

**Biological Sciences**

**Outline and Overview**

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**Second Year of Chemical Engineering**

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# Prerequisite

There are no formal prerequisites for this course, but we do presuppose high school-level biology and chemistry (especially familiarity with the fundamental aspects of chemical structure).

# Exam Grading

- **Continuous assessment (CA) - 30 %**  
Quiz, assignments, presentations
- **1 mid-term exam – 30 %**
- **1 Final exam (cumulative) – 40 %**

# Reading

1. Essential Cell Biology by Bruce Alberts, Dennis Bray, Karen Hopkin, Alexander Johnson, Julian Lewis, Martin Raff, Keith Roberts, and Peter Walter
2. Lehninger Biochemistry
3. Microbiology by Purohit

# Course Overview

**Cell Structure and Function :** Prokaryote, eukaryote, archaeobacteria, extremophiles, Structure and function of Microbial (bacteria, yeast, fungi, algae, virus), Plant and Animal cells and cellular organelles. Mitochondria, chloroplasts, cell membrane, cell wall, sub-cellular fractionation, Cell division-Mitosis, Meiosis

**Biological Macromolecules :** structure and function of Carbohydrates, Proteins, Nucleic Acids and Lipids Importance of stereo specificity of biological molecules

**Microbiology:** Microbial growth kinetics, growth of virus/phages, Microbial growth media, Approaches for sterilization and pasteurization

**Biochemistry:** metabolism  $\approx$  anabolism / catabolism, Primary and secondary metabolism, Central metabolic pathways (glycolysis, citric acid cycle, gluconeogenesis), Interconversion of metabolites, Regulation of metabolic pathways, Bioenergetics Photosynthesis, Bioinorganic chemistry-trace metals

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**Enzymology: Structure  $\leftrightarrow$  function relations of enzymes; Classification, inhibition and regulation Enzyme purification and characterization, Coenzymes**

**Genetics: Nucleic acid metabolism (DNA RNA synthesis) and protein synthesis, Mendelian genetics, Bacterial genetics (transformation, transduction, conjugation), Induction/repression, Mutation**

**Thank you**

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**Course Details**

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