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

The **Medical Laboratory Science, (4+1 option) B.S.** degree include the following:

- Completion of a minimum of 40 upper division credits (level 3000/4000)
- Completion of all required major credits
- Completion of Core Curriculum credits (Minnesota Transfer Curriculum [MnTC] Goal Areas 1-10 with a minimum of 40 credits) required for all baccalaureate degrees
- Completion of BSU Focus and Nisidotaading Course Requirements

Dual Degrees
Students wishing to complete two degrees concurrently, (example: Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts) must complete a minimum of an additional 30 credits above the required 120 credits.

Multiple Credentials
Any additional major, minor or certificate in a degree must have at least 6 credits of course work not used to meet the requirements of another major, minor or certificate in the degree.

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. Be aware that a 2.80 gpa in 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-physician's assistant, or other pre-professional area. Students have the option of pursuing a health-related career in Medical Laboratory Science but also gain clinical hours and experience that can facilitate admission to pre-professional programs.

I REQUIRED BIOLOGY COURSES

- BIOL 1400 Cellular Principles (4 credits)
- BIOL 1500 Diversity of Life (4 credits)
- BIOL 2360 Genetics (4 credits)
- BIOL 2610 General Ecology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3074 Molecular Techniques (2 credits)
  or BCMB 3074 Molecular Techniques (2 credits)
- BIOL 3260 Human Physiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3300 Introduction to Hematology (4 credits)
- BIOL 3580 Immunology (3 credits)
- BIOL 3710 Microbiology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4210 Parasitology (4 credits)
- BIOL 4715 Clinical Microbiology (3 credits)

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).

PLEASE NOTE: For students admitted to a clinical year program, the required clinical studies (see Section IV below)can be used to satisfy the Capstone Project requirement.

Alternatively, 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 University Physics I (4 credits)
- PHYS 1102 General Physics II (4 credits)
  or PHYS 2102 University Physics II (4 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. The clinical year will consist of at least 37 credits.

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.