

Module Catalogue for the Master Degree Program Microbiology (M.Sc.)

Faculty of Biological Sciences

List of abbreviations: cp credit point(s), L Lecture, S Seminar, E Exercise, P Practical course, EX Excursion, SoS Summer Semester, WS Winter Semester, hpw hours per week, Mc Module coordinator

Module descriptions

Module number	MMB001
Module name	Introduction into Microbiology
Module coordinator	Krause
Admission requirements	none
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Basic module
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	2 semesters
Module composition/ Forms of	E exercise to microbiology, block in the first week of
instruction (lecture, seminar,	lecture (2 hpw)
exercise, practical course)	S Microbial Communication Colloquium, during 2
	semesters bi-weekly (2 hpw)
	S Scientific Methods (1 hpw)
Credit points (ECTS credits)	6
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 75
 self-study (incl. examination 	- 105
preparation)	
Contents	Organized by 3rd semester students, the exercise introduces techniques in microbiology to level different entrance levels among the study course. The seminar will introduce the subjects of BSc theses of the participants to show the width of microbiology. In self-study phylogeny, physiology and molecular biology are studied for the three domains of live. The "Microbial Communication Colloquium" introduces modern scientific subjects and methods in microbiology.
Learning and qualification objectives	Basic methods in microbiology like media preparation, plating, pipetting (E) are trained and an overview on current subjects in microbiology (S) are studied. Regular participation in the practical exercise, the seminar and the colloquium are required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the module examination	Seminar contribution (passed)
Requirements for the award of credit points (forms of examination, weighting of grades in %)	Oral examination on basic microbiology at the end of the 2nd semester (100 %)

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Module number	MMB002
Module name	Microbial Physiology
Module coordinator	N.N.
Admission requirements	none
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Basic module
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	Practical course, block 4 weeks half-day; V 2 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	8
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 105
 self-study (incl. examination 	- 135
preparation)	
Contents	The lecture contains selected energy metabolism
	pathways in bacteria and archaea with specific impact
	of ecological impacts. In the course, the fermentation
	metabolism is characterized including chemical and
	physical analytic techniques. The results of the course
	are summarized in a protocol.
Learning and qualification objectives	An overview on selected energy metabolic pathways
	and element cycles (L), growth and cell fractioning,
	analytical and molecular biology methods,
	characterization of proteins and mutants (P). Regular
	participation in the practical course is required to reach
	the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff
	will inform about further details at the beginning of the
	courses.
Admission requirements for the	Seminar talk in the practical course (passed)
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB003
Module name	Microbial Communication
Module coordinator	Kothe
Admission requirements	None
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Basic module
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	Practical course, block 4 weeks half-day; V 2 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	8 cp
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 105
 self-study (incl. examination 	- 135
preparation)	
Contents	Basic microbiology and molecular biology techniques (including -omics technologies) are introduced and investigation of secondary metabolites is shown. Specific impact is on strategies for interactions with the environment, between microorganisms and of microbes with their plant host (P). Examples include secondary metabolite production or molecular mechanisms in bacteria and fungi (L).
Learning and qualification objectives	Knowledge and skills in microbiology (P); presentation of results in the form of publications as basis for the Master thesis; knowledge in molecular interactions (L). Regular participation in the practical course is required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	Seminar talk in the practical course (passed)
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit points (forms of examination, weighting of grades in %)	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)

Module number	MMB004
Module name	Microbial Interactions
Module coordinator	N.N.
Admission requirements	None
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory, compulsory elective module)	Compulsory module: Basic module
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise, practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	8
Workload in hours: - in class and - self-study (incl. examination preparation)	- 105 - 135
Contents	Methods in microbiology and molecular biology for the analysis of microbial communities and microbiomes as well as the analysis of interactions are given (P). Examples for symbiotic, parasitic and commensal interactions are introduced (L).
Learning and qualification objectives	Knowledge and skills in microbiology (P); presentation of results in the form of an extended protocol; knowledge in molecular interactions (L). Regular participation in the practical course is required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the module examination	Seminar talk in the practical course (passed)
Requirements for the award of credit points (forms of examination, weighting of grades in %)	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)

