



# Biology

The Biology program grants several majors, including Biology, B.S.; Biology, B.A.; Aquatic Biology, B.S.; Life Science Specialty, Science Education, B.S.; and Clinical Laboratory Science, B.S. In addition, students may choose from several emphases within the Biology major, including Wildlife Management, Medical Sciences, and Cellular and Molecular Biology. From field to laboratory studies, the Biology program offers diverse opportunities for personal and professional study and growth.

## Programs

- Aquatic Biology, B.S. (Aquatic Systems Emphasis) *major*
- Aquatic Biology, B.S. (Wetlands Ecology Emphasis) *major*
- Aquatic Biology, B.S. (Fisheries Biology Emphasis) *major*
- Biology, B.A. *major*
- Biology, B.S. (Cellular and Molecular Emphasis (Optional)) *major*
- Biology, B.S. (Medical Sciences Emphasis (Optional)) *major*
- Biology, B.S. *major*
- Medical Laboratory Science, B.S. ((3 + 1 Option)) *major*
- Medical Laboratory Science, B.S. ((4 + 1 Option)) *major*
- Science Education, B.S. (Life Science Specialty (Teacher Licensure)) *major*
- Wildlife Biology, B.S. *major*
- Biology *minor*
- Wetlands Ecology *minor*

## Career Directions

- Agricultural Sales
- Allied Health Professions
- Aquatic Biology
- Biotechnology
- Clinical Laboratory Sciences
- Consultant
- Education
- Field Biology
- Fisheries Biology
- Food Sciences
- Government Service
- Industry
- Invertebrate Zoology
- Laboratory Biology
- Medical Professions
- Microbiology
- Natural History
- Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Products Sales
- Research
- Science and Technical Writing
- Wetlands Science
- Wildlife Sciences
- Also: Graduate Study

## Preparation

### Recommended High School Courses

- Algebra
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Precalculus
- Trigonometry

## Aquatic Biology, B.S. *major* Aquatic Systems Emphasis

Required Credits: 75  
Required GPA: 2.25

### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

### II REQUIRED AQUATIC BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3361 Limnology (4 credits)

- BIOL 3362 Stream and River Ecology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3554 Readings in Aquatic Biology (1 credit)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)
- CHEM 3150 Standard Methods of Water Analysis (3 credits)  
*or* GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)

### III CAPSTONE PROJECT

**CAPSTONE PROJECT** The Aquatic Biology capstone project, completed in the senior year, provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of capstone projects may include original research projects or internships with state and federal agencies. The capstone project must be designed or chosen by the student in consultation with a faculty mentor or advisor, who must approve the project before work begins. Students should consult with their faculty mentor or advisor before their senior year commences. All capstone projects will include a written and oral component. Specific capstone requirements vary by field of emphasis. Refer to requirements as listed

in specific emphases.

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 4898 Fisheries Research I (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 4898 Fisheries Research I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4899 Fisheries Research II (2 credits)

### AQUATIC SYSTEMS EMPHASIS

#### REQUIRED CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 3850 Marine Biology (3 credits)

#### ELECTIVE CORE COURSES

SELECT A MINIMUM OF 9 CREDITS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

- BIOL 3310 Entomology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3420 Human Dimensions of Wildlife and Fisheries Management (3 credits)
- BIOL 3610 Principles of Wildlife Management (3 credits)
- BIOL 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)  
or GEOG 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3723 Ecosystem Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 4620 Evolution (3 credits)
- GEOG 3232 Intermediate Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)

#### ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES

SELECT AN ADDITIONAL 3-4 CREDITS OF BIOLOGY ELECTIVES AT THE 3000 LEVEL OR ABOVE.

### V REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)  
or PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)

### SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR AQUATIC BIOLOGY MAJOR, B.S., AQUATIC SYSTEMS EMPHASIS

The following is a list of required Aquatic Biology Major, B.S., Aquatic Systems Emphasis courses arranged by year. This schedule is intended to assist students in planning their courses. There is some flexibility in this schedule, but graduation within four years will require close adherence to the specified sequence of courses. Always consult your academic advisor in Aquatic Biology as to the proper courses and sequence of courses needed for graduation.

Note: With proper student planning and in consultation with the Aquatic Biology academic advisor a student may complete his or her academic degree in 120 semester credits. It is possible, in some circumstances, that courses in a student's Liberal Education program may be used in his or her academic major.

#### Freshman

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112  
or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- Liberal Education Requirements

#### Sophomore

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)  
or PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)  
or PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)
- Liberal Education Requirements

#### Junior

- BIOL 3361 Limnology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3362 Stream and River Ecology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3554 Readings in Aquatic Biology (1 credit)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- CHEM 3150 Standard Methods of Water Analysis (3 credits)  
or GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)
- Elective courses in field of emphasis
- Complete Liberal Education Requirements

#### Senior

- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- Capstone Project
- Elective courses in field of emphasis

### Aquatic Biology, B.S. major Wetlands Ecology Emphasis

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Required Credits: 75

Required GPA: 2.25

#### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

## II REQUIRED AQUATIC BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3361 Limnology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3362 Stream and River Ecology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3554 Readings in Aquatic Biology (1 credit)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)
- CHEM 3150 Standard Methods of Water Analysis (3 credits)  
*or* GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)

## III CAPSTONE PROJECT

**CAPSTONE PROJECT** The Aquatic Biology capstone project, completed in the senior year, provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of capstone projects may include original research projects or internships with state and federal agencies. The capstone project must be designed or chosen by the student in consultation with a faculty mentor or advisor, who must approve the project before work begins. Students should consult with their faculty mentor or advisor before their senior year commences. All capstone projects will include a written and oral component. Specific capstone requirements vary by field of emphasis. Refer to requirements as listed in specific emphases. **CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING FIVE OPTIONS:**

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 4898 Fisheries Research I (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 4898 Fisheries Research I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4899 Fisheries Research II (2 credits)

## WETLANDS ECOLOGY EMPHASIS

REQUIRED CORE COURSES:

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits)  
*or* ENVR 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3844 Wetlands Ecology Lab (1 credit)
- BIOL 4030 Wetland Delineation and Classification (3 credits)
- BIOL 4031 Advanced Wetland Delineation (2 credits)

ELECTIVE CORE COURSES

SELECT A MINIMUM OF 6 CREDITS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

