Course Assessment Report Washtenaw Community College

| Discipline | Course Number | Title |
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| Biology | 147 | BIO 147 04/10/2023- <br> Hospital Microbiology |
| College | Division | Department |
|  | Math, Science and <br> Engineering Tech | Life Sciences |
| Faculty Preparer |  | Emily Thompson Ph.D. |
| Date of Last Filed Assessment Report | $09 / 11 / 2019$ |  |

## I. Review previous assessment reports submitted for this course and provide the following information.

1. Was this course previously assessed and if so, when?
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Yes
2019
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2. Briefly describe the results of previous assessment report(s).

Approximately 50 students were assessed for five outcomes. Seventy percent or more of students correctly answered each question for the five outcomes. In summary, success was met for all five outcomes.
3. Briefly describe the Action Plan/Intended Changes from the previous report(s), when and how changes were implemented.

It was recommended for the Action Plan/Intended Changes for instructors to emphasize teaching on temperate phages and autoclaves because students were not quite meeting the goal on individual questions regarding these topics.

One of the instructors redesigned the course as an excellent, interesting online course. These factors were included in the redesigned course.

## II. Assessment Results per Student Learning Outcome

Outcome 1: Identify major characteristics of diverse microbes.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams or other evaluations, such as case studies.
- Assessment Date: Fall 2021
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70\% or more of the students will correctly answer each question.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty

1. Indicate the Semester(s) and year(s) assessment data were collected for this report.

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| 2022 |  |  |

2. Provide assessment sample size data in the table below.

| \# of students enrolled | \# of students assessed |
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| 52 | 46 |

3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

For some questions, there were 46 students tested, and for other questions, fewer students. This reflects the reality of students not turning in assignments or dropping the course as the semester progressed.
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

The two sections were taught by one part-time instructor, who redesigned the course as an online course and who taught it in Fall of 2022.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

Question types included short answer, fill-in-the-blank, and multiple-choice on Quizzes and Exams. The questions were graded by the instructor, then the results were tabulated and analyzed.
$70 \%$ or more correct attempts on the questions selected for the outcome was determined to meet the level of success.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

## Met Standard of Success: Yes

The first outcome was for students to identify major characteristics of diverse microbes. Three questions were used to assess this outcome and $73.9 \%$ of the attempts for the three questions of the outcome were correct. However, the distribution was such that most students mastered the first two questions ( $91 \%$ and $98 \%$, respectively), while only $49 \%$ mastered the third question.
7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

To summarize, there was an overall score of $73.9 \%$ on the questions for Outcome 1 , which indicates success for this outcome. This was an area of strength in student achievement for this course.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

To summarize, $73.9 \%$ of the attempts for en the questions for Outcome 1, which indicates success for this outcome.

I recommend, however, revising instruction on cell structure especially with regards to cell walls because $23 / 45$ students missed the question.

Outcome 2: Identify the major innate and adaptive defenses of the human body against microbial pathogens.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams or other evaluations, such as case studies.
- Assessment Date: Fall 2021
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70\% or more of the students will correctly answer each question.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty

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| 52 | 46 |

3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

For some questions, there were 46 students tested, and for other questions, fewer students. This reflects the reality of students not turning in assignments or dropping the course as the semester progressed.
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

The two sections were taught by one part-time instructor, who redesigned the course as an online course and who taught it in Fall of 2022.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

The second outcome was for students to identify the major innate and adaptive defenses against microbial pathogens. A worksheet on 3 videos with about 56 fill-in-the-blank questions and 11 short answer questions was assessed for this outcome. The questions were graded by the instructor and then the results were tabulated and analyzed.

When $70 \%$ of students achieved an overall score of $70 \%$ or higher on the assignment selected for the outcome, this was determined to meet the level of success.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this
learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

Met Standard of Success: Yes
Of the 45 students completing the assignment, 42 ( $93.3 \%$ ) completed this with satisfactory progress. This met the definition of success for the Outcome.
7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

Of the 45 students completing the assignment, 42 (93.3\%) completed this with satisfactory progress. This met the definition of success for the Outcome and was an area of strength in student achievement for the course.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

No plans are needed for improvement at this time.

