## ACADEMIC MAP Microbiology Track Biology, Bachelor of Science





#### First Year Fall Hours **BIOL 1406** Biology I 4 General Chemistry I 4 CHEM 1411 ENGL 1301 Writing and Rhetoric I 3 **UNIV 1101** University Seminar I 1 HIST 1301 U.S. History to 1865 3 or HIST 1302 or U.S. History Since 1865 or HIST 2301 or Texas History 15 Hours Spring BIOL 1407 Biology II 4 CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II 4 Writing and Rhetoric II 3 ENGL 1302 **UNIV 1102** University Seminar II 1 HIST 1301 U.S. History to 1865 3 or HIST 1302 or U.S. History Since 1865 or HIST 2301 or Texas History 15 Hours Summer MATH 2413 Calculus I 4 Hours 4 Second Year Fall CHEM 3411 Organic Chemistry I 4 BIOL 2416 Genetics 3-4 or Microbiology or BIOL 2421 or BIOL 2371 or Principles of Evolution POLS 2305 U.S. Government and Politics 3 ARTS 1301 Art and Society 3 or ARTS 1303 or Art History Survey I or Film and Culture or MEDA 1305 or Understanding and Enjoying Music or MUSI 1306 or MUSI 1307 or Elements of Musical Style or THEA 1310 or Theatre Appreciation 13-14 Hours Spring CHEM 3412 Organic Chemistry II 4 BIOL 2416 3-4 Genetics or BIOL 2421 or Microbiology or BIOL 2371 or Principles of Evolution MATH 3342 Applied Probability and Statistics 3 or BIOL 3325 or Biostatistics ECON 1301 3 Introduction to Economics or ECON 2301 or Macroeconomics Principles or ECON 2302 or Microeconomics Principles or PSYC 2301 or General Psychology or SOCI 1301 or Introduction to Sociology 13-14 Hours

POLS 2306	State and Local Government	3
	Hours	3
Third Year		
Fall		
BIOL 3428	Principles of Ecology	4
BIOL 2416	Genetics	3-4
or BIOL 2421	or Microbiology	
or BIOL 2371	or Principles of Evolution	
PHYS 1401	General Physics I	4
or PHYS 2425	or University Physics I	
Biology Requirem	ent	4
	Hours	15-16
Spring		
BIOL 2300	Science Communication	3
BIOL 4406	Immunology	4
BIOL 3403	Molecular Biology	4
ENGL 2316	Literature and Culture	3
or ENGL 2332	or Literature of the Western World: From	
or ENGL 2333	the Classics to the Renaissance	
or PHIL 1301	or Literature of the Western World: From	
or PHIL 2306	the Enlightenment to the Present	
or SPAN 3307	or Introduction to Philosophy	
or SPAN 3308	or Introduction to Ethics	
or SPAN 3309	or Spanish Literature I	
or SPAN 3310	or Spanish Literature II or Spanish American Literature I	
	or Spanish American Literature I	
PHYS 1402	General Physics II	4
or PHYS 2426	or University Physics II	
	Hours	18
Fourth Year		
Fall		
BIMS 4374	Medical Microbiology	3
CHEM 4401	Biochemistry I	4
BIOL 3410	Cell Biology	4
Biology Requirem		4
57 1	Hours	15
Spring		
CHEM 4402	Biochemistry II	4
BIMS 3000:4999	biochemistry in	4
BIOL 3000:4999		4
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	Hours	16

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# CAREER MAP BIOLOGY - MICROBIOLOGY TRACK



Bachelor of Science

The biology program provides diverse training for careers in the biological sciences. The biology curriculum includes content courses required for teacher certification in life science, acceptance to post-graduate studies, and pre-professional studies in preparation for admission to professional schools.

Students will acquire content and skills to enter a variety of biology-related careers such as research, marine biology, wildlife and coastal management, environmental protection, laboratory technician, biotechnology industry, medical or environmental microbiology, technical writing, pharmaceutical sales, careers in the medical, dental, and allied health fields, and science education.

Field and laboratory courses emphasize the development of practical skills in using special materials and equipment. Focus is on enhancement of critical thinking skills, which will prepare the student for careers in the biological sciences as well as in other general areas of employment. The undergraduate biology degree has six tracks, fitting a wide variety of student interests and career goals. These tracks include: Cellular & Molecular Biology, Ecology, Integrative Biology, Marine Biology, Microbiology, Organismal Biology. The biology core provides students with a broad biological background and includes coursework in four key areas:

mathematics, the chemistry of life/cell biology, form and function, and organismal biology. In each of these areas students select one course from a list of appropriate courses, depending on their interests and choice of biology career track. The biology career track areas are: (A) Ecology, (B) Marine Biology, (C) Cell/Molecular Biology, (D) Microbiology, (E) Organismal Biology and (F) Integrative Biology.

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### ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

1. American Fisheries Society

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- 2. Association for the Sciences of Limnology and
- Oceanography
- 3. Society for Marine Mammalogy

#### **STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

- American Cetacean Society Student Coalition
- Pre-Veterinary Society
- SACNAS Chapter at Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
- Pre-Dental Society
- American Medical Student Association
- Sea Turtle Club
- American Fisheries Society
- Indian Student Association
- Islander Green Team
- Health Sciences Association
- Student Council of Math and Science Teachers

### **CAREER OPTIONS**

Researcher	Pharmaceutical Sales	
Marine Biologist	Laboratory Technician	
Medical Microbiologist	Science Teacher	
Environmental Biologist	Wildlife and Coastal Management	
Professional School (Med s optometry, etc.)	school, dental school,	

SKILLS/ATTRIBUTES		
Communication Skills		
Research		
<ul> <li>Ability to use scientific equipment and organize and maintain accurate records</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Aptitude for scientific inquiry and problem solving</li> </ul>		
Ability to organize, analyze and interpret scientific data		
<ul> <li>Conduct and clearly explain scientific research</li> </ul>		
• Teamwork		

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