- BIOL 3120 Soils (4 credits)  
*or* GEOL 3120 Soils (4 credits)
- BIOL 3420 Human Dimensions of Wildlife and Fisheries Management (3 credits)  
*or* ENVR 4210 Environmental Law and Policy (3 credits)
- BIOL 3610 Principles of Wildlife Management (3 credits)
- BIOL 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)  
*or* GEOG 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3723 Ecosystem Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3850 Marine Biology (3 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- GEOG 3232 Intermediate Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)

## V REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
*or* CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
*or* CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)  
*or* PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)

## SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR AQUATIC BIOLOGY MAJOR, B.S., WETLANDS EMPHASIS

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Freshman

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
*or* CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
*or* CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- Liberal Education requirements

Sophomore

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)  
*or* PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)  
*or* PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)
- Liberal Education requirements

Junior

- BIOL 3361 Limnology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3362 Stream and River Ecology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3554 Readings in Aquatic Biology (1 credit)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4030 Wetland Delineation and Classification (3 credits)
- CHEM 3150 Standard Methods of Water Analysis (3 credits)  
or GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)
- Complete Liberal Education requirements
- Elective courses in field of emphasis

#### Senior

- BIOL 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits)  
or ENVR 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3844 Wetlands Ecology Lab (1 credit)
- BIOL 4031 Advanced Wetland Delineation (2 credits)
- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- Capstone Project
- Elective courses in field of emphasis

## Aquatic Biology, B.S. *major* Fisheries Biology Emphasis

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Special Note: Students seeking fisheries certification through the American Fisheries Society are encouraged to carefully select their Liberal Education courses to include 9 credits from courses related to composition, technical writing and/or verbal communications.

Required Credits: 76

Required GPA: 2.25

### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

### II REQUIRED AQUATIC BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3361 Limnology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3362 Stream and River Ecology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3554 Readings in Aquatic Biology (1 credit)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)
- CHEM 3150 Standard Methods of Water Analysis (3 credits)  
or GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)

### III CAPSTONE PROJECT

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consult with their faculty mentor or advisor before their senior year commences. All capstone projects will include a written and oral component. Specific capstone requirements vary by field of emphasis. Refer to requirements as listed in specific emphases.

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 4898 Fisheries Research I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4899 Fisheries Research II (2 credits)

### FISHERIES BIOLOGY EMPHASIS

REQUIRED CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:

- BIOL 4545 Fisheries Management (4 credits)

ELECTIVE CORE COURSES

SELECT A MINIMUM OF 6 CREDITS FROM THE FOLLOWING:

- BIOL 2339 Ethics of Fish and Wildlife Management (3 credits)
- BIOL 3420 Human Dimensions of Wildlife and Fisheries Management (3 credits)
- ENVR 3040 Environmental Economics (3 credits)  
or ECON 3040 Environmental Economics (3 credits)
- ENVR 4210 Environmental Law and Policy (3 credits)

### V REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)

SELECT 2 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- MATH 2471 Calculus I (5 credits)
- PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)
- PSY 4403 Advanced Statistics and Research Design (4 credits)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)

### SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR AQUATIC BIOLOGY MAJOR, B.S., FISHERIES BIOLOGY EMPHASIS

#### Freshman

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- Liberal Education Requirements

#### Sophomore

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)

- or PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- Complete 2 of the Following
  - MATH 2471 Calculus I (5 credits)
  - PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)
  - PSY 4403 Advanced Statistics and Research Design (4 credits)
  - STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)
- Liberal Education Requirements

#### Junior

- BIOL 3361 Limnology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3362 Stream and River Ecology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3554 Readings in Aquatic Biology (1 credit)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)
- CHEM 3150 Standard Methods of Water Analysis (3 credits)  
or GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)
- Elective courses in field of emphasis
- Complete Liberal Education Requirements

#### Senior

- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4545 Fisheries Management (4 credits)
- BIOL 4898 Fisheries Research I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4899 Fisheries Research II (2 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- Elective courses in field of emphasis

### **Biology, B.A. *major***

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Required Credits: 40  
Required GPA: 2.25

#### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

#### II REQUIRED BIOLOGY ELECTIVES

##### SUBORGANISMAL

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3260 Medical Physiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3590 Cell Biology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3720 Plant Form and Function (4 credits)
- BIOL 3755 Medical Microbiology (3 credits)
- BIOL 4270 Histology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4360 Developmental and Tumor Biology (4 credits)

##### ORGANISMAL

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)
- BIOL 3250 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy (4 credits)
- BIOL 3310 Entomology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)

- BIOL 3730 Plant Diversity (4 credits)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4510 Ornithology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4520 Mammalogy (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)

#### III REQUIRED BIOLOGY ELECTIVES

SELECT 15-18 SEMESTER CREDIT ELECTIVES FROM BIOLOGY COURSES (EXCEPT 1000-LEVEL BIOL CLASSES AND BIOL 2925) TO ACHIEVE A MINIMUM OF 40 SEMESTER CREDITS IN BIOL COURSES. THESE ELECTIVES CAN ALSO INCLUDE ONE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS:

- CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)  
and CHEM 4471 Biochemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- ENVR 4400 Environmental Microbiology (3 credits)
- ENVR 4500 Environmental Toxicology (4 credits)

### **Biology, B.S. *major***

### **Cellular and Molecular Emphasis (Optional)**

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Required Credits: 71  
Required GPA: 2.25

#### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

#### II REQUIRED CELLULAR AND MOLECULAR EMPHASIS CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3590 Cell Biology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)

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Required capstone project courses (4 credits)

- BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)

and BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

#### IV REQUIRED CELLULAR AND MOLECULAR EMPHASIS ELECTIVES

SELECT 8 SEMESTER CREDITS FROM THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3260 Medical Physiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3755 Medical Microbiology (3 credits)
- BIOL 4270 Histology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4360 Developmental and Tumor Biology (4 credits)
- CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 4471 Biochemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)

#### V REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS

A. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

*GROUP 1:*

- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)

*GROUP 2:*

- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)

B. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)
- PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

C. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

*GROUP 1:*

- PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- PHYS 2102 Physics II (5 credits)

*GROUP 2:*

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 1102 General Physics II (4 credits)

D. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING 4 COURSES:

- CHEM 3311 Organic Chemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 3312 Organic Chemistry II (3 credits)
- CHEM 3371 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- CHEM 3372 Organic Chemistry Laboratory II (1 credit)

## Biology, B.S. *major* Medical Sciences Emphasis (Optional)

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Required Credits: 71

Required GPA: 2.25

#### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)

- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

#### II REQUIRED MEDICAL SCIENCES CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3250 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy (4 credits)
- BIOL 3260 Medical Physiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)

#### III CAPSTONE PROJECT

The Biology capstone project, completed in the senior year, provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of capstone projects may include original research projects, internships with state or federal agencies, shadowing experiences with professionals, or successfully passing professional/graduate school entrance exams. The capstone project must be designed or chosen by the student in consultation with a faculty mentor or advisor, who must approve the project before work begins. Students should consult with their faculty mentor or advisor before their senior year commences. All capstone projects will include a written and oral component (except for professional/graduate school entrance exams).

