Biology BA at a Glance

Program Overview:

The Department of Biological Sciences at FIU provides training and research opportunities for undergraduates and graduate students in a wide range of biological disciplines. The Bachelor of Arts degree offers students with four different tracks to cater to varying career or master's degree goals. These include Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Athletic Training, Physician Assistant, Business, Entrepreneurship, Laboratory Management, Public Health, Environmental Policy, Environmental Management, Law School, Scientific Writing, and more. The mission of the Department of Biological Sciences is to educate broadly-trained life scientists, to carry out basic and applied biological research, to disseminate the results of our research, and to provide meaningful service to the University, the local community, and the World.

Prerequisites:

BCH 2020 Foundations of Biochemistry
BSC 2300 Biological Organization: Size & Scale of Life
BSC 2010 General Biology I
BSC 2010L General Biology I Lab
BSC 2011 General Biology II
BSC 2011L General Biology II Lab
CHM 1045 General Chemistry I
CHM 1045L General Chemistry I Lab

-OR- MAC 1140 Pre-Calculus Algebra
-AND- MAC 1114 Trigonometry

PHY 2053 Physics w/o Calculus I
STA 3111 Statistics I

-OR- STA 2122 Statistics I for Behavioral & Social Sciences

Available Tracks:

Allied Health Professions Track
Bio-entrepreneur Track
Health, Environmental Policy and Pre-Law Track
Science Communication Track
Careers/Job Opportunities:

- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Athletic Training
- Physician Assistant
- City/Community Health Official
- Environmental Law
- Public Health Administrator
- Environmental Planning / Policy
- Environmental Activist
- Scientific Writer / Editor
- Scientific Media Specialist
- Clinical Lab Management
- Entrepreneur within Bio Industry
- Pharmaceutical Representative
- Bioethicist

Recommended Minors, Certificates, or Second Majors:

- Chemistry Minor
- Business Minor
- English Minor
- Political Science Minor
- Pre-Law Certificate
- Professional & Public Writing Certificate
- Occupational Therapy Prerequisite Certificate
- Physical Therapy Prerequisite Certificate

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Helpful Links:

- Department Website: http://biology.fiu.edu
- CASE Advising Website: http://caseadvising.fiu.edu
- MyMajor Website: http://mymajor.fiu.edu
- Pre-Health Advising: http://prehealthadvise.fiu.edu

College Requirements:

- All majors in the college must complete 45 credits of upper division prior to graduation. Upper division courses are 3000/4000 level courses, major courses and outside electives can count towards this requirement.
- No 1 and 2-credit physical activity courses can be counted towards the 120 credits needed for graduation.