Biology, Minor

The Department of Biology offers a minor in biology, which involves taking five biology courses, two of which must have a corequisite lab. The minor provides students with a foundation in the five core concepts of biology: evolution, energy transformations, biological structure from the molecular to the ecosystem scale, information flow, and systems biology.

Minor Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified.

Restrictions

This minor is not available for students who major in biology, biochemistry, behavioral neuroscience, cell and molecular biology, marine biology, ecology and evolutionary biology, or any combined major that involves those subjects listed above.

Required Biology Courses

BIOL 5301 to BIOL 5597

Complete five biology courses for a total of at least 22 semester hours. Two of the five courses must contain a lab corequisite.

Code	Title	Hours
Introductory Biology 1		
Complete one of the following course with lab: 5		
BIOL 1107 and BIOL 1108	Foundations of Biology and Lab for BIOL 1107	
BIOL 1111 and BIOL 1112	General Biology 1 and Lab for BIOL 1111	
Introductory Biology 2		
Complete one of the following courses:		4-5
BIOL 2299	Inquiries in Biological Sciences	
BIOL 1113 and BIOL 1114	General Biology 2 and Lab for BIOL 1113	
Genetics		
BIOL 2301 and BIOL 2302	Genetics and Molecular Biology and Lab for BIOL 2301 (requires introductory chemistry prerequisites)	5
Organismal and Evolutionary Biology Course List		
Code	Title	Hours
Complete at least one of the following:		4
BIOL 2327	Human Parasitology	
BIOL 3401	Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy	
BIOL 3413	Current Topics in Organismal and Population Biology	
BIOL 5585	Evolution	
EEMB 2290 to EEMB 3450		
EEMB 3460 to EEMB 5130		
Code	Title	Hours
The remaining courses can be selected from advanced biology electives.	n either the organismal and evolutionary biology list or from the list of intermediate/	4-5
Intermediate/Advanced Biology Electives		
Code	Title	Hours
BIOL 2221 and BIOL 2222	Foundations of Microbiology and Lab for BIOL 2221	
BIOL 2327 to BIOL 3990		
BIOL 4705 to BIOL 4709		

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GPA Requirement

2.000 GPA required in the minor