Module number	MMB005
Module name	Microbiology and Molecular Biology
Module coordinator	Brakhage
Admission requirements	None
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization
,	module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Basic module
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	Practical course 5 hpw, blocked; L 2 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	8
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 105
- self-study (incl. examination	- 135
preparation)	
Contents	The module contains basic methods in molecular
	biology and microbiology. A focus is on production of
	genetically modified fungi and bacteria (P). Different
	transformation strategies are presented and mutants characterized on a molecular level. The capacity of
	microorganisms to form secondary metabolites is
	presented (L).
Learning and qualification objectives	Knowledge and skills in molecular microbiology (P);
Learning and qualification objectives	presentation of scientific publications; molecular
	biology of microorganisms (L). Regular participation in
	the practical course is required to reach the study
	objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform
	about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	Seminar talk in the practical course (passed)
module examination	. , , , ,
Requirements for the award of credit	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB006
Module name	Adaptation in Microorganisms
Module coordinator	N.N.
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization
	module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P 5 hpw, blocked, 4 weeks half-day; L 2 hpw; S 1 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	10
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 120
- self-study (incl. examination	- 180
preparation)	
Contents	Bacteria and fungi are grown and specific adaptation
	are shown. Different strategies for microbial
	metabolism in distinct niches and the theoretical
	requirements for adaptation are central subjects. The
	practical course employs specific methods. The
	seminar gives insight into actual original research
	papers on microbiology subjects.
Learning and qualification objectives	Theoretical basics (L) and methods for adaptation are
	learned (P), original papers and techniques (S) are
	presented. Regular participation in the practical course
	is required to reach the study objectives of the module.
	The teaching staff will inform about further details at
Administra requirements for the	the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	Seminar talk (passed)
module examination	Dueto col to the propertical accuracy (400 g/)
Requirements for the award of credit	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB007
Module name	Molecular Communication in Basidiomycetes
Module coordinator	Kothe
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization
	module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P 5 hpw, blocked, 4 weeks half-day; L 2 hpw; S 1 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	(alternatively as E); Excursion
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	10
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 120
preparation)	- 180
Contents	The lecture introduces higher fungi of the group of
	dikarya; alternatively the subjects can be prepared in a
	home work (L or E). The research focussed practical
	course is directed at approaches, which can be used
	for a master's thesis in each part of microbiology (P).
	Molecular mechanisms of cell biology and
	fundamentals of communication in fungi are treated, e.
	g. the phenotypic characterization of transformants
	which overexpress mutant proteins of intracellular
	signal transduction. Methods of gene identification and
	database analysis are trained.
Learning and qualification objectives	Overview and detailed knowledge on the phylogeny
	and systematics/taxonomy (L); cell biology and
	molecular genetics of eukaryotes (P) and focussing on
	research topics (S) are trained. Regular participation in
	the practical course is required to reach the study
	objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform
	about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	Seminar talk (passed)
module examination	Drestand to the prosting accurate (400.0%)
	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB008
Module name	Microbial Consortia
Module coordinator	N.N.
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P 5 hpw, blocked, 4 weeks half-day; L 2 hpw; S 1 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	10
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 120
preparation)	- 180
Contents	The interrelationships in microbial consortia are
	introduced and mechanisms of cross-talk introduced
	(L, S). Analyses using DNA-dependent and cultivation
	strategies are trained and microbiome analyses shown
	(P).
Learning and qualification objectives	Preparation of complex subjects (L) with new literature
	(S); microbiome analyses (P). Regular participation in
	the practical course is required to reach the study
	objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform
Adminstra naminana ata fantha	about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	Seminar talk (passed)
module examination	Dueto col to the processor course (400 %)
Requirements for the award of credit	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB009
Module name	Molecular Infection Biology of lower Eukaryotes
Module coordinator	Brakhage
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P 5 hpw, blocked, 4 weeks half-day; L 2 hpw; S 1 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	10
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 120
preparation)	- 180
Contents	Molecular biology (gene regulation, signal transduction, genomics) of eukaryotic microorganisms; biotechnology of the production of proteins, antibiotics, amino acids; combinatorial biosynthesis, secondary metabolism. Transcriptome and proteome analysis.
Learning and qualification objectives	Overview and deepened knowledge of molecular biology (L), genomics and biotechnology of fungi (P). Regular participation in the practical course is required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the module examination	none
Requirements for the award of credit points (forms of examination, weighting of grades in %)	Written exam to L (70 %), Protocols to P (30 %)

