



2015-2016 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET

Degree: Bachelor of Science

Major: Biological Sciences

Concentration: Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology

About This Major . . .

The Bachelor of Science degree with a Biological Sciences major provides a broad background in the biological sciences. Students choose biology courses from four categories: cellular, molecular, and developmental biology; anatomical and physiological biology; organismal biology; and ecology, evolution, and systematics. The Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology Concentration will provide a solid background in ecology and evolution, and offers field courses in a variety of areas, in addition to internships and research opportunities. Graduates of this program may pursue careers in ecology, plant biology, fish and wildlife biology, and evolutionary biology, which are just a few of the career options available.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html>

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a breadth of knowledge in the life sciences with an accompanying depth of knowledge particularly in the key areas of organismal diversity, ecology, evolution, and genetics. (Specialized Knowledge)
2. Utilize the scientific approach to address novel questions and problems through the development of hypotheses, design of experiments, collection of data, analysis of data, and interpretation of results. (Quantitative Fluency/Applied Learning)
3. Identify, examine, evaluate, and discuss the scientific literature. (Critical Thinking)
4. Articulate biological principles and ideas effectively, both in written and oral form. (Communication Fluency)

NAME: _____ STUDENT ID #: _____

LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER: _____

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I, (Signature) _____, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I have read and understand the policies listed on the last page of this program sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

Signature of Advisor Date _____ 20____

Signature of Department Head Date _____ 20____

Signature of Registrar Date _____ 20____

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

- 120 semester hours total (Students must complete a minimum of 30 of the last 60 hours of credit at CMU, with at least 15 semester hours in major discipline courses numbered 300 or higher).
- 40 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken at the 300-400 course levels within the major at CMU).
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework
- A 2.5 GPA is required in the major courses. A "C" or higher is required in all major courses.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- A student must follow the CMU graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student's faculty advisor and Department Head.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- Essential Learning Capstone should be completed between 45 and 75 hours.
- See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the catalog for additional graduation information.

ESSENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS (31 semester hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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English (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

ENGL 111	English Composition	3	_____	_____
ENGL 112	English Composition	3	_____	_____

Math MATH 113 or higher (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

MATH 113	College Algebra	4*	_____	_____
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*3 credits apply to the Essential Learning requirements and 1 credit applies to elective credit.

Humanities (3 semester hours)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 semester hours)

Natural Sciences (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab.)

PHYS 112/112L* is typically required for admission to graduate schools. If chosen, 4 credits apply to the Essential Learning requirement and 1 credit applies to elective credit.

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History (3 semester hours)

HIST	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Fine Arts (3 semester hours)

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WELLNESS REQUIREMENT (2 semester hours)

KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____

ESSENTIAL LEARNING CAPSTONE (4 semester hours)

ESSL 290	Maverick Milestone (see English & math pre-reqs)	3	_____	_____
ESSL 200	Essential Speech (co-requisite)	1	_____	_____

FOUNDATION COURSES (17-19 semester hours) Must receive a grade of "C" or better and should be completed by the end of the sophomore year.

BIOL 105	Attributes of Living Systems	3	_____	_____
BIOL 105L	Attributes of Living Systems Lab	1	_____	_____
CHEM 131*	General Chemistry I	4	_____	_____
CHEM 131L*	General Chemistry I Lab	1	_____	_____
CHEM 132*	General Chemistry	4	_____	_____
CHEM 132L*	General Chemistry Lab	1	_____	_____
STAT 200†	Probability and Statistics	3	_____	_____
	OR			
MATH 151†	Calculus I	5	_____	_____

*A higher level subject may be taken in the same category with advisor approval. Organic Chemistry may be required for admission to some graduate programs.

†Statistics and Calculus may be required for admission to some graduate programs.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

(51 semester hours) A 2.5 GPA is required in the major courses. A "C" or better is required in all major courses.

Required Core Courses (10 semester hours)

BIOL 208	Fundamentals of Ecology and Evolution	3	_____	_____
BIOL 208L	Fundamentals of Ecology and Evolution Lab	1	_____	_____
BIOL 301	Principles of Genetics	3	_____	_____
BIOL 301L	Principles of Genetics Lab	1	_____	_____
BIOL 483	Senior Thesis	2	_____	_____

Required Related Study Area (21 semester hours)

PHYS 111	General Physics I	4	_____	_____
PHYS 111L	General Physics I Lab	1	_____	_____
BIOL 106	Principles of Animal Biology	3	_____	_____
BIOL 106L	Principles of Animal Biology Lab	1	_____	_____
BIOL 107	Principles of Plant Biology	3	_____	_____
BIOL 107L	Principles of Plant Biology Lab	1	_____	_____
BIOL 403	Evolution	3	_____	_____
BIOL 405	Advanced Ecological Methods	3	_____	_____
BIOL 405L	Advanced Ecological Methods Lab	2	_____	_____

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
Additional Biology Courses (20 semester hours, chosen from the lists below) At least 16 of the credit hours must be 300 level or above.				

