Biology BS-Forensic Biomolecular

Biology Track 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. Our mission 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. This track introduces students to historical and modern DNA typing, human and nonhuman forensics, best laboratory practices and applicability of DNA to criminalistics. It also focuses on critical thinking with respect to methodology selection as well as the future of forensic science.

Prerequisites:

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
CHM 1046 General Chemistry II
CHM 1046L General Chemistry II Lab
CHM 2210 Organic Chemistry I
CHM 2210L Organic Chemistry I Lab

CHM 2211 Organic Chemistry II
CHM 2211L Organic Chemistry II Lab
PHY 2048 Physics with Calculus I
-OR- PHY 2053 Physics w/o Calculus I
PHY 2048L Physics I Lab
PHY 2049 Physics with Calculus II
-OR- PHY 2054 Physics w/o Calculus II
PHY 2049L Physics II Lab
MAC 2311 Calculus I
MAC 2312 Calculus II -OR- STA 3111 Statistics I and STA 3112 Statistics II
Careers/Job Opportunities:

- Pharmaceutical Researcher
- Clinical Lab Scientist
- Genetic Counselor
- Physicn
- Forensic Scientist
- Public Health Administrator
- Food Safety Expert
- Pharmacist
- Microbiologist
- Epidemiologist
- DNA Analyst
- Dentist
- Veterinarian
- Optometrist
- Forensic Lab Technician
- Biotechnology Researcher
- Drug testing/Quality Control
- Lab Supervisor/Manager
- City/Community Health Official
- Secondary Education Teacher
- Bioethicist

Recommended Minors, Certificates, or Second Majors:

- Chemistry Minor
- Psychology Minor
- Nutrition Minor
- Certificate in Forensic Science
- Natural and Applied Sciences Second Major

Advising Contact Information:

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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.