**The capstone project may be completed in one of the following ways (0-4 credits):**

1. Students using a professional or graduate entrance exam as their capstone project must register for this course. Students must place in at least the 60th percentile on their exam to successfully complete this course.

- BIOL 4800 Advanced Project Certification (0 credit)

2. Complete BIOL 4894 OR BIOL 4895 (2 credits):

- BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

3. Complete BIOL 4894 AND BIOL 4895 (2 credits each):

- BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
- BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

#### IV REQUIRED MEDICAL SCIENCES ELECTIVES

SELECT 12 CREDITS OF ELECTIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING:

- BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)
- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3590 Cell Biology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4270 Histology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4360 Developmental and Tumor Biology (4 credits)
- CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 4471 Biochemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)

#### V REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS

A. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

*GROUP 1:*

- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)

*GROUP 2:*

- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)

**B. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:**

- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)
- PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

**C. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:**

*GROUP 1:*

- PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- PHYS 2102 Physics II (5 credits)

*GROUP 2:*

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 1102 General Physics II (4 credits)

**D. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING 4 COURSES:**

- CHEM 3311 Organic Chemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 3312 Organic Chemistry II (3 credits)
- CHEM 3371 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- CHEM 3372 Organic Chemistry Laboratory II (1 credit)

## **Biology, B.S. *major***

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Required Credits: 68

Required GPA: 2.25

### **I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES**

**COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:**

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

### **II REQUIRED BIOLOGY ELECTIVES**

**SUBORGANISMAL**

**SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:**

- BIOL 3260 Medical Physiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3590 Cell Biology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3720 Plant Form and Function (4 credits)
- BIOL 3755 Medical Microbiology (3 credits)
- BIOL 4270 Histology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4360 Developmental and Tumor Biology (4 credits)

**ORGANISMAL**

**SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:**

- BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)

- BIOL 3250 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy (4 credits)
- BIOL 3310 Entomology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3730 Plant Diversity (4 credits)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4510 Ornithology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4520 Mammalogy (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)

### **III CAPSTONE PROJECT**

The Biology capstone project, completed in the senior year, provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of capstone projects may include original research projects, internships with state or federal agencies, shadowing experiences with professionals, or successfully passing professional/graduate school entrance exams.

The capstone project must be designed or chosen by the student in consultation with a faculty mentor or advisor, who must approve the project before work begins. Students should consult with their faculty mentor or advisor before their senior year commences. All capstone projects will include a written and oral component (except for professional/graduate school entrance exams).

The capstone project may be completed in one of the following ways (0-4 credits):

1. Students using a professional or graduate entrance exam as their capstone project must register for this course. Students must place in at least the 60th percentile on their exam to successfully complete this course.
  - BIOL 4800 Advanced Project Certification (0 credit)
2. Complete BIOL 4894 OR BIOL 4895 (2 credits):
  - BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
  - BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)
3. Complete BIOL 4894 and BIOL 4895 (2 credits each):
  - BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
  - BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

### **IV REQUIRED GENERAL BIOLOGY ELECTIVES**

**SELECT ELECTIVES FROM BIOLOGY COURSES (EXCEPT 1000-LEVEL BIOL CLASSES AND BIOL 2925) TO ACHIEVE A MINIMUM OF 40 SEMESTER CREDITS IN BIOL COURSES. THESE**

**ELECTIVES CAN ALSO INCLUDE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS**

- a. CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)
- b. CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits) and CHEM 4471 Biochemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- c. ENVR 4400 Environmental Microbiology (3 credits)
- d. ENVR 4500 Environmental Toxicology (4 credits)

### **V REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS**

**A. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:**

#### GROUP 1:

- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)

#### GROUP 2:

- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)

#### B. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)
- PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

#### C. SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

##### GROUP 1:

- PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- PHYS 2102 Physics II (5 credits)

##### GROUP 2:

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 1102 General Physics II (4 credits)

#### D. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING 4 COURSES:

- CHEM 3311 Organic Chemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 3312 Organic Chemistry II (3 credits)
- CHEM 3371 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- CHEM 3372 Organic Chemistry Laboratory II (1 credit)

### SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR BIOLOGY MAJOR, B.S.

The following is a list of required Biology Major, B.S. courses arranged by year. This schedule is intended to assist students in planning their courses in an orderly fashion. There is some flexibility in this schedule, but graduation within four years will require close adherence to the specified sequence of courses. Always consult your Biology academic advisor as to the proper courses and sequence of courses needed for graduation.

#### Freshman

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- Liberal Education requirements
- Consult with your Biology academic advisor

#### Sophomore

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- CHEM 3311 Organic Chemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 3312 Organic Chemistry II (3 credits)
- CHEM 3371 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- CHEM 3372 Organic Chemistry Laboratory II (1 credit)
- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)  
or PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- PHYS 1102 General Physics II (4 credits)  
or PHYS 2102 Physics II (5 credits)
- Biology degree requirements

- Liberal Education requirements
- Consult with your Biology academic advisor

#### Junior

- Biology degree requirements
- Liberal Education requirements
- Consult with your Biology academic advisor

#### Senior

- Complete Biology degree requirements
- Complete Liberal Education requirements
- Consult with your Biology academic advisor

## Medical Laboratory Science, B.S. *major* (3 + 1 Option)

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In this option, the student completes the required Medical Laboratory Science and Liberal Education courses at Bemidji State University, and then applies for admission to the clinical year program through the University of North Dakota or other affiliated institution (a 2.80 GPA overall and in science courses is one requirement for entrance into the clinical year program).

The Medical Laboratory Science student must consult with the Medical Laboratory Science advisor at the start of the academic program and regularly throughout the course of study. The student must complete the Bemidji State University Liberal Education requirements before the year of clinical study.

