We have entered a new and exciting era of scientific understanding that has taken concepts like genetics, nanoscience and biotechnology out of the realm of science fiction and into everyday life. New applications of science will continue to have profound effects. Thus, graduates with training in any of the biological, mathematical, or physical sciences offered in the College of Natural Science are finding employment opportunities in high technology, as well as in teaching, communications, the environment, medicine and many other areas.

The mission of the College of Natural Science closely parallels the mission of the University and represents a commitment to research, education, and service. The College of Natural Science is one of the largest colleges within the University and includes academic programs in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics, Chemistry, Geologic Sciences, Mathematics, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, Neuroscience, Physics and Astronomy, Physiology, Plant Biology, Statistics and Probability, and Zoology. It also includes the W. K. Kellogg Biological Station, a world-class biological research center.

All departments within the College offer both undergraduate and graduate students experience conducting research in laboratories. Students in the College of Natural Science have access to a range of research and laboratory facilities on campus, in addition to unique research opportunities in facilities like the MSU/DOE Plant Research Laboratory, the National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory, and the W. K. Kellogg Biological Station. A special on-site research and science teaching program for both undergraduate and graduate students is offered at the Station during the summer session, including the SpartaNature seminar for incoming freshmen. Graduate students may also choose to enter one of the college’s interdisciplinary research programs in Genetics; Cell and Molecular Biology; Mathematics Education, Neuroscience; and Ecology, Evolutionary Biology and Behavior.

Promoting science literacy—opening up the world of science to young people is the key to comprehending the total impact of new scientific developments in our lives. Already our environment is threatened by such things as insecticides, food additives, and toxic wastes. Our future leaders must have an appreciation of the sciences in order to make informed decisions regarding the preservation of our environment. To that end, the College of Natural Science offers credit courses in communities throughout Michigan in cooperation with University Outreach and Engagement programs.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Undergraduate students in the College of Natural Science may opt for either a Bachelor of Science or a Bachelor of Arts degree program.

The college offers programs of study culminating in a bachelor’s degree with either a departmental or an interdepartmental major. All programs are liberal in character and involve a specified minimum of nonscience credits in addition to those needed to meet integrative studies requirements. Electives in both major and nonmajor areas make it possible to mold a program of interest and challenge for each student.

The departmental major features study in a single discipline and is generally considered the proper choice for concentrated study in a limited area. A departmental major consists of not fewer than 27 nor more than 79 credits in courses recognized by the college as applicable to the major. Specific major requirements are given in the sections that follow. Departmental majors are available through Lyman Birggs College as coordinate majors.
The **interdepartmental major** features study in several disciplines with no single discipline being dominant and is generally considered the proper choice if breadth of background in several fields of the natural sciences is desired. The college offers interdepartmental majors: biological science–interdepartmental, earth science–interdepartmental, human biology, and physical science. In addition, the College of Education, in cooperation with the College of Natural Science, offers an integrated science teaching major for students accepted in elementary education, as well as an integrated science endorsement for secondary education science majors. For further information, refer to the section on MSU SUBJECT MATTER TEACHING MAJORS AND MINORS FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of the catalog. The interdepartmental major consists of a minimum of 45 credits (biological science) or 36 credits (earth science) and 50 credits (physical science) and not more than 67 credits in courses recognized by the college as applicable toward the major. Interdepartmental majors are available through Lyman Briggs College as coordinate majors. Interdisciplinary majors are also available through Lyman Briggs College.

**Major Preference Students**

Students who meet the general requirements for admission to the university shown in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog and who are not enrolled in Lyman Briggs College are enrolled in the Undergraduate University Division but may declare a major preference in the College of Natural Science and be assigned an academic advisor in this college. All programs in the biological sciences, physical sciences, and mathematics presume a minimum of two and one-half entrance units in mathematics (one and one-half units of algebra and one unit of geometry).

