Course number		U-LAS70 10002 SE50											
Course title (and course title in English)	I Dacteria and Virilses し放土初の世春へよう				n	ame	uctor's e, job title, lepartment iliation	Graduate School of Medicine Associate Professor,KIM MINSOO					
Group	Semina	eminars in Liberal Arts and Sciences Num					er of credits	2	Number weekly time blo	1			
Class style seminar (Face-to-face course)		Year/semeste		's	2025 • First semester			Quota (Freshman		12 (12)			
Target year	· Maiı	Mainly 1st year students Eligible studen			nts	For all majors				ys and riods Fri.5		5	
Classroom	3C, Yoshida-South Campus Academic Center Bldg. North Wing Language of instruction English												
Keyword	Virology-related / Bacteriology-related / Infectious disease medicine-related / Immunology-related / Vaccine												

[Overview and purpose of the course]

The human body has over 10 trillion cells, but it has 10 times that number of microbial cells living in and on our body. These microbes are therefore an important part of our body. Some commensal bacteria are beneficial to our health whereas new viruses and bacteria that continue to emerge and reemerge may result in unpredictable life-threatening epidemics. To overcome such infectious diseases, we need a better understanding of the molecular mechanisms of host-microbe interactions so as to develop new concepts for antibiotics or vaccines.

This course focuses on the basics of microbiology, immunology, and environmental microbes. Particular emphasis is placed on understanding viruses, bacteria, the interaction between microorganisms and host cells, and the identification of microorganisms in our environment. During the course, students will actively participate in discussions and in the exchange of ideas.

[Course objectives]

To identify and understand the major microbes that impact our lives.

To understand the infection phenomenon.

To enhance your critical thinking skills and effectively discuss scientific topics.

[Course schedule and contents)]

- 1. Introducing the invisible world
- 2. What is a microbe?
- 3. The basics of bacteria
- 4. Microbiota and human health
- 5. Soil bacteria and the environment
- 6. Identification of bacteria (field work 1)
- 7. Identification of bacteria (field work 2)
- 8. Diversity of viruses
- 9. Viruses and Cancer
- 10. Zoonotic viruses
- 11. Viruses in our environment
- 12. Recognition of microbes

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13. Battle against microbes
14. Life with or without microbes
15. Student presentation 16. Feedback
[Course requirements]
None
[Evaluation methods and policy]
Evaluation will be based on class attendance and participation (60%), and final presentation (40%).
[Textbooks]
授業中に「プリント配付」する。
[References, etc.]
(References, etc.) Introduced during class
[Study outside of class (preparation and review)]
To achieve the course goals students review the course handouts.
[Other information (office hours, etc.)]
Please feel free to come to my office at any time. Please take out the accident insurance of Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Ed. & Rsch. as needed. Field work: In the Kyoto University campus. We look for microorganisms on campus.