Schedule of Lectures and Exams

Mon 08/24  Lect. #1  The History of an Absurd Idea and early post-germ theory successes (KS)
Wed 08/26  Lect. #2  Bacterial A & P (KS)
Mon 08/31  Lect. #3  The Host (KS)
Wed 09/02  Lect. #4  The Microbiome: Biological and Medical issues (KS)
Mon 09/07  LABOR DAY
Wed 09/09  Lect. #5  Virulence Factors: Mechanisms (KS)
Mon 09/14  Lect. #6  Virulence Factors: Their dispersal (KS)
Wed 09/16  Lect. #7  The Fast & The Furious (acute disease): Vibrio cholerae (KS)
Mon 09/21  Lect. #8  The Very Quiet (chronic disease): Helicobacter (KS)
Wed 09/23  Lect. #8 (continued)
Mon 09/28  EXAM I (Lectures #1-8)
Wed 09/30  Lect. #9  An Emerging Pathogen: Yersinia pestis (KS)
Mon 10/05  Lect. #10  Intracellular Pathogens I: Salmonella (KS)
Wed 10/07  Lect. #11  Intracellular Pathogens II: Listeria (KS)
Mon 10/12  Lect. #12  It’s Always the Potato Salad: Infectious Disease Epidemiology (WS)
Wed 10/14  Lect. #13  Blame the Parents: Genetic Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases (WS)
Mon 10/19  Lect. #14  Discovery Research (KS)
Wed 10/21  Lect. #15  Antibiotics and Resistance (KS)
Mon 10/26  Lect. #16  Mycobacterium (KS)
Wed 10/28  Lect. #17  Of Microbes and Microbiomes (DM)
Mon 11/02  EXAM II (Lectures #9-17)
Wed 11/04  Lect. #18  TB and HIV I (CM)
Mon 11/09  Lect. #19  TB and HIV II (CM)
Wed 11/11  Lect. #20  Insect-transmitted Pathogens: Rickettsia (GP)
Mon 11/16  Lect. #21  Pathogenic E. coli (GM)
Wed 11/18  Lect. #22  Gram-Positive Pathogens (SSB)
Mon 11/30  Lect. #23  Adaptable Bugs: The Pseudomonads (KS)
Wed 12/02  Lect. #24  Pathogens and the CNS (KS)
Mon 12/07  Lect. #25  3 STDs (KS)

Wed  Finals Week: EXAM III (½ Lectures #1-17; ½ Lectures #18-25)

Grading

You will be evaluated by your performance on five components: 2 exams, a paper, a lecture critique assignment, and an indeterminate number of in-class ‘pop’ quizzes. Course grade will be based on the top 2 (out of 3) exam scores (200 points total), the paper (100 points), the critique (50 points), and the quizzes (50 points total). If all three exams are taken, and if the lowest score, which will not be used to compute the grade, is, however, greater than 58 (D), then the final calculated grade will be raised one level (e.g., B+ to A-, B- to B, etc.). A missed exam will automatically count as the ‘drop’ exam.

No make-up exams will be given.
Etch 9/28, 11/02, and 12/14 (@ 2 pm) in stone!
See ‘Exam Disclaimer’ and last’s years exams posted in ‘course documents’

Translating Numerical Grades into Letter Grades

A+ ≥ 98, A ≥ 94, A- ≥ 90
B+ ≥ 86, B ≥ 82, B- ≥ 78
C+ ≥ 74, C ≥ 70, C- ≥ 66
D+ ≥ 62, D ≥ 58, D- ≥ 54, F < 54
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