**Admission as a Junior to the College of Natural Science**

1. Completion of at least 56 credits acceptable to the college with an academic record which at least meets the requirements of Academic Standing of Undergraduate Students.
2. Acceptance as a major in one of the academic programs of the college.

**Graduation Requirements**

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog.

   Students who are enrolled in majors leading to Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees in the College of Natural Science may complete an alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that consists of:
   a. One course in Biological Science, Entomology, Microbiology, Physiology, Plant Biology, or Zoology.
   b. Chemistry 141 or 151 or 181H.
   c. Two credits of laboratory experience in biological or physical science.

   Credits earned in courses in the alternative track may also be counted toward college and major requirements for Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees.
2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the **Bachelor of Science** and **Bachelor of Arts** degrees that are listed below:
   a. The requirements for either a departmental major or an interdepartmental major of 27 to 79 credits. For specific requirements, see the sections that follow.
   b. A minimum grade–point average of 2.00 in courses in the student's major; i.e., in all courses that are required for the major and that are not counted toward college and University requirements.
   c. The following credit distribution requirements:
      1. A minimum of 30 credits in courses numbered 300 and above.
      2. A maximum of 67 credits in courses offered in a single curriculum division of the college; i.e., Biological Science or Mathematical Science or Physical Science.
   d. Only credits in courses graded on the numerical or Pass–No Grade system may be counted toward college and major requirements for Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees in the College of Natural Science. College of Natural Science students may not enroll in courses that are to be counted toward college and major requirements, including courses in other colleges, on a Credit–No Credit basis.
3. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for either the Bachelor of Science degree or the Bachelor of Arts degree that are listed below:

   a. Requirements for the **Bachelor of Science** degree:
      1. One semester of calculus.
      2. A second semester of calculus or one semester of statistics and probability.
      3. Two semesters of chemistry including at least one laboratory experience.
      4. Two semesters of physics.
      5. One semester of biological science.
   b. Requirements for the **Bachelor of Arts** degree:
      1. One semester of calculus.
      2. A second semester of calculus or one semester of statistics and probability.
      3. One semester each of biological science, chemistry, and physics including at least one laboratory experience.
      4. Six credits in courses in the arts and humanities or the social, behavioral, and economic sciences beyond the credits that are counted toward the University's Integrative Studies requirement.

Many major programs which lead to a Bachelor of Science degree require a proficiency greater than the college established minimum in one, or more, of the following fields: chemistry, physics, and mathematics. Also, for either the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degree, when two or more options exist for the fulfillment of any college—established requirement, one of the options may be specified as a major requirement. The specific requirements for each major program are given in the sections that follow.

Chemistry and mathematics requirements should be completed to the fullest extent possible during the freshman and sophomore years. Bachelor of Science candidates with a major in a physical science should complete the physics requirement during the sophomore year. Students with a major in a biological science may postpone completion of the physics requirement until the junior year, but should complete Biological Science 110, 111 by the end of the sophomore year. The biology courses should be completed during the freshman year because they are prerequisites to most of the courses offered by the departments in the biological sciences. All students should complete the University's Tier I writing requirement during the freshman year.
**Honors Study**

The College of Natural Science encourages honors students to develop distinctive undergraduate programs in their chosen fields. All qualified students in the college may also be members of the Honors College. A member of the faculty is selected to serve as advisor to Honors College students in each major field, and it is the advisor’s responsibility to help the student plan a rigorous and balanced program which will also reflect the student’s special interests and competencies.

The departments of the college annually offer numerous honors opportunities at both introductory and advanced levels. At the introductory level these consist chiefly of regularly offered honors courses. Honors options are also available in many other courses. At the advanced level honors students are encouraged to undertake faculty-guided independent research in their fields of specialization. These honors experiences are provided mainly, but not exclusively, for Honors College students. In addition, honors undergraduates are encouraged, when appropriate, to undertake work at the graduate level.