Required Credits: 84

Required GPA: 2.25

### I REQUIRED COURSES

#### COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)
- BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- CHEM 3311 Organic Chemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 3371 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 4471 Biochemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)

#### SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- MATH 1170 College Algebra (4 credits)
- MATH 1470 Precalculus (5 credits)

### II REQUIRED CLINICAL STUDIES

Clinical year courses, taken during the senior year beginning with summer term, are taken through entrance into the clinical year program at the University of North Dakota or at affiliated hospitals.



NOTE: A clinical year position is not guaranteed. Students must apply for a clinical year position in October of the junior year. Please see advisor regarding the clinical year of study.

## SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE MAJOR, B.S.

The following is a list of Medical Laboratory Science courses arranged by year. This suggested schedule is intended to help students plan their courses without course conflicts. Courses that are asterisked(\*) are recommended but not required.

### Freshman

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)
- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- ENGL 1151 Composition (3 credits)
- ENGL 2152 Argument and Exposition (3 credits)
- MATH 1170 College Algebra (4 credits)  
or MATH 1470 Precalculus (5 credits)

### Sophomore

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3755 Medical Microbiology (3 credits)
- CHEM 3311 Organic Chemistry I (3 credits)
- \*CHEM 3312 Organic Chemistry II (3 credits)
- CHEM 3371 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- \*CHEM 3372 Organic Chemistry Laboratory II (1 credit)

### Junior

- \*BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 4471 Biochemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)  
or PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

### Senior

- Clinical year courses

## Medical Laboratory Science, B.S. *major* (4 + 1 Option)

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Required Credits: 108  
Required GPA: 2.25

### REQUIRED CLINICAL STUDIES 4 + 1 OPTION

NOTE: After completing the clinical year courses, students will receive a double major: Biology, B.S. and Medical Laboratory Science, B.S. In this option, the student completes a Biology, B.S., major at Bemidji State University, and then applies for admission to the clinical year program through the University of

North Dakota or other affiliated institution (a 2.80 GPA overall and in science courses is one requirement for entrance into the clinical year program). This option may be of interest to students considering a pre-professional program such as pre-medicine, pre-veterinary medicine, or other pre-professional area. Students who fail to gain admission to the professional school of their choice will have the option of pursuing a health-related career in Medical Laboratory Science.

### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY COURSES

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)

### II CAPSTONE PROJECT

II CAPSTONE PROJECT The Biology capstone project, completed in the senior year, provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of capstone projects may include original research projects, internships with state or federal agencies, shadowing experiences with professionals, or successfully passing professional/ graduate school entrance exams. The capstone project must be designed or chosen by the student in consultation with a faculty mentor or advisor, who must approve the project before work begins. Students should consult with their faculty mentor or advisor before their senior year commences. All capstone projects will include a written and oral component (except for professional/graduate school entrance exams).

The capstone project may be completed in one of the following ways (0-4 credits):

1. Students using a professional or graduate entrance exam as their capstone project must register for this course. Students must place in at least the 60th percentile on their exam to successfully complete this course.
  - BIOL 4800 Advanced Project Certification (0 credit)
2. Complete BIOL 4894 OR BIOL 4895 (2 credits):
  - BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
  - BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)
3. Complete BIOL 4894 and BIOL 4895 (2 credits each):
  - BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
  - BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

### III REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- CHEM 3311 Organic Chemistry I (3 credits)

- CHEM 3312 Organic Chemistry II (3 credits)
- CHEM 3371 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)
- CHEM 3372 Organic Chemistry Laboratory II (1 credit)
- CHEM 4411 Biochemistry I (3 credits)
- CHEM 4471 Biochemistry Laboratory I (1 credit)

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)  
or PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- PHYS 1102 General Physics II (4 credits)  
or PHYS 2102 Physics II (5 credits)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)  
or PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

#### IV REQUIRED CLINICAL STUDIES

Clinical year courses, taken after the senior year beginning with summer term, are taken through entrance into the clinical year program at the University of North Dakota or at affiliated hospitals. NOTE: A clinical year position is not guaranteed. Students must apply for a clinical year position in October of the junior year. Please see advisor regarding the clinical year of study.

## Science Education, B.S. *major* Life Science Specialty (Teacher Licensure)

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Required Credits: 83  
Required GPA: 2.50

#### Core Courses for Science Teaching in Grades 5-8

##### COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)  
or BIOL 1110 Human Biology (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)  
or BIOL 1120 General Biology: Evolution And Ecology (3 credits)
- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)  
or CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)
- GEOL 1110 Physical Geology (4 credits)
- SCI 3100 Integrative Science for Teachers (4 credits)
- SCI 3450 Science Methods For Grades 5-8 (4 credits)  
or ED 3410 Middle School Science Methods (4 credits)

#### REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSES

##### COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- ED 3100 Introduction to the Foundations of Public School Education (3 credits)
- ED 3110 Educational Psychology (3 credits)
- ED 3140 Human Relations In Education (3 credits)
- ED 3350 Pedagogy: Planning for Instruction (3 credits)
- ED 3780 Adaptation and Management: Designing the Learning Environment (3 credits)
- ED 4737 Content Area Reading (3 credits)
- ED 4799 The Professional Teacher (1 credit)
- HLTH 3400 Health and Drugs in Society (2 credits)

Complete 12 credits of student teaching:

- ED 4830 Student Teaching - Secondary (1-12 credits)

#### LIFE SCIENCE SPECIALTY

##### A. REQUIRED BIOLOGY COURSES

##### COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 2620 Field and Laboratory Projects in Ecological Research (2 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4620 Evolution (3 credits)
- BIOL 3720 Plant Form and Function (4 credits)  
or BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)

##### B. REQUIRED BIOLOGY ELECTIVE

##### SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3150 Animal Behavior (3 credits)
- BIOL 3310 Entomology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4510 Ornithology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4520 Mammalogy (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)

#### SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR LIFE SCIENCE SPECIALTY, SCIENCE EDUCATION MAJOR, B.S. (TEACHER LICENSURE)

The following is a list of required Science (Life Science) Major, B.S. courses arranged by year. This schedule is intended to assist students in planning their courses. There is some flexibility in this schedule, but graduation within four years will require close adherence to the specified sequence of courses. Always consult your Biology academic advisor as to the proper courses and sequence of courses needed for graduation. It is possible, in some circumstances, that courses in a student's Liberal Education program may be used in his or her academic major.

