

Biology (Pre-Optometry Concentration) Degree Planning Guide



Students must complete a minimum of 42 credits under the BIOL or SUST prefix to earn a degree. Students must complete all core classes (22-27 credits) and six courses from at least **three** of the upper level baskets (3 must be 300 level or higher with a minimum of 18 credits): Students choosing an emphasis shall select **4 courses from one basket and 2 courses from at least two** of the other baskets.

In order to graduate 128 credit hours must be completed. Last 30 credit hours must be completed in residency.

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SUGGESTED COURSES FOR PRE-OPTOMETRY CONCENTRATION

BIOL 101/102 OR 115,
CHEM 320 and BIOL 316,
ECON 202, PSYC 101

Calculus and Calculus-based Physics required

BIOLOGY CORE REQUIREMENTS: 22 - 27 CREDITS

BIOL 117 General Biology I (4)
BIOL 260 General Genetics (4) @
SCI 498-Advanced Topics (2) S or BIOL
401 Research 1 (3) @ or SUST 499 (3) for
Sustainability conc or BIOL 499 (3) for
Applied Microbiology conc. or MLS conc.

BIOL 118 General Biology II (4)
BIOL 270 Evolution (4) S #
BIOL 115 - Intro to Human Anatomy and
Physiology (4)

OR

BIOL 101 and BIOL 102 (8) - Anatomy and
Physiology 1 and 2
(101) and S (102)

UPPER LEVEL BASKETS: MINIMUM 18 CREDITS

Sustainability & Environmental Stewardship

SUST 101: Intro to Sustainability (3)
SUST 201: Environmental Science and Health (3)
SUST 150: Sustainability Exploration
Seminar (3) S
SUST 310: Climate Science (3)
SUST 350: Sustainability Expedition S
SUST 375: Strategies in Sustainability (3) F

Ecology

BIOL 216 Plants & People (4) S *
BIOL 231 Conservation Biology (3)F*@
BIOL 314 Botany (4) S* ^
BIOL 352 General Ecology (4) F* \$ or ^
BIOL 381 Ornithology (4) S* ^
BIOL 304 Zoology (3) F* #

Molecular & Microbiology

BIOL 316 General Microbiology (4) #
BIOL 351 Cell Biology (4) #
BIOL 390 Biotechnology (4) F # BIOL
391 Molecular Genetics (4) S* \$ BIOL
416 Microbial Genetics (4) F*& BIOL
418 Applied Microbiology (4) S*&

Anatomy & Physiology

BIOL 220 Exercise Science (3) @*
BIOL 303 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy (4)
F* ^
BIOL 350 Intro to Human Anatomy (4) S* (*) or >
BIOL 354 Immunology (3) *&
BIOL 394 Advanced Physiology (3) F @ or >
BIOL 395 Pathophysiology (3) S !*

NON-BIOLOGY SCIENCE AND MATH REQUIREMENTS: MINIMUM 30 CREDITS

MATH 151 Calculus I (4) F (recommended) OR
MATH 125 College Algebra & Trigonometry (3)
F/S

CHEM 103 General Chemistry I (4)
CHEM 104 General Chemistry II (4)
CHEM 203 Organic Chemistry I (4)
CHEM 204 Organic Chemistry II (4)

MATH 141 Elementary Stats (3)
F/S OR MATH 420 (3) Statistics for Sci Research
OR PSYC 341 Understanding Statistical
Inference

PHYS 153 Calculus-Based Physics I (4) F
(recommended) OR PHYS 103 Gen. Physics I
(4) F
PHYS 154 Calculus-Based Physics II (4) S
(recommended) OR PHYS 104 Gen. Physics II
(4) S

GENERAL EDUCATION: 33 CREDITS

I. Skills/Processes for Literacy (3 courses)

A. INTD 101 University Seminar
B. ENGL 101 Composition: Theme Writing
C. ENGL 104 Composition: The Essay

II. Humanities (5 courses)

A. Fine Arts (1 course): Art Music, Performance
B. Literature/Language (1 course): ENGL or
Foreign Language
C. Philosophy (1 course)
D. Humanities Electives (2 courses)
1. HUM 101/301 or HIST 131
2. One additional elective from ENGL, The
Arts/Aesthetics, Foreign Language, HUM,
PHIL, REL

III. Social Science (3 courses)

A. American History or Government
B. Social Science Electives (2 courses from
ECON, HIST, PSCI, PSYC, SOC)

IV. Natural Science/Quantitative Reasoning (met through major)

V. General Education Electives (2 courses): From the College of Arts and Sciences

ALTERNATE COURSE OFFERINGS

Fall Even Years: Conservation Biology,
Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy

Fall Odd Years: Ecology, Zoology, Physical
Chemistry 1, Microbial Genetics

Spring Even Years: Pathophys, Ex Science,
Plants and People, Ornithology Physical
Chemistry 2, Inorganic Chemistry, Applied
Microbiology

Spring Odd Years: Intro to Gross, Molecular
Genetics, Botany

PREREQUISITES F=Fall S=Spring
@=117/118, # =260 > = 101/102
& = 316 \$ = 270 != 394 (*) = 115

COREQUISITES

^ = 270 a = 394