**Charles Drew Science Scholars**

The Charles Drew Science Scholars program was created to help students currently underrepresented in the sciences achieve the best possible preparation for pursuing their educational goals in the sciences and mathematics. The program is designed to: a) assist students with the transition from high school to college and b) to expose them to the vast number of career opportunities in the sciences.

These goals are attained, in part, through problem-solving courses, specially designed courses in mathematics, and designated sections of biology and chemistry courses. In addition, tutoring is available and students are exposed to both successful undergraduate and graduate role models.

The purpose of this program is, through advising and focused academic support, to help interested and motivated students develop the foundation for successful careers in science. Students are encouraged to contact the College of Natural Science for additional information about this program.

**Preprofessional Programs**

All professional colleges have established minimum requirements in selected areas of knowledge for admission (hereafter referred to as admission requirements). Although fulfilling these requirements does not in itself guarantee admission, their fulfillment is a necessary first step for those who aspire to enter a professional college.

At Michigan State University students may select programs of study which help to prepare them for enrollment in professional colleges. Since the admission requirements of various professional colleges vary, it is not feasible to establish a single program that satisfies the admission requirements of all colleges in a given profession. However, in the fields of dentistry, allopathic and osteopathic medicine, podiatry, and optometry, the College of Natural Science does have suggested programs of study. These programs satisfy the minimum admission requirements of most professional colleges. It is the student’s responsibility to determine whether or not the proposed program meets the minimum admission requirements of a particular professional college.

There are a number of programs of study which may be completed in the normal four years and which provide both the academic preparation for admission to a professional school and fulfill the requirements for a bachelor’s degree. The preprofessional programs as outlined do not in themselves lead to a bachelor’s degree.

**Requirements for the Predental Program**

Students who meet the requirements for admission to the university as freshmen and sophomores, as shown in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog, may select the predental program in the College of Natural Science as their major preference. Students who are enrolled in the predental program are enrolled in the Undergraduate University Division, but receive academic advising through the college.

University regulations require that a student who has arrived at junior standing must select a major leading to a baccalaureate degree. The College of Natural Science does not offer a bachelor’s degree program for predental students. Therefore, upon reaching junior standing, students who have been enrolled in the predental program must be admitted to a major in either the College of Natural Science or in another college in order to complete the requirements for a bachelor’s degree, regardless of whether they have completed the requirements for the predental program.

**PREMEDICAL PROGRAM (Including Pre–Osteopathy, Pre–Podiatry, Pre-Pharmacy, and Pre-Physician’s Assistant):**

Students who meet the requirements for admission to the university as freshmen and sophomores, as shown in the Undergraduate Education section of the catalog, may select the premedical program in the College of Natural Science as their major preference. Students who are enrolled in the premedical program must be admitted to a major in either the College of Natural Science or in another college in order to complete
the requirements for a bachelor's degree, regardless of whether they have completed the requirements for the premedical program.

Requirements for the Premedical Program
(including Pre–Osteopathy, Pre–Podiatry, Pre–Pharmacy, and Pre–Physician's Assistant)

1. A total of 90 credits in courses in the natural sciences, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and writing, including courses that are used to satisfy the University requirements and the courses that are listed below:
   a. All of the following courses (30 credits):
      - BS 110 Organisms and Populations 4
      - BS 111 Cells and Molecules 3
      - BS 111L Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory 2
      - CEM 141 General Chemistry 4
      - CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I 1
      - CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I 3
      - CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II 3
      - CEM 255 Organic Chemistry Laboratory 2
      - PHY 231 Introductory Physics I 3
      - PHY 232 Introductory Physics II 3
      - PHY 252 Introductory Physics Laboratory 1
      - PHY 255 Organic Chemistry Laboratory 2
   b. 3 additional credits in general chemistry selected from the following courses: Chemistry 142, 152, and 162.
   c. One 300–400 level course in biology with laboratory (3 credits) and another course in biology (3 credits).
   d. One additional course in biology, chemistry, or physics (3 credits).

