

Biology

Change of Major Criteria

Student must be in good academic standing (including Upper Division Biology GPA)
Grades in all attempted Life Sciences core courses must be C- or higher

AP and IB units are excluded in the determination of the appropriate cumulative units range

Change of major requests are reviewed during weeks 2, 3, 4, and 10 of the quarter via appointment or workshop

2nd and 3rd Quarter Freshman

Completion of any 2 courses from the following with no grade lower than a C- and a 2.0 or higher GPA in core courses.
AP credit is not acceptable.

BIOL 5A and 5LA
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB
MATH 9A, MATH 9B

4th Quarter Freshman and Sophomore (up to 89.9 cumulative units)

Completion of the following courses with no grade lower than a C- and a 2.0 or higher GPA in core courses after repeats:

BIOL 5A and 5LA, BIOL 5B, BIOL 5C
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB, CHEM 1C and 1LC
MATH 9A, MATH 9B

Junior (90 - 134.9 cumulative units)

1. Completion of the following courses with no grade lower than a C- and a 2.0 or higher GPA in core courses after repeats:

BIOL 5A and 5LA, BIOL 5B, BIOL 5C
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB, CHEM 1C and 1LC
MATH 9A, MATH 9B

2. Completion of at least one of the following sequences with no grade lower than a C- and a 2.0 or higher GPA in core courses after repeats. **Note:** Organic Chemistry is the preferred sequence.

CHEM 12A, CHEM 12B, CHEM 12C
PHYS 2A and 2LA, PHYS 2B and 2LB, PHYS 2C and 2LC

3. A 2.0 or higher GPA in all attempted upper division courses applicable to the major.

Senior (135+ cumulative units)

1. Completion of the following courses with no grade lower than a C- and a 2.0 or higher GPA in core courses after repeats:

BIOL 5A and 5LA, BIOL 5B, BIOL 5C
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB, CHEM 1C and 1LC
CHEM 12A, CHEM 12B, CHEM 12C
MATH 9A, MATH 9B
PHYS 2A and 2LA, PHYS 2B and 2LB, PHYS 2C and 2LC
BCH 100 or BCH 110A
STAT 100A/100B*

2. Completion of at least one upper division course applicable to the major, excluding BCH 100 and BCH 110A, with a 2.0 or higher GPA in all attempted upper division courses.

*Students with credit for STAT048 must take STAT100B to fulfill the upper division statistics requirement.