Module number	MMB010
Module name	Biotechnology - Bioelectrochemistry
Module coordinator	Rosenbaum
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	Practical course 2 hpw, blocked, 2 weeks half-day; L
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	2 hpw,
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 60
preparation)	- 90
Contents	Electricity generating bacteria? Microorganisms convert
	electric currents and carbon dioxide into chemicals?
	Electron transfer through isolating cell walls? After giving
	the basics for biotechnology and engineering, those and
	other applications of bioelectrochemistry are introduced.
	A focus is put on knowledge concerning the basic
	microbial processes. In a project, potential applications
	for bioelectochemical systems are developed by the
	students and practically implemented.
Learning and qualification objectives	Basics in bioelectrochemistry on enzymatic and microbial
	processes (L), physiology of bacteria as biocatalytic
	actors at electrodes, technical application (P). Regular
	participation in the practical course is required to reach
	the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will
	inform about further details at the beginning of the
	courses.
Admission requirements for the	Application proposal (passed)
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB011
Module name	Molecular und Microbial Infection Biology
Module coordinator	Hube
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	Practical course 2 hpw, blocked, usually 1 week full-
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	day; L 2 hpw
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
 self-study (incl. examination 	- 60
preparation)	- 90
Contents	Molecular biology, microbiology and infection biology of human-pathogenic bacteria, parasites and fungi. General principles are compared in more depth discussed with examples. In the practical course, molecular biology for the investigation of human-pathogenic yeasts of the genus <i>Candida</i> are presented and applied with a focus on gene expression of virulence factors and host-pathogen interaction combined with mutant mutation and characterization in pathogenic fungi.
Learning and qualification objectives	Overview and deepened knowledge of molecular biology / microbiology / infection biology of human pathogenic fungi (P, S). Regular participation in the practical course is required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the module examination	none
Requirements for the award of credit points (forms of examination, weighting of grades in %)	Written exam (60 %), Seminar talk, experimental work and protocols in P (40 %)