   **NOTE:** Higher level equivalent biological science, chemistry, and physics course sequences may be substituted for the sequences listed above. Courses in biochemistry and genetics are highly recommended.

2. Students who are enrolled in the premedical program should complete the University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog.

   Students who are enrolled in the Premedical Program (including Pre–Osteopathy, Pre–Podiatry, Pre–Pharmacy, and Pre–Physician's Assistant) in the College of Natural Science may complete an alternative track in Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that consists of the following courses: Biological Science 110, 111, and 111L and Chemistry 141. The completion of Biological Science 110 and 111L satisfies the laboratory requirement. Biological Science 110, 111, and 111L and Chemistry 141 may be counted toward both the alternative track and the requirements for the premedical program referenced in item 1. a. above.

   A Tier I writing course is included in the University requirements. Students who are enrolled in the premedical program are required to meet the Tier II writing requirement approved for the student's major leading to the bachelor's degree.

**PREOPTOMETRY PROGRAM:**

Students who meet the requirements for admission to the university as freshmen and sophomores, as shown in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog, may select the preoptometry program in the College of Natural Science as their major preference. Students who are enrolled in the preoptometry program are enrolled in the Undergraduate University Division, but receive academic advising through the college.

University regulations require that a student who has arrived at junior standing must select a major leading to a baccalaureate degree. The College of Natural Science does not offer a bachelor's degree program for preoptometry students. Therefore, upon reaching junior standing, students who have been enrolled in the preoptometry program must be admitted to a major in either the College of Natural Science or in another college in order to complete the requirements for a bachelor's degree, regardless of whether they have completed the requirements for the preoptometry program.

Requirements for the Preoptometry Program

1. Specific courses are not listed since admission requirements of the colleges of optometry vary greatly and can be met in several ways. The common pattern of admission requirements is a total of 90 semester credits of which 6 to 8 credits are elected from each of the following areas: English, physics, mathematics, biological science, chemistry, psychology, and social science. Courses that are used to satisfy University, college, and major requirements may be counted toward the admission requirements of colleges of optometry.

2. Students who are enrolled in the preoptometry program should complete the University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog.

   A Tier I writing course is included in the University requirements. Students who are enrolled in the preoptometry program are required to meet the Tier II writing requirement approved for the student's major leading to the bachelor's degree.

**TEACHER CERTIFICATION OPTIONS**

The following disciplinary majors leading to bachelor's degrees in the College of Natural Science are available for teacher certification: biological science–interdepartmental, chemistry, earth science–interdepartmental, mathematics, physical science–interdepartmental, and physics.

The following disciplinary minors in the College of Natural Science are also available for teacher certification: biological science, chemistry, earth science, mathematics, and physics.

Students interested in elementary teacher certification in science should reference the section on MSU SUBJECT MATTER TEACHING MAJORS AND MINORS FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.

Students who elect the biology science–interdepartmental or the physical science–interdepartmental disciplinary major, or the biological science disciplinary minor, must contact the Center for Integrative Studies in General Science in the College of Natural Science.

Students who elect a chemistry disciplinary major or the chemistry disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Chemistry.

Students who elect the earth science–interdepartmental disciplinary major or the earth science disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Geological Sciences.

Students who elect a mathematics disciplinary major or the mathematics disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Mathematics.

Students who elect a physics disciplinary major or the physics disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

For additional information, refer to the statements on the disciplinary majors referenced above and to the statement on TEACHER CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.

**College of Natural Science Dual Degree Program: Bachelor of Science and Master of Science**

The dual degree program provides an opportunity for academically talented undergraduate students who are enrolled in Bachelor of Science degree programs in the College of Natural Science to enroll in graduate courses and conduct research toward the Master of Science degree while completing the last two years of their bachelor's degree programs.

