ACADEMIC MAP Organismal-Plant Biology Track Biology, Bachelor of Science



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First Year Fall		Hours	Third Year Fall		
BIOL 1406	Biology I	4	BIOL 3428	Principles of Ecology	
CHEM 1411	General Chemistry I	4	BIOL 2416	Genetics	
ENGL 1301	Writing and Rhetoric I	3	or BIOL 2421	or Microbiology	
UNIV 1101	University Seminar I	1	or BIOL 2371	or Principles of Evolution	
			BIOL 3000:4999		
HIST 1301 or HIST 1302	U.S. History to 1865	3			
or HIST 2301	or U.S. History Since 1865 or Texas History		BIOL 3000:4999		
	Hours	15	BIOL 3000:4999		
Spring				Hours	
BIOL 1407	Biology II	4	Spring		
CHEM 1412	General Chemistry II	4	BIOL 3455	Plant form and Function	
ENGL 1302	Writing and Rhetoric II	3	BIOL 3479	Plant Ecology	
UNIV 1102	University Seminar II	1			
HIST 1301	U.S. History to 1865	3	BIOL 2472	Principles of Botany	
or HIST 1302 or HIST 2301	or U.S. History Since 1865 or Texas History		MATH 3342	Applied Probability and Statistics	
	Hours	15	or BIOL 3325	or Biostatistics	
Summer				Hours	
MATH 2413	Calculus I	4	Fourth Year		
	Hours	4	Fall		
Second Year			Biology Requirem	ent	
Fall			ECON 1301	Introduction to Economics	
CHEM 3411	Organic Chemistry I	4	or ECON 2301	or Macroeconomics Principles	
BIOL 2416 or BIOL 2421	Genetics or Microbiology	3-4	or ECON 2302	or Microeconomics Principles	
or BIOL 2371	or Principles of Evolution		or PSYC 2301	or General Psychology	
ENGL 2316	Literature and Culture	3	or SOCI 1301	or Introduction to Sociology	
or ENGL 2332	or Literature of the Western World: From		BIOL 3000:4999	57	
or ENGL 2333 or PHIL 1301	the Classics to the Renaissance or Literature of the Western World: From				
or PHIL 2306	the Enlightenment to the Present		BIOL 3000:4999		
or SPAN 3307	or Introduction to Philosophy		Biology Requirem	ent	
or SPAN 3308	or Introduction to Ethics			Hours	
or SPAN 3309 or SPAN 3310	or Spanish Literature I or Spanish Literature II		Spring		
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	or Spanish American Literature II		BIOL 3000:4999		
POLS 2305	U.S. Government and Politics	3			
	Hours	13-14	BIOL 3000:4999		
Spring				Hours	
CHEM 3412	Organic Chemistry II Science Communication	4		Total Hours	1
BIOL 2300 BIOL 2416	Genetics	3 3-4			
or BIOL 2421	or Microbiology	3-4			
or BIOL 2371	or Principles of Evolution				
POLS 2306	State and Local Government	3			
1070 1001					
	Art and Society	3			
or ARTS 1303	or Art History Survey I	3			
		3			
or MEDA 1305	or Art History Survey I or Film and Culture	3			

Hours

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CAREER MAP





BIOLOGY - ORGANISMAL - PLANT BIOLOGY 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 preprofessional 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 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 school, dental school, optometry, etc.)			

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

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