Practical Component for Level II BIOCHEM, GENETICS and MICRO Courses

Read this page if you are enrolling in any of the following courses in 2018:

- BIOCHEM 2500 Biochemistry II: Molecular and Cell Biology
- BIOCHEM 2502 Biochem II (Biotech): Molecular and Cell Biology
- BIOCHEM 2501 Biochemistry II: Metabolism
- BIOCHEM 2503 Biochemistry II (Biotechnology): Metabolism
- GENETICS 2510 Genetics IIA: Foundation of Genetics
- GENETICS 2520 Genetics IIB: Function and Diversity of Genomes
- MICRO 2500 Microbiology II
- MICRO 2504 Microbiology II (Biotechnology)
- MICRO 2501 Immunology & Virology II
- MICRO 2505 Immunology & Virology II (Biotechnology)

These courses are the source courses for MBS Practicals A, B and C (also known as the MBS pracs).

What are MBS Practical A, MBS Practical B and MBS Practical C?
The MBS practicals are the pracs for all of the courses listed above. The MBS pracs aim to equip students with the best possible foundation in molecular biological methodology. The emphasis is on achieving a solid “practical experience” in the common themes that are essential in the modern practice of each of the disciplines of BIOCHEM, GENETICS and MICRO.

For enrolment and timetabling, these practicals are listed separately:

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Which pracs do I enrol in?

- First enrol in your BIOCHEM, GENETICS and/or MICRO courses
- Your prac workload in a semester is equal to the number of source courses you do that semester
- If you enrol in any one but only one source course in a semester, then enrol in Prac A only for that semester
- If you enrol in any two source courses in a semester, then for that semester you enrol in both Prac A and Prac B
- If you enrol in all three source courses in a semester, then you must enrol in Prac A, Prac B and Prac C
- Note that each prac is for only 4-5 weeks of the semester – see timetable for details.

What if I’m repeating a source course?

- You might be able to use your original prac component mark for this year’s prac component mark (i.e. rather than repeating the prac). You must apply to your course coordinator for exemption from repeating the prac.

What if I passed a different source course last year?

- Enrol in the appropriate practical series that you have not already done (e.g. Prac C for that semester if you have already done Prac A and Prac B)

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