



Teaching Guide

Teaching Guide				
Identifying Data				2021/22
Subject (*)	Microbiology Techniques		Code	610G02017
Study programme	Grao en Bioloxía			
Descriptors				
Cycle	Period	Year	Type	Credits
Graduate	1st four-month period	Third	Obligatory	6
Language	Spanish			
Teaching method	Face-to-face			
Prerequisites				
Department	Bioloxía			
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Web				
General description	Learning the basic techniques of a Microbiology Laboratory, as well as their potential applications in the field of microbiological quality control and in research.			
Contingency plan	<p>In the unlikely event of capacity problems in the spaces designated for in-person activities, additional spaces will be reserved in which students can follow the activities through the TEAMS platform. In the case of laboratory activities, the groups will be distributed to adapt to the capacity of the laboratory. In the case of unexpected non-attendance:</p> <p>1. Modifications to the contents</p> <p>No changes will be made</p> <p>2. Methodologies</p> <p>*Teaching methodologies that are maintained</p> <p>The proposed teaching methodologies are maintained</p> <p>*Teaching methodologies that are modified</p> <p>If necessary, teaching methodologies involving attendance will be adapted to the COVID-19-derived circumstances:</p> <p>Lectures and seminars: telematic teaching through Teams.</p> <p>Laboratory practices: in the event of not being able to carry out the practices face-to-face, they will be replaced by telematic alternatives related to the corresponding contents.</p> <p>3. Mechanisms for personalized attention to students</p> <p>Microsoft Teams or Forms: Online teaching and testing. Personalized and group attention (video, audio or chat) when the students raise questions; also on request from the teaching staff.</p> <p>Moodle: Document repository and teaching support, for tests or works submission and also for notifications and communication with students.</p> <p>Email: Personal and group attention to questions required by students, as well as notifications from the professor</p> <p>4. Modifications in the evaluation</p> <p>In the event that the laboratory practices are suspended, these will be replaced by the preparation of a technical report based on experimental data to be provided to the students</p> <p>*Evaluation observations:</p> <p>If necessary, it will be done by telematic media using virtual tools (Teams and Moodle)</p> <p>5. Modifications to the bibliography or webgraphy</p> <p>If necessary, additional resources will be provided</p>			

Study programme competences / results

Code	Study programme competences / results
A1	Recoñecer distintos niveis de organización nos sistemas vivos.
A2	Identificar organismos.



A9	Identificar e utilizar bioindicadores.
A11	Identificar e analizar material de orixe biolóxica e as súas anomalías.
A13	Realizar o illamento e cultivo de microorganismos e virus.
A14	Desenvolver e aplicar produtos e procesos de microorganismos.
A15	Deseñar e aplicar procesos biotecnolóxicos.
A21	Deseñar modelos de procesos biolóxicos.
A25	Desenvolver e aplicar técnicas de biocontrol.
A26	Deseñar experimentos, obter información e interpretar os resultados.
A27	Dirixir, redactar e executar proxectos en Bioloxía.
A29	Impartir coñecementos de Bioloxía.
A30	Manexar adecuadamente instrumentación científica.
A31	Desenvolverse con seguridade nun laboratorio.
B1	Aprender a aprender.
B2	Resolver problemas de forma efectiva.
B3	Aplicar un pensamento crítico, lóxico e creativo.
B4	Traballar de forma autónoma con iniciativa.
B5	Traballar en colaboración.
B6	Organizar e planificar o traballo.
B7	Comunicarse de maneira efectiva nunha contorna de traballo.
B8	Sintetizar a información.
B10	Exercer a crítica científica.
B11	Debater en público.
B12	Adaptarse a novas situacións.
C1	Expresarse correctamente, tanto de forma oral coma escrita, nas linguas oficiais da comunidade autónoma.
C3	Utilizar as ferramentas básicas das tecnoloxías da información e as comunicacións (TIC) necesarias para o exercicio da súa profesión e para a aprendizaxe ao longo da súa vida.
C6	Valorar criticamente o coñecemento, a tecnoloxía e a información dispoñible para resolver os problemas cos que deben enfrontarse.
C8	Valorar a importancia que ten a investigación, a innovación e o desenvolvemento tecnolóxico no avance socioeconómico e cultural da sociedade.