Module number	MMB012
Module name	Immune reactions of humans to
	Microorganisms and Pathogens
Module coordinator	Zipfel
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	L 2 hpw, P 2 hpw, blocked, 1 week full-day
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 60
preparation)	- 90
Contents	Immune reactions of humans against microorganisms
	and pathogens, immune evasion of pathogens and
	microorganisms, genetic susceptibility for infections,
	methods in immune and infection biology
Learning and qualification objectives	Overview and deepened knowledge of immune biology
	(L), molecular biology, infection biology (P). Regular
	participation in the practical course is required to reach
	the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will
	inform about further details at the beginning of the
	courses.
Admission requirements for the	None
module examination	(70.00)
	Written exam (70 %), protocols or talk in P (30 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB013
Module name	Biomolecular Chemistry
Module coordinator	Hertweck
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	L 2 SWS, P 2 SWS, blocked, usually 1 week full-day
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 60
preparation)	- 90
	the preceding lecture on natural product chemistry of
	BSc Biochemistry is strongly advised
Contents	Biology and chemistry of natural compounds from
	microorganisms, structures of natural compounds,
	biosyntheses, screening methods, chemical analysis
	and molecular biological analysis of biosynthesis genes. Knowledge of the lecture in winter semester is required
	(can be accepted alternatively)
Learning and qualification objectives	Overview (L) and deepened knowledge (P) of the
Learning and qualification objectives	biology and chemistry of natural compounds from
	microorganisms. Regular participation in the practical
	course is required to reach the study objectives of the
	module. The teaching staff will inform about further
	details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	None
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit	Oral or written exam (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB014
Module name	Geomicrobiology
Module coordinator	Küsel
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	2 semesters (!)
Module composition/ Forms of	L 2 hpw (in winter semester), P 2 hpw, blocked,
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	, and the second
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 60
preparation)	- 90
Contents	The module deals with the importance of microbial
	processes in aquatic habitats. The lecture will give an
	overview about the origin of life on early Earth, the
	evolution of metabolic diversity and the interaction of
	microbes with minerals. We will also highlight the
	importance of recently discovered processes like
	anaerobic methane oxidation or annamox in marine
	and freshwater ecosystems. In the seminar and
	practical course, specific microbial processes in an
	aquatic habitat will be studied with biogeochemical
	methods in the field and molecular analyses. A lecture
	during winter semester provides necessary knowledge.
Learning and qualification objectives	Importance of microorganisms for element cycles
	during 4 billions of years (P); overview of the current
	research (S). Regular participation in the practical
	course is required to reach the study objectives of the
	module. The teaching staff will inform about further
	details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	None
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit	Written exam (50%), protocol (50%)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB015
Module name	Biomolecular Chemistry
Module coordinator	Boland
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory, compulsory elective module)	Compulsory module: Elective
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise, practical course)	S 2 SWS; P 2 SWS, blocked
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and - self-study (incl. examination preparation)	- 60 - 90
Contents	Introduction into ecological and evolutionary theory of interactions, molecular mechanisms of evolution, levels of selection, individuality, and the evolution of cooperation. The evolution of sex and life-histories.
Learning and qualification objectives	A basic understanding of fundamental (chemical) ecological and evolutionary principles and concepts with a particular focus on microorganisms (P). Participants will practice to introduce a complex topic (S). Regular participation in the practical course is required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the module examination	None
Requirements for the award of credit points (forms of examination, weighting of grades in %)	Protocol to P (100%)

Module number	MMB016
Module name	Translational Medical Microbiology
Module coordinator	Jacobsen
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	L 2 SWS; P 2 SWS, blocked
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 60
preparation)	- 90
Contents	The lecture introduces medical microbiology focusing
	on applied aspects. Central is the work with human
	materials for research in infection biology.
Learning and qualification objectives	Methods in translational medical microbiology, legal
	framework for working with pathogens and protective
	measures (S), detection of pathogens, analysis of
	pathogen-host interaction with cell biology methods,
	detection of antibodies and antigen specific T-cell
	response (P). Regular participation in the practical
	course is required to reach the study objectives of the
	module. The teaching staff will inform about further
Admission requirements for the	details at the beginning of the courses. Prepared subject presentation in P (passed)
module examination	r repared subject presentation in r (passed)
	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	
weighting of grades III 70)	

Module number	MMB017
Module name	Microbe-Plant Interactions
Module coordinator	Kothe
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P 2 hpw, blocked, 2 weeks half-day, S 2 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 60
preparation)	- 90
Contents	Plant- microbe associations are introduced with fungi
	and bacteria of phytopathogenic, symbiotic or
	endophytic nature. The methods involve basics for the
	Master thesis in microbiology. Molecular mechanisms
	of cell biology and basics in communication are given.
	Phenotypical characterization of transformants and the
	basics of bioinformatic analyses including gene
	identification and databank as well as expression
	analyses are provided.
Learning and qualification objectives	Understanding plant-microbe interactions in nature,
	Koch's postulates and preparing new subjects with
	original literature (P). Data analysis and presentation
	skills (S). Regular participation in the practical course
	is required to reach the study objectives of the module.
	The teaching staff will inform about further details at
Admission requirements for the	the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the module examination	Seminar talk (passed)
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Requirements for the award of credit	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB018
Module name	Microbial Metabolism
Module coordinator	N.N.
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
	P 2 hpw, blocked, 2 weeks half-day, S or L 2 hpw
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
	5
Workload in hours: - in class and	
- self-study (incl. examination	- 60
preparation)	- 90
	Aerobic and anaerobic metabolism, bacteria and fungi,
	specific strategies for evolutionary adaptation and host
	interactions
	A protocol is prepared scientifically discussed (P) and
	new literature selected and presented (S). Regular
	participation in the practical course is required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff
	will inform about further details at the beginning of the
	courses.
	Prepared subject presentation in P (passed)
module examination	, repaired subject properties in the (passed)
	Protocol to the practical course (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	,,
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB019
Module name	Wild card
Module coordinator	Professors of Microbiology
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization
	module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P/S/E/L
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	5 or 10
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 60/120
- self-study (incl. examination	- 90/180
preparation)	
Contents	Different events offered for students can be combined
	with 4 or 8 hpw and after a mandatory consultation
	heard as an extra module. The subjects must clearly
	pertain to one topic and complement the
	microbiological subjects of the master program.
Learning and qualification objectives	To be agreed
Admission requirements for the	To be agreed
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit	To be agreed (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