##### Freshman

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- Liberal Education requirements

##### Sophomore

- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 2620 Field and Laboratory Projects in Ecological Research (2 credits)
- BIOL 3720 Plant Form and Function (4 credits)
- GEOL 1110 Physical Geology (4 credits)
- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)  
or PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- Consider starting Professional Education sequence
- Liberal Education requirements

##### Junior

- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- SCI 3100 Integrative Science for Teachers (4 credits)
- SCI 3450 Science Methods For Grades 5-8 (4 credits)
- Other Professional Education requirements
- Liberal Education requirements

Senior

- Biology Elective (BIOL 3150, 3310, 3510, 4520, or 4534)
- BIOL 4620 Evolution (3 credits)
- Complete Professional Education requirements, including one semester of student teaching
- Complete liberal education requirements

## Wildlife Biology, B.S. *major*

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The Wildlife Biology major is designed for students preparing for careers with natural resources agencies or for graduate school in wildlife biology.

With careful selection of liberal education courses, graduates can fulfill the educational requirements for certification as an Associate Wildlife Biologist by The Wildlife Society.

Required Credits: 72

Required GPA: 2.25

### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

### II REQUIRED WILDLIFE BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3610 Principles of Wildlife Management (3 credits)
- BIOL 3880 Wildlife Management Techniques (4 credits)
- BIOL 4510 Ornithology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4520 Mammalogy (4 credits)
- GEOG 3231 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- GEOG 3232 Intermediate Geographic Information Systems (3 credits)
- BIOL 3400 Fish & Wildlife Law and Administration (3 credits)  
or ENVR 4210 Environmental Law and Policy (3 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)  
or BIOL 3310 Entomology (4 credits)  
or BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)  
or BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)  
or GEOG 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)  
or BIOL 4330 Upland Wildlife Management (3 credits)
- BIOL 2339 Ethics of Fish and Wildlife Management (3 credits)  
or BIOL 3420 Human Dimensions of Wildlife and Fisheries Management (3 credits)  
or GEOG 3570 Public Lands Planning (3 credits)

SELECT TWO OF THE FOLLOWING, WITH AT LEAST ONE BEING BIOL 3730 OR BIOL 3830:

- BIOL 3730 Plant Diversity (4 credits)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 3720 Plant Form and Function (4 credits)
- BIOL 4623 Forest Ecology (4 credits)

### III CAPSTONE PROJECT

The Biology capstone project, completed in the senior year, provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of capstone

projects may include original research projects, internships with state or federal agencies, shadowing experiences with professionals, or successfully passing professional/ graduate school entrance exams. The capstone project must be designed or chosen by the student in consultation with a faculty mentor or advisor, who must approve the project before work begins. Students should consult with their faculty mentor or advisor before their senior year commences. All capstone projects will include a written and oral component (except for professional/graduate school entrance exams).

The capstone project may be completed in one of the following ways (0-4 credits):

1. Students using a professional or graduate entrance exam as their capstone project must register for this course. Students must place in at least the 60th percentile on their exam to successfully complete this course.
  - BIOL 4800 Advanced Project Certification (0 credit)
2. Complete BIOL 4894 OR BIOL 4895 (2 credits):
  - BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
  - BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)
3. Complete BIOL 4894 and BIOL 4895 (2 credits each):
  - BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)
  - BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)

### IV REQUIRED COURSES IN RELATED FIELDS

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)
- PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 2101 Physics I (5 credits)
- GEOL 1110 Physical Geology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3120 Soils (4 credits)
- GEOL 3120 Soils (4 credits)

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- MATH 2471 Calculus I (5 credits)
- ENVR 4220 Sampling and Analysis (4 credits)
- GEOG 4265 Spatial Analysis (3 credits)
- PSY 4403 Advanced Statistics and Research Design (4 credits)

### SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR WILDLIFE BIOLOGY MAJOR, B.S.

Freshman

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits)
- CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits)  
or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits)
- Liberal Education requirements

#### Sophomore

- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)  
or PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits)
- Wildlife Biology degree requirements
- Liberal Education requirements
- Consult with your academic advisor

#### Junior

- Wildlife Biology degree requirements
- Complete Liberal Education requirements
- Consult with your Biology academic advisor

#### Senior

- Capstone Project
- Complete Wildlife Biology degree requirements
- Consult with your Biology academic advisor

## Biology *minor*

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Required Credits: 24  
Required GPA: 2.00

### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)

### II REQUIRED BIOLOGY ELECTIVES

Select 9 credits from the following areas with at least 1 course in each area.

#### SUBORGANISMAL

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 3260 Medical Physiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3590 Cell Biology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3720 Plant Form and Function (4 credits)
- BIOL 3755 Medical Microbiology (3 credits)
- BIOL 4270 Histology (4 credits)

#### ORGANISMAL

SELECT 1 OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)
- BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)

- BIOL 3250 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy (4 credits)
- BIOL 3310 Entomology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3730 Plant Diversity (4 credits)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4510 Ornithology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4520 Mammalogy (4 credits)
- BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)

## Wetlands Ecology *minor*

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Required Credits: 25  
Required GPA: 2.00

### I REQUIRED BIOLOGY CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)
- BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)

### II REQUIRED BIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES ADVANCED COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)  
or BIOL 3730 Plant Diversity (4 credits)
- BIOL 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits)  
or ENVR 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3844 Wetlands Ecology Lab (1 credit)
- BIOL 4030 Wetland Delineation and Classification (3 credits)
- BIOL 3400 Fish & Wildlife Law and Administration (3 credits)  
or ENVR 4210 Environmental Law and Policy (3 credits)

## Biology Courses

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### BIOL 1110 Human Biology (4 credits)

General introduction to biology, focusing on humans, including topics on cell biology, genetics, molecular biology, form and function of organ systems, and the interaction between humans and their environment. Intended for nonbiology majors. Lecture and laboratory. Liberal Education Goal Area 3 (LC).

### BIOL 1120 General Biology: Evolution And Ecology (3 credits)

A general introduction to biology with an emphasis on evolution, ecology, and the diversity of life. Intended for nonbiology majors. Includes laboratory simulations and field exercises. Liberal Education Goal Area 3 and 10.

### BIOL 1150 Aquatic Systems (3 credits)

An introduction to the physical characteristics, chemistry, and biology of lakes, streams, and rivers. Includes information on human impacts and alteration of these natural systems. Includes laboratory simulations and field exercises. Liberal Education Goal Area 3.

### BIOL 1211 Introductory Biology I (4 credits)

An introduction to the structure and function of living systems, with an emphasis on basic mechanisms and concepts in biochemistry and in cellular and molecular biology. Intended for biology majors and minors, preprofessional students, and open to any student wishing to fulfill their Liberal Education requirement. Lecture and laboratory. BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212 must be taken in sequence. Liberal Education Goal Area 3 (LC).

