



Biology

Change of Major Criteria

Student must be in good academic standing (major, quarter, and cumulate GPAs)

Life Science Core GPA must be 2.0 or higher with no grades lower than a C-

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

Change of major petitions 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 Life Science Core GPA: AP credit is not acceptable.

BIOL 5A and 5LA or 20
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB
MATH 9A/7A, MATH 9B/7B

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 Life Science Core GPA:

BIOL 5A and 5LA or 20, BIOL 5B, BIOL 5C
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB, CHEM 1C and 1LC
MATH 9A/7A, MATH 9B/7B

Junior (90 - 134.9 cumulative units)

1. Completion of the following courses with no grade lower than a C-:
BIOL 5A and 5LA or 20, BIOL 5B, BIOL 5C
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB, CHEM 1C and 1LC
MATH 9A/7A, MATH 9B/7B
2. Completion of at least one of the following sequences with no grade lower than a C-:
Note: Organic Chemistry is the preferred sequence.
CHEM 008A and 008LA, CHEM 008B and 008LB, CHEM 008C and 008LC
PHYS 2A and 2LA, PHYS 2B and 2LB, PHYS 2C and 2LC
3. A 2.0 or higher Life Science Core GPA.
4. 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 Life Science Core GPA:
BIOL 5A and 5LA or 20, BIOL 5B, BIOL 5C
CHEM 1A and 1LA, CHEM 1B and 1LB, CHEM 1C and 1LC
CHEM 008A and 008LA, CHEM 008B and 008LB, CHEM 008C and 008LC
MATH 9A/7A, MATH 9B/7B
PHYS 2A and 2LA, PHYS 2B and 2LB, PHYS 2C and 2LC
BCH 100 or BCH 110A
STAT 10/11*
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.

*STAT100A/100B will be accepted if taken prior to Fall 2021.