

Biology BA Curriculum Checklist

Fall 2025 – Spring 2026 (updated 03/28/2025)

Course Number & Title

- ☐ BIOL2000 Molecules & Cells (fall/spring)
- ☐ BIOL2010 Ecology & Evolution (fall/spring)
- ☐ BIOL2040 Investigations in Molecular Cell Biology Lab (fall/spring) **NOTE:** Taken after BIOL2000

☐ Category A: Genetics & Genomics

One from the following:

- BIOL3050 Genetics – 4 cr
- BIOL3060 Foundations in Genetics (summer/fall)

☐ Category B: Physiology & Organismal Biology

One from the following:

- BIOL3030 Comparative Vertebrate Physiology
- BIOL3320 Developmental Biology (spring only)
- BIOL4110 Ornithology (spring only)
- BIOL4330 Human Physiology (spring only) - 4 cr
- BIOL4450 Behavioral Ecology (not offered in AY25-26)

☐ One Advanced Experience Course (see the listing on reverse side)

NOTE: Undergraduate Research can be used to satisfy the Advanced Experience requirement or one biology elective only if the student completes two semesters of research in the same laboratory

☐ Choose Biology courses 3000 level or above to bring the total Biology credits to 33

See the reverse page for a listing of biology electives. NOTE: 9 of the 33 credits may be from the approved BA elective list (or from another course preapproved by the department).

CO-REQUISITES

Chemistry

- ☐ General Chemistry 1 & 2 with Labs (CHEM1109-1110; 1111-1112)

Math

- ☐ Calculus 1 (MATH 1100) or equivalent

2024-2025 BIOLOGY ELECTIVES

Biology Electives are 3 credits each unless otherwise noted.

Fall 2025

Comparative Vertebrate Physiology (BIOL3030)
 Cell Biology (BIOL3040)
 Genetics (BIOL3050) — **4 cr**
 Foundations in Genetics (BIOL3060)
 Research Methods in Organismal Biology (BIOL3140)
 Evolution and Development (BIOL4050)
 Virology (BIOL4090)
 Inflammation and Disease (BIOL4120)
 Introduction to Bioinformatics (BIOL4200)
 Human Anatomy with Lab (BIOL4260) — **4 cr**
 Biological Chemistry (BIOL4350)
 Vaccination and Immunity (BIOL4440)
 Cellular Biochemistry (BIOL4580)

Spring 2026

Comparative Vertebrate Physiology (BIOL3030)
 Cell Biology (BIOL3040)
 Genetics (BIOL3050) — **4 cr**
 Ecology in a Changing Climate (BIOL3200)
 Developmental Biology (BIOL3320)
 Deep-Sea Biology (BIOL4030)
 Ornithology (BIOL4110)
 Microbiology (BIOL4140)
 Population Genetics (BIOL4250)
 Metabolic Regulation and Human Disease (BIOL4290)
 Human Physiology with Lab (BIOL4330) — **4 cr**
 Biological Chemistry (BIOL4350)
 Molecular Biology (BIOL4400)
 Cancer Biology (BIOL4510)
 Principles of Immunology (BIOL4570)

ADVANCED EXPERIENCE COURSES

Fall 2025

Seminars (3 credits)

Nobel Winning Res in Medicine or Physio (BIOL5010) — **2 cr**
 Topics in Developmental Biology (BIOL5040) — **2 cr**
 Glycobiology and Human Disease (BIOL5200) — **2 cr**
 Molecular Basis of Infectious Disease (BIOL5210)
 Cancer as a Metabolic Disease (BIOL5420)
 Biology of the Nucleus (BIOL5700)

Advanced Labs (3 credits)

Research in Evolutionary Genomics (BIOL4802)
 Research in Molecular Biology Lab (BIOL4830)
 Advanced Lab in Cell Imaging (BIOL5450) — **2 cr**

Spring 2026

Seminars (3 credits)

Nobel Winning Res in Medicine or Physio (BIOL5010) — **2cr**
 Recombinant DNA Technology (BIOL5060)
 Microbial Community Ecology (BIOL5071) — **2 cr**
 Microbiome and Human Disease (BIOL5100) — **2 cr**
 Seminar in Cellular Dynamics (BIOL5180) — **2 cr**
 Immunity and Infectious Disease (BIOL5230)
 Topics in Nutrition and Metabolism (BIOL5250)
 Vertebrate Biomechanics (BIOL5380)
 Cancer as a Metabolic Disease (BIOL5420)
 Topics in Microbial Pathogenesis (BIOL5460)

Advanced Labs (3 credits)

Research in Molecular Biology Lab (BIOL4830)
 Advanced Lab in Cell Imaging (BIOL5450) — **2 credits**

Two semesters of undergraduate Research for credit (BIOL4960 or BIOL4963) can be used to satisfy the Advanced Experience requirement **or** one biology elective only if the student completes **two semesters of research in the same laboratory**, with permission from the Biology Department. Undergraduate research for credit can take place on or off campus, and requires the permission of the supervising faculty member.

Pre-Approved Biology BA Electives

**most courses listed below are not offered by the Biology department and offerings may change without notice*

Microbiology for the Health Professions (BIOL2200)
 Microbiology for the Health Professions Lab (BIOL2210)
 Racialized Medicine (AADS4400)
 History of Med. & Public Health/African American Diaspora (AADS4485)
 History of Scientific Illustration (ARTH4316)
 Organic Chemistry 1 (CHEM2231)
 Biochemistry I (CHEM4461)
 Biochemistry II (CHEM4462)
 Drug Discovery and Medicinal Chemistry (CHEM5510)
 Synthetic Biology (CHEM5513)
 Environmental Economics (ECON2278)
 Evolutionary Economics (ECON3312)
 Environmental Systems: Carbon Cycle (EESC2204)
 Paleobiology (EESC3330)
 Science Writing (ENGL4201)
 Environmental Law & Policy (ENVS2256)
 Sustainable Agriculture (ENVS3315)
 Wildlife and Society (ENVS3354)

Forensic Science I (FORS5318)
 Animals (HIST4222)
 Science and Religion in American History (HIST4891)
 The Ethics of Global Public Health & the Common Good (PHCG3223)
 The Nature of Science (PHIL4512)
 Metaphysics (PHIL5529)
 Philosophy of Science (PHIL5593)
 Introduction to Psychopathology (PSYC2234)
 Behavioral Neuroscience (PSYC2285)
 Psychophysiology of Stress (PSYC3329)
 Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder (PSYC3339)
 Cognitive Neuroscience: Exploring Mind & Brain (PSYC3371)
 Developmental Neuroscience (PSYC3376)
 Neurobiology of Eating & Eating Disorders (PSYC3388)
 Consumption, Health, & the Environment (SOCY3322)
 Environmental Sociology I (SOCY3562)
 HIV, AIDS & Ethics (THEO5498)

For a list of **CORE** courses offered Fall 2025, please visit the [website](#).