**BIOL 1212 Introductory Biology II (4 credits)**

An introduction to living organisms, with an emphasis on the basic mechanisms and concepts in organismal biology, ecology, and evolutionary biology. Topics include taxonomy and classification of the major groups of plants and animals, structure and function, development, and behavior. Intended for biology majors and minors, preprofessional students, and open to any student wishing to fulfill their Liberal Education requirement. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisite: BIOL 1211 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 3 (LC).

**BIOL 1300 Medical Terminology (2 credits)**

A study of anatomical and medical terminology by examining word roots, prefixes, and suffixes. Designed to assist pre-professional and allied health students who desire to increase their usage and understanding of medical terminology. This course does not satisfy any Biology major or minor degree requirements.

**BIOL 2110 Human Anatomy and Physiology (5 credits)**

The structure, function, and development of the human body. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisite: BIOL 1110 or BIOL 1211.

**BIOL 2339 Ethics of Fish and Wildlife Management (3 credits)**

This class is designed to explore the ethical aspects of various fish and wildlife management related topics in order to better understand how ethical viewpoints at both the social and political levels have influenced natural resource policy throughout history at the local, regional, and global scales. Liberal Education Goal Area 9.

**BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)**

Fundamental principles of heredity in plants, animals, and microorganisms. Includes both classical and molecular genetic approaches to studying organisms. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212.

**BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)**

Introduction to the interrelationships of organisms and their environments, emphasizing the historic development of fundamental principles at the levels of individual, population, community, and ecosystem through examination of theoretical and empirical findings. Prerequisites: BIOL 1110, 1120 or BIOL 1211, 1212 or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 2620 Field and Laboratory Projects in Ecological Research (2 credits)**

Introduction to the process of research in ecological science. The first part of the class consists of activities and lectures pertaining to basic issues of study design and execution. For the remainder of the class, students will design, carry out, and report on their own ecological study. Prerequisite or Corequisite BIOL 2610.

**BIOL 2925 People & The Environment: Biological Perspectives on the Environment (3 credits)**

Discussion and evaluation of current environmental biology topics, including biodiversity, ecosystems, biological resources, and human impact on the environment. This course fulfills Liberal Education requirements only and does not satisfy and Biology major or minor degree requirements. Liberal Education Goal Area 10.

**BIOL 3120 Soils (4 credits)**

Introduction to principles of soil genesis, classification, physical and chemical properties, and biological significance. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: (BIOL 1211 or BIOL 1120) and (GEOL 1110 or BIOL 1212) or consent of instructor. May not be offered every year.

**BIOL 3150 Animal Behavior (3 credits)**

Introduction to the study of the diversity, physiology, ecological context, and evolutionary development of behavior of invertebrate and vertebrate animals. Prerequisite: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212, or PSY 1100.

**BIOL 3250 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy (4 credits)**

Classification, adaptation, and evolutionary history of vertebrates; anatomy and functional morphology of vertebrates, including humans. Lecture and Laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212.

**BIOL 3260 Medical Physiology (4 credits)**

Physiological and pathophysiological principles and control mechanisms of organ systems within humans. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, BIOL 1212, BIOL 3250, and CHEM 3312.

**BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)**

Introduction to the principles of blood cell formation, function, and associated disorders. Lecture and Laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, CHEM 2211, and CHEM 2212. BIOL 2360 or BIOL 3380 is recommended.

**BIOL 3310 Entomology (4 credits)**

The biology of insects, their natural history, morphology, classification, and economic importance. Lecture, laboratory, and field study. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212, or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 3337 Science Communication (3 credits)**

This online course includes training in the skills, tools, and habits of mind of the practicing scientist. These skills include navigating and understanding the scientific literature, framing evidence-based and model-driven scientific questions, proposing and testing hypotheses, conducting research responsibly and ethically, analyzing and visualizing data, and communicating scientific rationale and results in lab meetings, presentations, research funding applications, and job searches.

**BIOL 3338 Science Communication Lab (1 credit)**

All students in the Biology Baccalaureate Partnership at North Hennepin Community College are expected to co-enroll in this 1 credit face-to-face section on the NHCC campus when taking BIOL 3337 online. The on-campus discussion section will cover supplementary topics and material and is intended to build scientific community and communications skills among the BBP cohort. The lab section will not impact the main course grades. Co-requisite BIOL 3337.

**BIOL 3339 Bioethics (3 credits)**

In this online Bioethics course we will grapple with the many philosophical, ethical, and practical questions created by advances in medicine and biology using a combination of readings, case studies, scientific literature, and popular culture. The course has undergraduate and graduate sections and is intended for students in their Junior year of college or later. Topics include prenatal testing, abortion, assisted suicide, human augmentation/transhumanism, cloning, disability rights, animal rights, genetically modified organisms, and environmental ethics. Liberal Education Goal Area 9.

**BIOL 3361 Limnology (4 credits)**

Introduction to the biology, chemistry, geology, and physics of lakes and streams. Lecture, field, and laboratory work. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, BIOL 1212, BIOL 2610, CHEM 1111 or CHEM 2211, CHEM 1112 or CHEM 2212, or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 3362 Stream and River Ecology (4 credits)**

An introduction to the physical characteristics, chemistry, and biology of lotic systems such as streams and rivers. Includes information on morphology, hydrology, and alteration of these natural systems. Includes laboratory simulations and field exercises. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212.

**BIOL 3380 Molecular Genetics: Theory and Practice (4 credits)**

Study of the structure, replication, repair, expression, regulation, and change of genetic material. Introduction to theory and procedures by which recombinant DNA molecules are formed, cloned, and expressed. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212. Might not be offered every year.

**BIOL 3400 Fish & Wildlife Law and Administration (3 credits)**

This course is for majors in natural resources, biology, and related fields. The lectures throughout the course will cover the history, philosophy, evolution, and application of these laws in the management of fish, wildlife, and other renewable resources for the benefit of the public. The course concludes with contemporary economic, administrative and political aspects of fish and wildlife management. The course fulfills some certification requirements of The Wildlife Society and the American Fisheries Society and is recommended for students planning graduate study or employment in natural resources management. Prerequisite: BIOL 2610.