Outcome 3: Identify the appropriate use of antimicrobics.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams or other evaluations, such as case studies.
- Assessment Date: Fall 2021
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70\% or more of the students will correctly answer each question.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty

1. Indicate the Semester(s) and year(s) assessment data were collected for this report.

| Fall (indicate years below) | Winter (indicate years <br> below) | SP/SU (indicate years <br> below) |
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2. Provide assessment sample size data in the table below.
\# of students enrolled $\quad$ \# of students assessed

| 52 | 46 |
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3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

For some questions, there were 46 students tested, and for other questions, fewer students. This reflects the reality of students not turning in assignments or dropping the course as the semester progressed.
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

The two sections were taught by one part-time instructor, who redesigned the course as an online course and who taught it in Fall of 2022.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

The third outcome was for students to identify the appropriate use of antimicrobics. Three questions were used to assess this outcome.
$70 \%$ or more correct attempts on the questions selected for the outcome was determined to meet the level of success.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

## Met Standard of Success: Yes

Three questions were used to assess this outcome and $73.5 \%$ of the total attempts were correct. More than $70 \%$ of students scored two of the questions correctly. Overall, the standard was met for the outcome.
7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

To summarize the result, the overall number of correct attempts was $73.5 \%$. This learning outcome was an area of strength in student achievement for the course.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

I do recommend additional coverage of the similarities and difference between antibiotics, antimicrobials, and chemotherapeutics to help student learn how to answer questions on these topics. Perhaps addition of a sentence or two on the Blackboard page near the relevant video would help.

Outcome 4: Identify various modes of disease transmission.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams or other evaluations, such as case studies.
- Assessment Date: Fall 2021
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70\% or more of the students will correctly answer each question.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty

1. Indicate the Semester(s) and year(s) assessment data were collected for this report.

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3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

For some questions, there were 46 students tested, and for other questions, fewer students. This reflects the reality of students not turning in assignments or dropping the course as the semester progressed.
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

The two sections were taught by one part-time instructor, who redesigned the course as an online course and who taught it in Fall of 2022.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

The fourth outcome was for students to identify various modes of disease transmission. Question types for this outcome included answers to Case Studies, which the students were excited about! The questions were graded by the instructor, then the results were tabulated and analyzed.
$70 \%$ or more correct attempts on the questions selected for the outcome was determined to meet the level of success.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

## Met Standard of Success: Yes

Three questions were used to assess this outcome. $90 \%$ of the attempts on the questions for this outcome were correct. More than $70 \%$ of students scored each question correctly.
7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

Three questions were used to assess this outcome. $90 \%$ of attempts were correct. This learning outcome was therefore an area of strength in student achievement for the course.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

There are no plans for improvement of instruction for this learning outcome.

Outcome 5: Identify how people limit the spread of infectious agents.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams or other evaluations, such as case studies.
- Assessment Date: Fall 2021
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70\% or more of the students will correctly answer each question.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty

1. Indicate the Semester(s) and year(s) assessment data were collected for this report.

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2. Provide assessment sample size data in the table below.

| \# of students enrolled | \# of students assessed |
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| 52 | 46 |

3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

For some questions, there were 46 students tested, and for other questions, fewer students. This reflects the reality of students not turning in assignments or dropping the course as the semester progressed.
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

The two sections were taught by one part-time instructor, who redesigned the course as an online course and who taught it in Fall of 2022.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

The fifth outcome was for students to identify how people limit the spread of infectious agents. The instructor states that this was covered in lecture videos but was not assessed. The instructor further states that assessment questions will be added in the future.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this
learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

## Met Standard of Success: No <br> This outcome was not assessed.

7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

The instructor states that this topic was covered in lecture videos but was not assessed. Therefore, there were no strengths in student achievement for this outcome.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

The instructor states that assessment questions will be added in the future.

## III. Course Summary and Intended Changes Based on Assessment Results

1. Based on the previous report's Intended Change(s) identified in Section I above, please discuss how effective the changes were in improving student learning.

The last Assessment report from 2019 recommended a review of the teaching about temperate phages and autoclaves. These recommendations were passed on to the Faculty who teach the course. They learned about how to use Exam analytics to assess student achievement.
2. Describe your overall impression of how this course is meeting the needs of students. Did the assessment process bring to light anything about student achievement of learning outcomes that surprised you?

We were not initially aware that there was a learning outcome (the fifth one) that was not being assessed.
3. Describe when and how this information, including the action plan, was or will be shared with Departmental Faculty.