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Module number	MMB700
Module name	Specialization module
Module coordinator	Professors of Microbiology
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization
	module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P/S/E/L
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	15
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 300
- self-study (incl. examination	- 150
preparation)	
Contents	In the module, a research area is selected and the
	technical preparation of the Master thesis is
	performed. The tutorial research work contains
	elaboration of literature data and experimental lab
	work on a special topic of microbiology, that is part of
	the current research work of the institution offering the
	module. It also includes that the students are learning
	good scientific practise, critical literature survey, or
	working legis arte in microbiology. The students
	repeat the essentials by teaching first semester
	students under the observation of the course leader in
	module 001 "Introduction into Microbiology".
Learning and qualification objectives	Microbiology techniques; orientation on research
	subject. The learned technical skills and scientific
	practices are applied to a first teaching experience
	and in a scientific subject. Therefore, teaching first
	semester students in the first week of studies with a
	practical course is part of this module. Regular
	participation in the practical course and the seminar is
	required to reach the study objectives of the module.
	The teaching staff will inform about further details at
	the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	None
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit	Outline and time table for Master thesis (passed)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB800
Module name	Project module
Module coordinator	Professors of Microbiology
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P/S/E/L
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	15
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 300 h
- self-study (incl. examination	- 150 h
preparation)	
Contents	The module serves as preparation for the Master thesis
	by carrying out research within a current research
	project. It is expected, that the project module is
	completed at the institution where the Master thesis is
	planned.
Learning and qualification objectives	Preparing and independently carrying out research
	projects; orientation to research topics; integrative sight
	on microbiological topics. Regular participation in the
	working group seminar is required to reach the study
	objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform
	about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the	None
module examination	
Requirements for the award of credit	Scientific presentation (100 %)
points (forms of examination,	
weighting of grades in %)	

Module number	MMB900
Module name	Master thesis
Module coordinator	Professors of Microbiology
Admission requirements	1 Basic module
Usability (required for)	Advanced modules, Project and Specialization module
Type of module (compulsory,	Compulsory module: Elective
compulsory elective module)	
Frequency of offer (module cycle)	Yearly
Duration of module	1 semester
Module composition/ Forms of	P/S/E/L
instruction (lecture, seminar, exercise,	
practical course)	
Credit points (ECTS credits)	30
Workload in hours: - in class and	- 700 h
- self-study (incl. examination	- 200 h
preparation)	
Contents	The Master thesis demonstrates that the student is able to solve a problem in the field of microbiology within 6 months independently with scientific methods. The subject of the Master thesis is supervised by one of the module coordinators and must be cleared with him or her. Great importance is attached to carefully collecting, evaluating and interpreting data. The module trains the independent writing of a scientific paper and leads to self-dependent scientific work.
Learning and qualification objectives	Independent development and evaluation of an experiment as well as writing a scientific paper. Regular participation in the working group seminar is required to reach the study objectives of the module. The teaching staff will inform about further details at the beginning of the courses.
Admission requirements for the module examination	None
Requirements for the award of credit points (forms of examination, weighting of grades in %)	Master thesis (100 %)