**BIOL 3420 Human Dimensions of Wildlife and Fisheries Management (3 credits)**

This course is for majors in natural resources, biology, and related fields. The lectures throughout the course will cover the history, philosophy, evolution, and application of human dimensions in wildlife and fisheries management. The course fulfills some certification requirements of The Wildlife Society and the American Fisheries Society and is recommended for students planning graduate study or employment in natural resources management. Prerequisite: BIOL 2610.

**BIOL 3554 Readings in Aquatic Biology (1 credit)**

In-depth review and focused group discussion of a selected topic or topics. Emphasis is on learning to access and synthesize relevant literature. Active participation in discussions and working groups is required. Prerequisite: Junior status in Aquatic Biology.

**BIOL 3580 Immunology (4 credits)**

The study of disease fighting mechanisms of the body. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 2360 or BIOL 3380, and one year of chemistry.

**BIOL 3590 Cell Biology (4 credits)**

Microscopic anatomy and physiological mechanisms of plant and animal cells. Gene control of cellular metabolism, mechanism of energy utilization in cells and pathways of synthesis of molecules. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 2360 or BIOL 3380; and CHEM 2211, CHEM 2212.

**BIOL 3610 Principles of Wildlife Management (3 credits)**

Introduction to the field of wildlife management, including the biological principles important to the understanding of wildlife populations and the management strategies implemented by natural resource managers. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, BIOL 1212, and BIOL 2610. Might not be offered every year.

**BIOL 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits)**

Principles and theories of conservation biology. Topics include biodiversity, threats to biodiversity, extinctions, management of threatened and endangered species, managing habitats for conservation, and methods to mitigate biodiversity loss. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212, or consent of instructor. Also GEOG 3630.

**BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)**

Structure, classification, and physiology of bacteria and related microorganisms. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites or Corequisites: One year introductory biology and one year introductory chemistry or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 3720 Plant Form and Function (4 credits)**

Structure, function, and development of vascular plants. Interrelationships between anatomical structures and physiological processes and how plants cope with environmental challenges. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, 1212 and one year of college chemistry or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 3723 Ecosystem Ecology (3 credits)**

Fundamentals of the study of ecosystems, with emphasis on the integration of abiotic and biotic components in the development of ecosystem processes. Comparisons and interactions between terrestrial, wetland, aquatic, and atmospheric systems across the major biomes. Prerequisite: BIOL 2610.

**BIOL 3730 Plant Diversity (4 credits)**

Classification, phylogeny, collection, field identification, and uses of wild plants. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212 or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 3755 Medical Microbiology (3 credits)**

Introduction to pathogenic microorganisms, the interaction of pathogens and the immune system, transmission of infections, and methods of controlling infections. The laboratory portion of the class covers aseptic technique, pure culture techniques, microscopy, and diagnostic microbiology. This course is intended primarily for Nursing and Clinical Laboratory Science majors. Prerequisites: (BIOL 1211 or BIOL 1110) and (CHEM 1110 or CHEM 1111 or CHEM 2211).

**BIOL 3830 Aquatic Plants and Algae (4 credits)**

Survey of the morphology, physiology, taxonomy, systematics, and ecology of algae and aquatic vascular plants. Lecture, laboratory, and field study. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212.

**BIOL 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits)**

Survey course develops a basic understanding of the terminology, classification, ecology, values, and conservation of wetlands. Covers wetland systems from around the world, with emphasis on wetlands in North America. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and 1212.

**BIOL 3844 Wetlands Ecology Lab (1 credit)**

Laboratory course to supplement BIOL/ENVR 3840 Wetlands Ecology. Intended to strengthen a basic understanding of the terminology, classification, ecology, values, and conservation of wetlands. Prerequisite or Corequisite: BIOL/ENVR 3840 or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 3850 Marine Biology (3 credits)**

Lecture course introducing major concepts and theories. Includes physical and chemical components of the oceans, with special interest paid to the major groups of organisms living in marine systems. Emphasis on the different types of marine systems (coral reefs, mangroves, open water, etc.). Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and 1212. Might not be offered every year.

**BIOL 3880 Wildlife Management Techniques (4 credits)**

This course emphasizes application of ecological principles, knowledge, and practical field skills to data collection used in the management of wildlife resources and their habitats. Use of literature, development of basic field and laboratory skills, and application of management and research principles are integral. Designed for upper level students who have met prerequisites, and graduate students, who are preparing for professional careers in wildlife conservation, natural sciences, and related areas of natural resources management. The course helps fulfill The Wildlife Society professional certification requirements. Prerequisite: BIOL 3610.

**BIOL 4030 Wetland Delineation and Classification (3 credits)**

This training course for the identification, delineation, and classification of wetlands covers the major types of wetlands and their general delineation procedures. Hydrological, soil, and vegetation characteristics will be used to identify and map wetland boundaries. Focuses on current regulations as established by the US Army Corps of Engineers' 1987 Wetland Delineation Manual with additional regulations specific for the state of Minnesota. Satisfies the requirements for basic delineation training as specified by the Corps of Engineers and certification programs in many states. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, 1212, or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 4031 Advanced Wetland Delineation (2 credits)**

Training course intended to develop an advanced understanding of wetland delineation and regulation. Includes review of hydrological, physiochemical, and vegetation characteristics used to identify wetland boundaries, as well as specifics of wetland regulation, comprehensive wetland delineations, and post-field reporting. Covers procedures and regulations used by federal and state agencies, with an emphasis on those in Minnesota. Prerequisite: BIOL 4030 or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 4200 Freshwater Invertebrates (4 credits)**

Morphology and functional roles of representative freshwater invertebrates and their ecological interrelationships. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisite: BIOL 1211, BIOL 1212, BIOL 3361, BIOL 3362, and junior status, or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)**

The biology of animal parasites, their identification, biochemistry, immunology, and epidemiology. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, 1212, or consent of instructor.

**BIOL 4270 Histology (4 credits)**

Microscopic anatomy of vertebrate tissues and organs with functional correlations. Lecture and laboratory. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212, BIOL 3250, and BIOL 3260. Might not be offered every year.

**BIOL 4330 Upland Wildlife Management (3 credits)**

An advanced pre-professional course for majors in natural resources, biology, and related fields. Lectures cover the history, philosophy, evolution, and application of wildlife management with a focus on upland wildlife as a renewable, sustainable natural resource. The course fulfills some professional certification requirements of The Wildlife Society and is recommended for students planning graduate study or employment in natural resources management. Prerequisite: BIOL 3610.

**BIOL 4360 Developmental and Tumor Biology (4 credits)**

Investigation of the mechanisms leading to the development of multicellular animal organisms from a fertilized egg. In contrast, the course also investigates how cells within a multicellular organism can become misregulated, leading to cancer. Lecture and lab. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212. BIOL 2360 or BIOL 3380 is highly recommended. Might not be offered every year.