The Faculty member who teaches the course has already reviewed the report (attached) and has already indicated they are working on assessment questions for the fifth Outcome.
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Intended Change(s)

| Intended Change | Description of the change | Rationale | Implementation Date |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assessment Tool | We intend to add a quiz to the existing section on limiting spread of infectious agents (Outcome 5). | The information is already in the course, we just need to add the assessment in the form of a quiz. | 2023 |
| Course Materials (e.g. textbooks, handouts, on-line ancillaries) | 1. Revise instruction on cell structure (especially cell walls) (Outcome 1). <br> 2. Add material (and perhaps details near the relevant Blackboard video) covering the similarities and differences between antibiotics, antimicrobials, and chemotherapeutics (Outcome 3). <br> 3. Add assessment material to assess Outcome 5. | The current assessment demonstrated these areas as weaknesses in student learning. | 2023 |

5. Is there anything that you would like to mention that was not already captured?

No, thanks!

## III. Attached Files

BIO147 Assessment Questions
Plan BIO147 to Add Assessment Questions Outcome 5
BIO 147 Assessment Results
Assessment Report for BIO 147
Faculty/Preparer: Emily Thompson Ph.D. Date: 04/21/2023
Department Chair:
Susan Dentel
Date: 05/06/2023
Dean:
Tracy Schwab
Date: 05/08/2023
Assessment Committee Chair: Jessica Hale
Date: 07/21/2023

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| Division | Department | Faculty Preparer |
| Math, Science and <br> Engineering Tech | Life Sciences | Emily Thompson Ph.D. |
| Date of Last Filed Assessment Report |  |  |

I. Review previous assessment reports submitted for this course and provide the following information.

1. Was this course previously assessed and if so, when?

Yes
Winter 2013
2. Briefly describe the results of previous assessment report(s).

Student success in Hospital Microbiology was determined to be satisfactory for all five outcomes for Winter 2013. The average percent of student mastery for the outcomes $1-5$, in order, was $72 \%, 75 \%, 81 \%, 89 \%$ and $84 \%$. This was above the level of mastery desired, which was $70 \%$ or better for each outcome.
3. Briefly describe the Action Plan/Intended Changes from the previous report(s), when and how changes were implemented.

Because student success was determined to be satisfactory, there were no Intended Changes suggested or implemented.

## II. Assessment Results per Student Learning Outcome

Outcome 1: Identify major characteristics of diverse microbes.

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- Number students to be assessed: All
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2. Provide assessment sample size data in the table below.

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| 50 | 47 |

3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

All attending students were assessed (3 students stopped attending at this point in the two sections).
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

All attending students in both sections were assessed. One section was held during the day and one at night.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

For the assessment, answers to four questions on regular exams and quizzes were blind-scored (with names blacked out). Counts of correct and incorrect answers were then tabulated.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

Met Standard of Success: Yes

## Outcome 1

The first outcome was for students to identify major characteristics of diverse microbes. Four questions were used to assess this outcome, and over $70 \%$ of students met the goal for each question and for all four questions together. See Table 1 for results.

Table 1: Outcome 1
Major characteristics of diverse microbes

| Topic | Incorrect | Correct |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Opportunistic pathogen | 9 | $38(81 \%)$ |
| Bacteriophage | 2 | $45(96 \%)$ |
| Temperate phage | 12 (all in one section) | $35(74 \%)$ |
| Mycoses | 2 | $45(96 \%)$ |
| Result (47 students) |  | Outcome met (average <br> $87 \%$ overall) |

7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

The first outcome was for students to identify major characteristics of diverse microbes. Four questions were used to assess this outcome, and over $70 \%$ of students met the goal for each question and for all four questions together.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

The students met the level of success required. For continuous improvement, however, I recommend in one section to revise instruction on temperate phages because 12 of 26 students in that section missed the definition.

While working with these two wonderful instructors, it was apparent that they are master teachers. When students overwhelmingly miss a specific concept, the instructors go over the material again or allow students to write corrections so they can learn the material.

Outcome 2: Identify the major innate and adaptive defenses of the human body against microbial pathogens.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams.
- Assessment Date: Winter 2013
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: For each outcome, an average of $70 \%$ of the questions will be answered correctly.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty.

