



## COURSE DESCRIPTION CARD - SYLLABUS

Course name

Biology and Biochemistry

### Course

Field of study

Environmental Engineering

Area of study (specialization)

Water Supply, Water Soil Protection

Level of study

Second-cycle studies

Form of study

part-time

Year/Semester

1 / 1

Profile of study

general academic

Course offered in

Polish

Requirements

compulsory

### Number of hours

Lecture

10

Tutorials

Laboratory classes

18

Projects/seminars

Other (e.g. online)

### Number of credit points

3

### Lecturers

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Responsible for the course/lecturer:



### Prerequisites

1. Knowledge:

Basic knowledge of the biology.

2. Skills:

The ability to use literature and self-education, making observations, drawing conclusions, working in a group.

3. Social competencies:

Is aware of the need to learn, able to work in a group.

### Course objective

- To familiarize students with the use of microorganisms in the production processes of water and wastewater treatment. To acquaint students with the metabolism of organisms and their role in the circulation of matter and energy.

### Course-related learning outcomes

#### Knowledge

1. The student has expanded and in-depth knowledge of environmental biology and biochemistry useful for formulating and solving complex tasks in the field of environmental engineering - [KIS2\_W01]
2. The student has ordered, theoretically founded general knowledge covering environmental biology and technical microbiology - [KIS2\_W03]
3. The student has theoretically grounded detailed knowledge related to: - biological wastewater treatment processes, - microbiological methods of environmental control, - with the principles of testing the biological composition of sewage - [KIS2\_W04]

#### Skills

1. The student is able to plan and carry out experiments, including measurements in the field of: systems for research and control processes, including biochemical and microbiological at various stages of wastewater treatment and water production - [KIS2\_U03]
2. The student is able to use analytical and experimental methods to formulate and solve engineering tasks and simple research problems in the field of environmental engineering - [KIS2\_U04]

#### Social competences

1. The student is aware of the non-technical aspects and effects of engineering activities, including its impact on the environment - [KIS2\_K01]
2. The student is aware of the responsibility for making decisions - [KIS2\_K03]



### Methods for verifying learning outcomes and assessment criteria

Learning outcomes presented above are verified as follows:

At the time of the examination session takes place written test covering the issues discussed in lectures and laboratory exercises. The condition of the credit of the lectures is to have credit for laboratory exercises.

Throughout the semester, students are consulted (1.5 h / wk.).

- Examination of the material from the lectures in the session, and the amendment shall be in writing.

Obtaining credits of lectures (20-25 questions, max. 20-25 pts.). For each answer you get from 0 to 1 point. Approximately 50% of the maximum points must be obtained. Detailed information on scoring and rating scale are given before crediting.

### Programme content

Place Biology biochemistry in Environmental Engineering; Characteristics of the metabolism of organisms; assimilation and dissimilation processes; organisms feeding grounds; autotrophs and heterotrophs.

Nutrition - a source of energy. Photo- and chemotrophy; Photosynthesis in bacteria; Chemosynthesis and its role in environmental engineering (nitrification bacteria ferruginous, manganese, sulfur, hydrogen).

Breathing as the energy process. The role of ATP as an energy carrier. Types of breathing. Aerobic respiration, anaerobic fermentations; stages function. Denitrification, ammonification, sulphate reduction and carbonates. Alcoholic fermentation, butyric, lactic, propionic.

Circuit matter and energy. Circulation of matter in the environment; Carbon cycle; circulation of nitrogen, phosphorus, sulfur and water; The role of microorganisms in the circuit elements.

Chemical components of organisms. Water and its role in organisms. Proteins, fats, carbohydrates - construction, distribution, function.

Biocatalysts: structure and function of enzymes, the mechanism of action of enzymes, enzyme classification. Biological treatment of wastewater. Treatment methods. Sludge - sediment parameters working well. Microorganisms present in the sediment and their role in the treatment of wastewater. The swelling (swelling sludge). The role of activated sludge aeration chamber.

### Teaching methods

Learning methods: information lecture, lecture with multimedia presentation, problem lecture. Laboratories - practical classes.

### Bibliography



Basic

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2. Nicklin J., Graeme-Cook K., Paget T., Killington R.A. Mikrobiologia - krótkie wykłady. PWN, 2000.
3. Zaremba M.L., Borowski J. Mikrobiologia lekarska. PZWL, 2001.

**Breakdown of average student's workload**

	Hours	ECTS
Total workload	75	3,0
Classes requiring direct contact with the teacher	28	1,0
Student's own work (literature studies, preparation for laboratory classes, preparation for tests) <sup>1</sup>	47	2,0

<sup>1</sup> delete or add other activities as appropriate