to purchase a Response Innovations Key pad (Clicker). Points will be awarded for correct answers to questions in lecture. Prior to lecture 1 please register your clicker. See www.clickers.umd.edu

Laboratory Midterm and Final will be given in an on-line environment. To complete the exams student exam will take place in CSS Building and will be proctored by teaching assistants. Students are encouraged to complete practice quizzes that will be available in WebCT. [Students should report to CSS lab at set](#)

Course Grade: Your course grade will be determined based upon the categories listed in the table below based upon points earned. See the chart below:

%	100-98	97.9-92	91.9-90.0	89.9-88.0	87.9-82.0	81.9-80.0	79.9-78.0	77.9-72.0	71.9-70.0
Grade	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-

Policies and Expectations:

UM has a nationally recognized [Code of Academic Integrity](#). The code sets the standards for all students, both undergraduates and graduate students. As a student you are responsible for upholding the standards and you to be aware of the consequences of cheating, fabrication, facilitation and plagiarism. Violations will be enforced by the Code of Academic Integrity or the Student Honor Council visit this link: <http://www.studenthonor.org> Students will be encouraged to write the [Honor Pledge](#) on exams.

Acts of dishonesty include:

- A. **Cheating:** Intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information or study aids in any academic exercise.
- B. **Fabrication:** Intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.
- C. **Facilitating Academic Dishonesty:** Intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another to commit an act of academic dishonesty.
- D. **Plagiarism:** Intentionally or knowingly representing the words or ideas of another as one's own in any academic exercise.

Excused Absences: Students will not be penalized for absence due to:

- Religious observance on University sanctioned days.
- Illness, when an official physician's note is submitted.
- Accident, when confirmable proof is submitted.
- Participation in a University Event, when prior notice is given..

In the event of an absence the student must send an email to the teaching assistant or course instructor.

Exam Make Up Policy: If a student is aware of a conflict that will prohibit attendance to class on the day of the exam, the student has the responsibility to contact the instructor as soon as possible to discuss the options for a Make Up exam. If a student has an excused absence the option of a Make Up exam is available. On the day of the exam, the student must present a written excuse to the course instructor at the first lecture attended after the absence. The student must also make arrangements for scheduling the makeup exam. It is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor regarding the makeup exam.

Laboratory Attendance: Laboratory attendance is mandatory. **Three absences will result in a grade of F.** If a student has an excused absence, the student should call or email the Teaching Assistant. Upon return to lab, the student must submit all missed lab reports. If a student misses 2 labs they are required to meet with the Lab instructor prior to the next lab session.

Exam Regrade Policy: Request for re-grading of exams or papers must be submitted in writing to you from date when exam/paper was returned. The submission must include your rationale for a re-grade

CORE Applicability : BSCI 223 satisfies the Life Sciences Lab course requirement of the Distributive . Please note that students who have not completed the BSCI 105 prerequisite should consider the course option for CORE..

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