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All attending students were assessed (3 stopped attending at this point in the two sections).
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All attending students in both sections were assessed. One section was held during the day and one at night.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

For the assessment, answers to five questions on regular exams and quizzes were blind-scored (with names blacked out) for both sections. Counts of correct and incorrect answers were then tabulated.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

## Met Standard of Success: Yes

## Outcome 2

The second outcome was for students to identify the major innate and adaptive defenses against microbial pathogens. Five questions were used to assess this outcome, and over $70 \%$ of students met the goal for each question and for all five questions together. See Table 2 for results.

Table 2: Outcome 2:

Identify the major innate and adaptive defenses against microbial pathogens

| Topic | Incorrect | Correct |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Skin as non-specific <br> defense | 0 | $45(100 \%)$ |
| Interferon | 4 | $41(91 \%)$ |
| Inflammation | 8 | $37(82 \%)$ |
| Phagocytosis | 7 | $38(84 \%)$ |
| Secondary immune <br> response | 5 | $40(89 \%)$ |
| Result (45 students) |  | Outcome was met <br> (average 89\% overall). |

7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

The second outcome was for students to identify the major innate and adaptive defenses against microbial pathogens. Five questions were used to assess this outcome, and over $70 \%$ of students met the goal for each question and for all five questions together.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

[^0]Outcome 3: Identify the appropriate use of antimicrobics.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams.
- Assessment Date: Winter 2013
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: For each outcome, an average of $70 \%$ of the questions will be answered correctly.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty.

1. Indicate the Semester(s) and year(s) assessment data were collected for this report.

| Fall (indicate years below) | Winter (indicate years <br> below) | SP/SU (indicate years <br> below) |
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| 50 | 47 |

3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

All attending students were assessed ( 3 students stopped attending at this point in the two sections).
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

All attending students in both sections were assessed. One section was held during the day and one at night.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

For the assessment, answers to four questions on regular exams and quizzes were blind-scored (with names blacked out). Counts of correct and incorrect answers were then tabulated.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

## Met Standard of Success: Yes

Outcome 3
The third outcome was for students to identify the appropriate use of antimicrobics. Four questions were used to assess this outcome, and over $70 \%$ of students met the goal for each question and for all four questions together. See Table 3 for results.

Table 3 Outcome 3
Identify the appropriate use of antimicrobics

| Topic | Incorrect | Correct |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Antibiotic | 14 | $33(70 \%)$ |
| Bacteriocidal | 7 | $40(85 \%)$ |
| Broad spectrum | 2 | $45(96 \%)$ |
| Bacteriostatic | 12 | $35(74 \%)$ |
| Result (47 students) |  | Outcome was met <br> (average 78\% overall). |

7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

The third outcome was for students to identify the appropriate use of antimicrobics. Four questions were used to assess this outcome, and over $70 \%$ of students met the goal for each question and for all four questions together.
8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

None needed.

Outcome 4: Identify various modes of disease transmission.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams.
- Assessment Date: Winter 2013
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: For each outcome, an average of $70 \%$ of the questions will be answered correctly.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty.

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2. Provide assessment sample size data in the table below.

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| :--- | :--- |
| 50 | 44 |

3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

All attending students were assessed (6 students stopped attending at this point in the two sections).
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

All attending students in both sections were assessed. One section was held during the day and one at night.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

For the assessment, answers to six questions on regular exams and quizzes were blind-scored (with names blacked out). Counts of correct and incorrect answers were then tabulated.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

Met Standard of Success: Yes

## Outcome 4

The fourth outcome was for students to identify various modes of disease transmission. Six questions were used to assess this outcome, and over $70 \%$ of students met the goal for each question and for all six questions together. See Table 4 for results.

Note this outcome was assessed with exciting case studies! The instructors were using student-centered learning when assessing this question.

Table 4 Outcome 4
Modes of Disease Transmission

| Topic | Incorrect | Correct |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Lyme Disease | 8 | $36(82 \%)$ |
| Strep throat | 4 | $40(91 \%)$ |
| Genital Herpes | 1 | $43(98 \%)$ |
| Gas Gangrene | 4 | $40(91 \%)$ |
| Hemorrhagic E. coli | 5 | $39(89 \%)$ |
| Measles | 7 | $37(84 \%)$ |
| Result (44 students) |  | Outcome was met <br> (average 89\% overall). |

7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

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8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

None needed.

Outcome 5: Identify how people limit the spread of infectious agents.

