



COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

General Requirements for Students Matriculating in Academic Year 2012-2013

BACHELOR of SCIENCE

MAJOR: Biological Science

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00 Total Hours: 124

(cumulative graduation/retention GPA)

Other GPA requirements, see below.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: 41 HOURS		
Area	Hours	To be selected from:
English Composition & Oral Communication	6	ENGL 1113 or 1313; & 1213 or 1413 or 3323 (See Academic Regulation 3.5 in Catalog)
American History & Government	6	HIST 1103; POLS 1113
Analytical & Quantitative Thought (A)	6	MATH 1513 and 1613; or 1715
Humanities (H)	6	Courses designated (H)
Natural Sciences (N)	8	PHYS 1114* and 1214*; or PHYS 2014* and 2114*
Social & Behavioral Sciences (S)	6	Courses designated (S)
Diversity (D)	--	Course designated (D) (see note 1.b.)
International Dimension (I)	--	Course designated (I) (see note 1.b.)
Scientific Investigation (L)	--	Course designated (L) (see note 1.b.)
Controlled Electives	3	Any course with a GE designation in any of the above areas

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 56 HOURS

Minimum GPA 2.50 in Major Requirements OR minimum grade of "C" in each course.

BIOL 1114, 3023, 3034
 BOT 1404
 BOT 3463 or ZOO 3204
 CHEM 3015; or 3053, 3112, 3153
 MICR 2123, 2132, 3033
 STAT 4013
 ZOO 1604, 4133

Choose one of the following laboratory-based Botany courses:

BOT 3005	BOT 3233
BOT 3013	BOT 3462 & 3463
BOT 3024	BOT 3553
BOT 3114	BOT 4214

Choose 6 hours of upper-division coursework from*: BIOL, BOT, MICR, ZOO.

You may need additional hours to reach the required 56 hours. Choose remaining 1-6 upper-division related hours (as approved by the departmental advisor) from the following. No more than 3 hours of courses with a general education designation may be used*:

ANSI 3543	GEOG	PLP
BIOC	GEOL	PSYC 3073 (N)
BIOL	HORT	SOIL
BOT	MATH	STAT
CHEM	MICR (except 3103)	ZOO
ENGL 3323	NREM	
ENTO	PLNT	

* With approval from the adviser and department head, a maximum of 30 hours from an accredited doctoral health program may be used for these areas, 14 hours of electives, BIOL 3034, and STAT 4013.

*College and Departmental Requirements that may be used to meet GE Requirements.

COLLEGE/DEPARTMENTAL REQUIREMENTS: 13 HOURS		
Orientation	1	A&S 1111 (transfer students with 15 hours exempt)
Arts and Humanities	3	_____ (see note 2.a.)
Natural & Mathematical Sciences	9	CHEM 1314, 1515

ELECTIVES: 14 HOURS

1 hour may need to be upper-division.

Other Requirements: See notes 1, 2 & 3 on back of degree sheet
Foreign Language Proficiency: See note 3 on back of sheet.
Upper-Division Gen Ed: 6 hours outside major department (BIOL, BOT, MICR, ZOO).
Upper-Division Credit: The Biological Science degree requires at least 48 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.
Hours in One Department: Hours in one department (BIOL, BOT, MICR, ZOO) in excess of 54 will be added to the minimum total of 124 required for graduation.

Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.

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DEPARTMENT HEAD

College of Arts and Sciences

1. General Education Requirements

- a. No more than two courses (or eight hours) from the major department may be used to meet General Education and College and Departmental Requirements.

The General Education Controlled Elective, required English Composition, required U.S. History, required American Government, and one required MATH course do not count against the two-course maximum.

- b. The Diversity, International Dimension, Scientific Investigation and Non-Western requirements may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
- c. Courses in the major department may not be used to satisfy the College requirement for six hours upper-division General Education.

2. A&S College/Departmental Requirements

- a. Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from ART, MUSI, PHIL (except 1313 and 3003), REL, TH, creative writing, foreign languages (second year and above), linguistics and literature. No more than six hours may be music or theatre performance or art studio.
- b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOC, BIOL, BOT, CHEM, CS (except 4883), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PHYS, STAT and ZOO; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.
- c. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A. (see 1.b. above). One 3-hour course in Non-Western Studies from: A&S 2000 (Intro to African Studies); ANTH 3443, 4223; ART 3693, 4603, 4653, 4663, 4673, 4683; ECON 4643; ENGL 3173, 3183; ENGL 3190 (African Novel); GEOG 3753, 3783; HIST 1713, 3013, 3053, 3203, 3403, 3413, 3423, 3433, 3503, 3513, 3523, 3543, 3553; HONR 3033; JAPN 1225, 2113, 2223; MUSI 3583; PHIL 3943; POLS 3053, 3313; REL 3573, 3613, 4050 (Understanding Islam), 4113; RUSS 3053; SOC 4533, 4653.

3. Foreign Language Proficiency

- a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 10 hours college credit in the same language, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; completing a second-year or higher college-level course in the language, etc.).
- b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second year level of study). It may also be satisfied by any of the options listed above for the B.A.

4. Exclusions

- a. Courses used to satisfy the English Composition, American History and Government requirement will not count toward the 54 hour maximum allowed from one department.
- b. Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefix and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit in the College of Arts & Sciences.

5. Teacher Certification

Students can satisfy the requirements for secondary schools teaching certification while earning a B.A. or B.S. in the College of Arts & Sciences. Those interested should see their Arts and Sciences adviser and the OSU Professional Education Unit in room 325 Willard.