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
Electives (13-15 credit hours) (All college level courses, not listed above , that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours, including 40 upper division hours.) Up to 10 upper division hours may be needed. BIOL 499 Internship or research courses are recommended.				
MATH 113	College Algebra	1*		
PHYS112/112L	General Physics	1*		

- Category 1: Cellular, Molecular, and Developmental**
- BIOL 302 Cellular Biology (3)
 - BIOL 310/310L Developmental Biology and Lab (3) / (2)
 - BIOL 343 Immunology (3)
 - BIOL 344/344L Forensic Molecular Biology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 371L Lab Investigations in Cellular and Molecular Biology (3)
 - BIOL 425 Molecular Genetics (3)
 - BIOL 442 Pharmacology (3)
 - CHEM 315/315L Biochemistry I and Lab (3) / (1)
 - CHEM 316 Biochemistry II (3)

- Category 2: Organismal**
- BIOL 250/250L Intro to Microbiology and Lab (3) / (2)
 - BIOL 316/316L Animal Behavior and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 322/322L Plant Identification and Lab (2) / (2)
 - BIOL 331/331L Insect Biology and Lab (3) / (2)
 - BIOL 333 Marine Biology (3)
 - BIOL 335/335L Invertebrate Zoology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 336 Fish Biology (3)
 - BIOL 350/350L Microbiology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 411/411L Mammalogy and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 412/412L Ornithology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 413/413L Herpetology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 431/431L Animal Parasitology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 433 Marine Invertebrate Communities (3)
 - BIOL 450/450L Mycology and Lab (3) / (2)

- Category 3: Anatomical and Physiological**
- BIOL 209/209L Human Anatomy & Physiology I and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 210/210L Human Anatomy & Physiology II and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 241 Pathophysiology (4)
 - BIOL 341/341L General Physiology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 342/342L Histology and Lab (2) / (2)
 - BIOL 409/409L Gross and Developmental Human Anatomy (2) / (2)
 - BIOL 410/410L Human Osteology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 421/421L Plant Physiology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 423/423L Plant Anatomy and Lab (3) / (2)
 - BIOL 426/426L Intro to Electron Microscopy and Lab (2) / (2)
 - BIOL 441 Endocrinology (3)

- Category 4: Ecology, Evolution, and Systematics**
- BIOL 211/211L Ecosystem Biology and Lab (4) / (1)
 - BIOL 315 Epidemiology (3)
 - BIOL 320 Plant Systematics (3)
 - BIOL 321/321L Taxonomy of Grasses and Lab (2) / (2)
 - BIOL 332/332L Introduction to GIS (2) / (1)
 - BIOL 406 Plant-Animal Interactions (3)
 - BIOL 407 Tropical Field Biology (5)
 - BIOL 408 Desert Ecology (3)
 - BIOL 414/414L Aquatic Biology and Lab (3) / (1)
 - BIOL 415 Tropical Ecosystems (2)
 - BIOL 418/418L Wildlife Management and Lab (3) / (2)
 - GEOG 305 Cartography for GIS (1)
 - GEOG 131 Introduction to Cartography (3)

NOTE: Topics courses (BIOL 196/296/396/496) as well as research courses (BIOL 387/487), internships (BIOL 499), teaching practicum (BIOL 493), and independent study (BIOL 495) may not be used as Additional Biology Courses but must be used for elective credit.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES – ECOLOGY, EVOLUTION, AND ORGANISMAL BIOLOGY

This is a recommended sequence of course work. Certain courses may have prerequisites or are offered only during the Fall or Spring semesters. It is the student's responsibility to meet with the assigned advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Colorado Mesa website for course availability.

FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
BIOL 105	3	BIOL 106	3
BIOL 105L	1	BIOL 106L	1
CHEM 131	4	CHEM 132	4
CHEM 131L	1	CHEM 132L	1
MATH 113	4	STAT 200	3-5
KINE 100	<u>1</u>	MATH 151	5
	14	ENGL 111	<u>3</u>
			15-17

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
BIOL 107	3	BIOL 208	3
BIOL 107L	1	BIOL 208L	1
PHYS 111	4	BIOL 301	3
PHYS 111L	1	BIOL 301L	1
ENGL 112	3	ESSL	5
ESSL	<u>3</u>	(PHYS 112/112L recommended)	
	15	KINA	<u>1</u>
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JUNIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
BIOL 403	3	BIOL 405	3
BIOL XXX (selected from list)	6	BIOL 405L	2
ESSL	3	ESSL	3
ESSL 290	3	ESSL	3
ESSL 200	<u>1</u>	Electives	<u>4</u>
	16		15

SENIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
BIOL XXX (selected from list)	7	BIOL 483	2
Electives	3	BIOL XXX (selected from list)	7
ESSL	3	Electives	<u>4-6</u>
ESSL	<u>3</u>		13-15
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POLICIES:

1. Please see the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.** You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office **by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature. Finally, the Department Head will submit the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
4. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
5. NOTE: During your senior year, you will be required to take a capstone exit assessment/project (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test).