- Assessment Plan
- Assessment Tool: Item analysis of selected objective questions on unit and/or final exams.
- Assessment Date: Winter 2013
- Course section(s)/other population: All
- Number students to be assessed: All
- How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric
- Standard of success to be used for this assessment: For each outcome, an average of $70 \%$ of the questions will be answered correctly.
- Who will score and analyze the data: Biology department faculty.

1. Indicate the Semester(s) and year(s) assessment data were collected for this report.

| Fall (indicate years below) | Winter (indicate years <br> below) | SP/SU (indicate years <br> below) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2018 |  |  |

2. Provide assessment sample size data in the table below.

| \# of students enrolled | \# of students assessed |
| :--- | :--- |
| 50 | 47 |

3. If the number of students assessed differs from the number of students enrolled, please explain why all enrolled students were not assessed, e.g. absence, withdrawal, or did not complete activity.

All attending students were assessed (3 students stopped attending at this point in the two sections).
4. Describe how students from all populations (day students on campus, DL, MM, evening, extension center sites, etc.) were included in the assessment based on your selection criteria.

All attending students in both sections were assessed. One section was held during the day and one at night.
5. Describe the process used to assess this outcome. Include a brief description of this tool and how it was scored.

For the assessment, answers to four questions on regular exams and quizzes were blind-scored (with names blacked out). Counts of correct and incorrect answers were then tabulated.
6. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected for this outcome and tool during the course assessment. Discuss the extent to which students achieved this learning outcome and indicate whether the standard of success was met for this outcome and tool.

## Met Standard of Success: Yes

## Outcome 5

The fifth outcome was for students to identify how people limit the spread of infectious agents. Four questions were used to assess this outcome, and over 70\% of students met the goal for questions 1-3 and for all four questions together. See Table 5 for results.

Table 5: Outcome 5
Identify how people limit the spread of infectious agents

|  | Incorrect | Correct |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sterile | 1 | $46(98 \%)$ |
| Disinfectant | 1 | $46(98 \%)$ |
| Antiseptic | 1 | $46(98 \%)$ |
| Chemical and physical <br> methods | 18 (17 in one section <br> did not know to classify <br> an autoclave as a <br> physical means of <br> sterilizing materials) | $29(62 \%)$ |
| Result (47 students) |  | Outcome was met <br> (89\% average overall). |

1. For each term give a short clear definition (additional terms present):

Sterile

Matching (additional terms present):

## Antiseptics-reduces microbes on human tissues

Disinfectants- reduces microbes on surfaces
Chlorine is an example of a $\qquad$ (chemical) method of sterilization whereas the $\qquad$ (autoclave) is an example of a physical method. (This question was only tested in one of the two sections.)
7. Based on your interpretation of the assessment results, describe the areas of strength in student achievement of this learning outcome.

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8. Based on your analysis of student performance, discuss the areas in which student achievement of this learning outcome could be improved. If student met standard of success, you may wish to identify your plans for continuous improvement.

Student success was met for this outcome. For continuous improvement, however, I would recommend that the instructor of one section re-teach information about autoclaves in order to ensure students have learned this material.

While working with these two wonderful instructors, it was apparent that they are master teachers. When students overwhelmingly miss a specific concept, the instructors go over the material again or allow students to write corrections so they can learn the material.

## III. Course Summary and Intended Changes Based on Assessment Results

1. Based on the previous report's Intended Change(s) identified in Section I above, please discuss how effective the changes were in improving student learning.

There were no intended changes in the previous report.
2. Describe your overall impression of how this course is meeting the needs of students. Did the assessment process bring to light anything about student achievement of learning outcomes that surprised you?

The course is meeting the needs of the students. It is offered in the day and evening, and the instructors are very responsive to student learning. They even worked up exciting case studies to make the learning interesting and exciting to students!
3. Describe when and how this information, including the action plan, was or will be shared with Departmental Faculty.

I will send the report to the Department Chair and the faculty who teach the course.
4.

Intended Change(s)

| Intended Change | Description of the <br> change | Rationale | Implementation <br> Date |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

No changes intended.
5. Is there anything that you would like to mention that was not already captured?

No, thanks!