**BIOL 4447 Genomics (3 credits)**

Genomics is the study of the content, structure, organization, evolution, and conservation of whole genomes. Because of its reliance on precision instrumentation and scale, and the unprecedented volume of data produced, genomics is unusual among biological disciplines in its integration of engineering, statistics, and information science. Genomics also requires the biologist to engage in systems thinking by taking a wide view of the dynamic physical and informational network that comprises a single genome. One must further consider the human genome as itself a component of an even larger network of genomes that make up the holobiont—that's us plus our always-changing resident community of microbial pals. After covering these and other topics, and carrying out a substantial genome annotation project for the lab component of the course, we explore personal genomics, or how all this information and understanding affects our lives as 21st century human beings. Prerequisite: BIOL 2360.

**BIOL 4448 Genomics Lab (2 credits)**

All students in the Biology Baccalaureate Partnership at North Hennepin Community College are expected to co-enroll in this 2 credit face-to-face section on the NHCC campus when taking BIOL4447 online. This lab section consists of a hands-on genome annotation project in collaboration with the national Genomics Education Partnership, as well as practice using other bioinformatics tools and databases. Prerequisites: BIOL2360, co-enrollment with BIOL4447.

**BIOL 4449 Gene Expression (4 credits)**

While mutations in genomic DNA play a major role in human health and disease, the control of gene expression plays the pivotal role in establishing developmental patterning, cellular differentiation, responsiveness to environmental stimuli, and defense against pathogens and invasive genetic elements. Changes in genomic DNA over time are a key driver of evolution, but the control of gene expression is also a major generator of species diversity and a driver of genome structure and function. Chromosomes in eukaryotic nuclei are made up of a combination of DNA and proteins packaged and compacted into a composite called chromatin-in turn, chromatin structure and modification determines whether a gene is "open" for transcription or closed. One of the most efficient and well-characterized systems for studying the relationship between chromatin and gene expression is the so-called position effect variegation (PEV) in the compound eye of *Drosophila melanogaster*, in which the variable expression of a reporter transgene allows reproducible measurement of gene expression in response to genetic and environmental factors. We will use a combination of classroom and laboratory approaches to understand and complete original research projects using this system. Successful completion of this course satisfies BSU Biology's capstone requirement. Prerequisite: BIOL 2360.

**BIOL 4510 Ornithology (4 credits)**

Morphology, ecology, behavior, classification, distribution, and evolution of birds. Lecture, laboratory, and field study (early morning field trips and one or two all-day field trips). Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212.

**BIOL 4520 Mammalogy (4 credits)**

Morphology, ecology, behavior, classification, distribution, and evolution of mammals. Lecture and laboratory. Collection or paper by each student. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212.

**BIOL 4534 Ichthyology (4 credits)**

An overview of morphology, physiology, behavior, taxonomy, systematics, and ecology of fishes. This course emphasizes the evolution of ecological adaptations and the origin and conservation of biodiversity. Lecture, laboratory, and field work. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211 and BIOL 1212.

**BIOL 4545 Fisheries Management (4 credits)**

Theory and methods of fisheries management with an emphasis on quantitative methods and ecosystem management. Lecture and extensive field and laboratory work. Prerequisites: BIOL 1211, BIOL 1212, BIOL 3362, and STAT 2610. BIOL 4534 strongly recommended.

**BIOL 4620 Evolution (3 credits)**

Patterns and processes of biological evolution. Topics include phylogenies, speciation, extinctions, biogeography, adaptations, sexual selection, and behavior, with an emphasis on vertebrates and invertebrates. Prerequisite: BIOL 2360.

**BIOL 4623 Forest Ecology (4 credits)**

Fundamentals of forest ecology, including study of tree growth, tree demography, forest community dynamics, and ecosystem processes. Students also learn to identify forest trees native to the region and basic techniques of forest stand description. Prerequisite: BIOL 2610 or consent of instructor. Might not be offered every year.

**BIOL 4800 Advanced Project Certification (0 credit)**

A course designed to document a student's successful completion of a professional or graduate school entrance exam, with a student placing in at least the 60th percentile. This course is one of the options for completing the capstone project requirement in Biology.

**BIOL 4894 Advanced Research Project I (2 credits)**

This course provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of an advanced research project may include an original research project, internship, or shadowing experience with a professional. Prerequisite: Junior status and consent of instructor.

**BIOL 4895 Advanced Research Project II (2 credits)**

This course is a continuation of BIOL 4894 for students who undertake a year-long research project. The course provides a culminating experience that integrates the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses and applies them to a scholarly activity. Examples of an advanced research project may include an original research project, internship, or shadowing experience with a professional. Prerequisite: Junior status and consent of instructor.

**BIOL 4898 Fisheries Research I (2 credits)**

Independent field projects based on the background and interests of the students and the instructor. Designed to give students experience developing original research objectives, designing methods, collecting data, and writing a research manuscript that conveys that research to their peers. Prerequisites: Completion of the Area II required writing course for the B.S. or B.A. Biology major, junior status and consent of instructor.

**BIOL 4899 Fisheries Research II (2 credits)**

This course is a continuation of BIOL 4898. It is designed to give students experience analyzing data, drawing conclusions, completing and preparing a research manuscript for publication, and developing an oral presentation for a professional meeting. Prerequisites: BIOL 4898, Completion of the Area II required writing course for the B.S. or B.A. Biology major, junior status and consent of instructor.

**All-University Courses**

The course numbers listed below, not always included in the semester class schedule, may be registered for by consent of the advisor, instructor, or department chair, or may be assigned by the department when warranted. Individual registration requires previous arrangement by the student and the completion of any required form or planning outline as well as any prerequisites.

1910, 2910, 3910, 4910 DIRECTED INDEPENDENT STUDY

1920, 2920, 3920, 4920 DIRECTED GROUP STUDY

1930, 2930, 3930, 4930 EXPERIMENTAL COURSE

1940, 2940, 3940, 4940 IN-SERVICE COURSE

1950, 2950, 3950, 4950 WORKSHOP, INSTITUTE, TOUR

1960, 2960, 3960, 4960 SPECIAL PURPOSE INSTRUCTION

1970, 2970, 3970, 4970 INTERNSHIP

1980, 2980, 3980, 4980 RESEARCH

1990, 2990, 3990, 4990 THESIS