Learning outcomes			
Learning outcomes		Study programme competences / results	
Fluid handling of the basic techniques of microbiology laboratory and their potential applications in industry and research.		A1	B2 C3
		A2	B3 C6
		A9	B4 C8
		A11	B5
		A13	B6
		A14	B7
		A15	B8
		A21	B10
		A25	B11
		A26	
		A27	
		A29	
		A30	
		A31	



Ability to relate concepts and practical application thereof.		B1 B6 B8 B10 B12	C1
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Contents	
Topic	Sub-topic
I. Methods for detection and quantification of microorganisms	1. Sampling 2. Processing of samples 3. Methods of enrichment, isolation and culture 4. Methods of counting
II. Classification and identification of prokaryotes	1. Phenotypic methods 2. Genotypic methods
III. Measures of biomass and microbial metabolic activity	1. Estimates of the total microbial biomass 2. Specific determination of biomass 3. Measures of microbial activity
PRACTICES	1. Methods of counting and estimating biomass and microbial activity 2. Microbiological analysis of different materials 3. Determination of indicator and pathogen microorganisms 4. Rapid bacterial identification phenotypic techniques 5. Genotypic methods for analysis of microorganisms
SEMINARS	1. Reporting of results
CASE STUDY	1. Conducting and oral presentation of case studies

Planning				
Methodologies / tests	Competencies / Results	Teaching hours (in-person & virtual)	Student's personal work hours	Total hours
Guest lecture / keynote speech	A1 A14 A15 A21 A25 A29 B12 C6 C8	8	24	32
Laboratory practice	A2 A9 A11 A13 A26 A30 A31 B6	30	30	60
Seminar	A26 A27 B1 B2 B4 B5 B7 B10 B11 C3	4	16	20
Case study	B2 B5 B8	5	25	30
Mixed objective/subjective test	B3 B8 C1	4	0	4
Personalized attention		4	0	4

(*)The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

Methodologies	
Methodologies	Description
Guest lecture / keynote speech	Exposition by teachers in which the theoretical program of the subject will be developed.
Laboratory practice	Students will conduct mandatory laboratory practices, which will be in group. The student will be introduced in the use of different techniques of analysis and study of microorganisms. In addition, microbiological analysis for different practical cases will be proposed and scientific criticism should be exercised.
Seminar	Works in small groups in which the results previously obtained in the laboratory practices will be presented in a reasoned manner.
Case study	Work in small groups where it will be proposed with at least one practical case in which he will reasonably indicate the actions to be taken from the point of view of a microbiologist, to meet the demand required in this case.



Mixed objective/subjective test	Test written in which the degree of knowledge and understanding achieved by the students in all aspects included in the subject will be assessed.
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Personalized attention	
Methodologies	Description
Seminar Guest lecture / keynote speech Laboratory practice Case study	During the development of the subject, requirements and queries of the students regarding the subject will be addressed by providing the necessary guidance and support, both in person as non-presential. Within the personalized attention you can include mentoring requested by the student for the preparation of examinations, as well as the subsequent revision of the same, and the preparation of seminars and case studies.

Assessment			
Methodologies	Competencies / Results	Description	Qualification
Seminar	A26 A27 B1 B2 B4 B5 B7 B10 B11 C3	Evaluation of the tasks carried out during the seminars. It will be required by the students the results that have been obtained in the performing of laboratory practices.	15
Guest lecture / keynote speech	A1 A14 A15 A21 A25 A29 B12 C6 C8	Assessed through the mixed test.	0
Laboratory practice	A2 A9 A11 A13 A26 A30 A31 B6	Mandatory attendance and evaluation of student work during the development of practices. In mixed test, questions directly related to practical issues will be also proposed.	15
Mixed objective/subjective test	B3 B8 C1	Test written about the knowledge acquired in the keynote sessions, the laboratory practices and in the seminars.	50
Case study	B2 B5 B8	The student must resolve and present in group a practical case that will be proposed.	20

Assessment comments
<p>To pass the course, in any of the diets to which the student may go, the student must have obtained a 2,5 points out of 5 in the "mixed test", performing all tasks that are considered mandatory, and obtain a minimum score of 2.5 points on a maximum 5. To account for the final grade in the value obtained in sections of seminars, practical and case study, the student must have passed the mixed test, corresponding to the theory of the subject.</p> <p>In order to be evaluated, students must attend to practical sessions. In the case of not passing the subject in a first option, in the second option, the student must pass only the part that was not passed.</p> <p>For a student to be considered "NOT PRESENT", he must have the following requirements: not site the examination (the mixed-test) and not attend half of the practice sessions.</p> <p>If the number of "with Honours" that may be granted is exhausted in the first option, none will be granted in the second option, even though the maximum note is obtained. Exceptionally, the teacher should take appropriate actions in order to not prejudice her/his evaluation in case a student is not able to take all the continuous evaluation examinations, for justified reasons (part-time students or specific learning and diversity support circumstances).</p>

Sources of information

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