## III. Attached Files

Faculty/Preparer: Emily Thompson Ph.D. Date: 06/10/2019
Department Chair:
Anne Heise
Date: 06/11/2019
Dean:
Kimberly Jones
Date: 07/25/2019
Assessment Committee Chair: Shawn Deron
Date: 09/10/2019

## Course Assessment Report

## I. Background Information

1. Course assessed:

Course Discipline Code and Number: BIO 147
Course Title: Hospital Microbiology
Division/Department Codes: MBNS/LIF
2. Semester assessment was conducted (check one):

X Fall 2009
Winter 20
Spring/Summer 20
3. Assessment tool(s) used: check all that apply.Portfolio
$\square$ Standardized test
$\square$ Other external certification/licensure exam (specify):
$\square$ Survey
$\square$ Prompt
$\square$ Departmental exam
$\square$ Capstone experience (specify):
X Other (specify): analysis of answers on course exams
4. Have these tools been used before?
$\square$ Yes
X No.
If yes, have the tools been altered since its last administration? If so, briefly describe changes made.
5. Indicate the number of students assessed/total number of students enrolled in the course.

The number of students in BIO 147 in the Fall of 2009 included 26 students initially enrolled in section A1, 23 in section 2, and 19 in section H . We assessed student mastery in the course for all 68 students.
6. Describe how students were selected for the assessment.

Answers on exams from all students in all three sections from the Fall of 2009 were analyzed.

## II. Results

1. Briefly describe the changes that were implemented in the course as a result of the previous assessment.

No changes were made.
2. List each outcome that was assessed for this report exactly as it is stated on the course master syllabus.
"Outcome 1. Identify characteristics of diverse microbes.
Outcome 2. Identify the major innate and adaptive defenses of the human body against microbial pathogens.
Outcome 3. Identify the appropriate use of antimicrobics.
Outcome 4. Identify modes of disease transmission.
Outcome 5. Identify how people limit the spread of infectious agents."
3. Briefly describe assessment results based on data collected during the course assessment, demonstrating the extent to which students are achieving each of the learning outcomes listed above. Please attach a summary of the data collected.

Student success in Hospital Microbiology was determined to be satisfactory for all five outcomes (see attached).
4. For each outcome assessed, indicate the standard of success used, and the percentage of students who achieved that level of success. Please attach the rubric/scoring guide used for the assessment.

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The average percent of student mastery for the outcomes, in order, was $72 \%, 75 \%, 81 \%, 89 \%$ and $84 \%$ (see attached).
5. Describe the areas of strength and weakness in students' achievement of the learning outcomes shown in assessment results.

Strengths: The average percent of student mastery for each of the five outcomes was above the standard of success (70\%) suggested in the master syllabus.

Weaknesses:
III. Changes influenced by assessment results

1. If weaknesses were found (see above) or students did not meet expectations, describe the action that will be taken to address these weaknesses.

None noted.
2. Identify intended changes that will be instituted based on results of this assessment activity (check all that apply). Please describe changes and give rationale for change.
a. $\square$ Outcomes/Assessments on the Master Syllabus Change/rationale:
b. $\square$ Objectives/Evaluation on the Master Syllabus Change/rationale:
c.Course pre-requisites on the Master Syllabus Change/rationale:
d.
$\square 1^{\text {st }}$ Day Handouts Change/rationale:
e.Course assignments Change/rationale:
f. $\square$ Course materials (check all that apply)Textbook Handouts Other:
g.Instructional methods Change/rationale:
h.Individual lessons \& activities Change/rationale:
3. What is the timeline for implementing these actions?

## IV. Future plans

1. Describe the extent to which the assessment tools used were effective in measuring student achievement of learning outcomes for this course.

We believe the assessment tools were effective in measuring student achievement in BIO147. Where possible, when questions had a low mastery, the instructor gave an extra credit quiz to allow students an additional opportunity to learn the material and show mastery.
2. If the assessment tools were not effective, describe the changes that will be made for future assessments.

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3. Which outcomes from the master syllabus have been addressed in this report?

All_X_Selected
If "All", provide the report date for the next full review: $\qquad$ fall 2012

If "Selected", provide the report date for remaining outcomes: $\qquad$ -

Submitted by:

Print:_Emily Thompson, Ph.D_ Faculty/Preparer
Print: $\qquad$ Department Chair
Print: $\qquad$ Dean/Administrator

Signature
 Date: $\frac{7 / 21 / 2012}{5 / 21 / 10}$
Date: $\frac{7 / 2 / 21 / 10}{7 / 2}$


[^0]:    None needed.

