

BIOLOGY BS Requirements (2022-23)

Course offerings are subject to change. Check the [2022-23 BIOL Curriculum Plan](#)

Lower Division Requirements

Calculus:	<input type="checkbox"/> MATH 11A (FWS) or MATH 19A (FWS)	&	<input type="checkbox"/> MATH 11B (FWS) or MATH 19B (FWS)	
General Chem:	<input type="checkbox"/> CHEM 1A: General Chemistry (FWS)	&	<input type="checkbox"/> CHEM 1B: General Chemistry (FWS)	& <input type="checkbox"/> CHEM 1C: General Chemistry & (FWS) <input type="checkbox"/> CHEM 1N: General Chem Lab (FWS)
Biology:	<input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 20A: Cell and Molecular Bio (FWS)	&	<input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 20B: Development and Physiology (FWS)	& <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 20C: Ecology & Evolution (FWS) & <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 20L: Experimental Bio Lab (FWS)
Organic Chem:	<input type="checkbox"/> CHEM 8A: Organic Chemistry (FW)	&	<input type="checkbox"/> CHEM 8B: Organic Chemistry (WS)	<input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 102J: Toxic RNA Lab I (F)
	<input type="checkbox"/> CHEM 8L: Organic Chemistry Lab (FW)			<input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 107: Synthetic Gene Regulation Lab I (F)
Statistics:	<input type="checkbox"/> STAT 5: Statistics (FWS)	OR	<input type="checkbox"/> STAT 7: Stats for the Biological, Environmental, and Health Sciences & (FWS) <input type="checkbox"/> STAT 7L: Stats Lab (FWS)	
Physics:	<input type="checkbox"/> PHYS 6A: Introductory Physics I & (FWS) <input type="checkbox"/> PHYS 6L: Introductory Physics I Lab (FWS)	&	<input type="checkbox"/> PHYS 6B: Introductory Physics II (WS)	OR <input type="checkbox"/> PHYS 6C: Introductory Physics III (FS)

After passing the above qualification courses shaded green with a C or better, you can submit your [request to declare your major](#) via your [my.ucsc.edu](#) portal. All qualification courses must be completed by the end of the 5th quarter and students must petition to declare by the 6th quarter deadline.

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Upper Division Requirements

CORE COURSES:

BIOL 105: Genetics (FWS)

BIOL 100: Biochemistry (WS) & BIOL 101: Molecular Biology (FS)

OR

BIOC 100A: Biochemistry & Molecular Bio (F) & BIOC 100B: Biochemistry & MB (W) & BIOC 100C: Biochemistry & MB (S)

* Note that you must complete the entire series of one or the other: no mixing and matching

BIOL 101L: Molecular Biology Lab (FWS) OR BIOL 102L: Toxic RNA Lab II (W) OR BIOL 107L: Synthetic Gene Regulation Lab II (W)

- BIOE 107: Ecology (FWS)
- BIOE 109: Evolution (FWS)
- BIOL 110: Cell Biology (FWS)

UPPER DIVISION ELECTIVES: CHOOSE A MINIMUM OF 3 (Classes shaded below count toward BOTH the Upper Div Elective and the DC)

- BIOC 100C: Biochemistry
- BIOE 108: Marine Ecology
- BIOE 112/L: Ornithology/Lab
- BIOE 114/L: Herpetology/Lab
- BIOE 117/L: Systematic Botany/Lab *
- BIOE 120/L: Marine Botany/Lab
- BIOE 122/L: Invertebrate Zoology/Lab
- BIOE 124/L: Mammalogy/Lab
- BIOE 127/L: Ichthyology/Lab
- BIOE 129/L: Marine Mammals/Lab
- BIOE 131/L: Animal Physiology (lab optional)
- BIOE 133/L: Exercise Physiology/Lab
- BIOE 134/L: Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy/Lab
- BIOE 135/L: Plant Physiology/Lab
- BIOE 137/L: Molecular Ecology/Lab *
- BIOE 139: Mathematical Modeling and Data Science in Ecology and Evolution
- BIOE 140: Behavioral Ecology
- BIOE 145: Plant Ecology
- BIOE 147: Community Ecology
- BIOE 149: Disease Ecology
- BIOE 155: Freshwater Ecology
- BIOE 161: Kelp Forest Ecology
- BIOE 163/L: Ecology of Reefs, Mangroves & Seagrasses/Lab
- BIOE 165: Marine Conservation Biology
- BIOE 172: Population Genetics
- BIOL 111A: Immunology
- BIOL 114: Cancer Cell Biology
- BIOL 115: Eukaryotic Molecular Biology
- BIOL 118: Principles of Human Genetics
- BIOL 120: Developmental Biology
- BIOL 125: Intro to Neuroscience
- BIOL 130: Human Physiology
- BIOL 140: The RNA World
- METX 100: Introduction to Microbiology
- METX 135/L: Anatomy of the Human Body/Lab
- METX 140: Molecular Biology and Microbial Genetics

DC Requirement: 2 OF THE FOLLOWING BIOE COURSES: OR 1 OF THE FOLLOWING BIOL LABS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 108: Marine Ecology | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 103L: Toxic RNA Lab II |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 114/L: Herpetology/Lab | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 105L: Eukaryotic Genetics Lab |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 117: Systematic Botany | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 106L: Eukaryotic Genetic Engineering Lab |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 120/L: Marine Botany/Lab | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 108L: Synthetic Gene Regulation Lab III |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 122/L: Invertebrate Zoology/Lab | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 109L: Yeast Molecular Genetics Lab |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 127/L: Ichthyology/Lab | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 115L: Eukaryotic Molecular Biology Lab |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 128L: Large Marine Vertebrates Field Course | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 120L: Developmental Biology Lab |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIOE 129/L: Marine Mammals | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOL 121L: Environmental Phage Biology Lab |

<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 137: Molecular Ecology	<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOL 186L: Undergraduate Research in MCD Biology
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 141L: Behavioral Ecology Field Course		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 145: Plant Ecology		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 145L: Field Methods in Plant Ecology		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 150L: Ecological Field Methods		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 151B/ENVS 109B: Ecology and Conservation in Practice Supercourse: Ecological Field Methods Lab		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 153C: Disciplinary Communication for Biologists		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 158L: Marine Ecology Lab		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 159A: Marine Ecology Field Quarter: Marine Ecology with Lab		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 161L: Kelp Forest Ecology Lab		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 171: Disciplinary Communication for Biologists		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOE 172: Population Genetics		

***For 2-credit BIOE lab courses listed above that are taken concurrently with 5-credit lectures, both courses must be passed to receive one half of the DC requirement. BIOE 117 and BIOE 137 require concurrent enrollment in 2-credit labs, BIOE 117L and BIOE 137L, but these are not part of the DC requirement.**

COMPREHENSIVE REQUIREMENT IS SATISFIED BY COMPLETING TWO UPPER-DIVISION LAB OR FIELD COURSES (BIOL or BIOE course identified with an "L").

- BIOL 101L OR BIOL 102L OR BIOL 107L
- One upper-division lab/field course (from above lists only)

Please refer to your [2022-23 UCSC General Catalog](#) for more information or clarification