All of the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degree programs in the College of Natural Science are available for inclusion in the dual degree program. Although most of the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degree programs are administered by departments and schools within the college, a few such programs are administered by the college. During the second semester of the sophomore year, the student should contact the unit or units that administer the Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degree programs that the student plans to pursue while enrolled in the dual degree program and apply for admission to those programs.

A student who is accepted into the dual degree program can be admitted to both the Bachelor of Science degree program and the Master of Science degree program as early as the beginning of
the junior year. Upon completion of the requirements for both the Bachelor of Science degree and the Master of Science degree, both degrees are awarded simultaneously. The Master of Science degree will not be awarded until the student has completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree.

To be admitted to the dual degree program, an applicant must:

1. Have a grade–point average of 3.00 or higher in all undergraduate course work.
2. Have a grade–point average of 3.00 or higher in all courses in the College of Natural Science.
3. Be accepted for admission by the graduate admissions committee of the college or department or school.

Departments and schools may specify additional requirements for admission to the dual degree program. The student should contact the appropriate department or school for additional information.

Within the first semester of enrollment in the dual degree program, the student's master's advisor must be identified and the student's master's guidance committee must be established. The advisor and the committee assist the student in developing a program of study for the Master of Science degree.

The student's program of study must be approved by the committee.

A student who is admitted to the dual degree program must:

1. Satisfy all of the requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree program to which the student was admitted. Although a minimum of 120 credits is required for the Bachelor of Science degree, more than 120 credits may be required for a given degree program.
2. Satisfy all of the requirements for the Master of Science degree program to which the student was admitted after being admitted to that program. Although a minimum of 30 credits is required for the Master of Science degree, more than 30 credits may be required for a given degree program.

The credits and courses that are used to satisfy the requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree may not be used to satisfy the requirements for the Master of Science degree.

Departments and schools may specify additional requirements for the dual degree program. The student should contact the appropriate department or school for additional information.

GRADUATE STUDY

The graduate programs of the College of Natural Science provide for advanced study with emphasis either in a single discipline or in the multidisciplinary areas of the biological sciences and the physical sciences. The graduate programs are designed to develop independent effort, encourage creative thinking, and educate the student in the fundamentals of basic research.

The programs of study lead to one of the following degrees: Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Arts for Teachers, and Doctor of Philosophy. The specific degrees available and the programs leading to them for each discipline are given in the departmental or program listing.

Each student's program of study is arranged to suit individual needs, the only restriction being that the final program must conform to one of the general patterns approved by the faculty. The general university requirements for these degrees are given in the Graduate Education section of this catalog. A department or college may specify additional requirements. Most of the departments in the college require participation in teaching during the course of the graduate program.

Students who are enrolled in doctoral degree programs in departments and programs emphasizing environmental science and policy may elect the Graduate Specialization in Environmental Science and Policy. For additional information, refer to the Graduate Specialization in Environmental Science and Policy statement in the College of Social Science section of this catalog.

Students who are enrolled in master's and doctoral degree programs in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the College of Natural Science, and the College of Veterinary Medicine may elect the Graduate Specialization in Fish and Wildlife Disease Ecology and Conservation Medicine. For additional information, refer to the statement on Graduate Specialization in Fish and Wildlife Disease Ecology and Conservation Medicine in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources section of this catalog.

Students who are enrolled in Master of Science degree programs in the departments of Entomology, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, and Plant Pathology may elect a Specialization in Food Safety. For additional information, refer to the statement on the specialization in the College of Veterinary Medicine section of this catalog.

BioMolecular Science Gateway - First Year

Students seeking a doctoral degree in biochemistry and molecular biology, cell and molecular biology, genetics, microbiology and molecular genetics, pharmacology and toxicology, or physiology should apply through the BioMolecular Science Gateway for admission to any of these Ph.D. programs. Students should select the Ph.D. program in which they have the greatest interest. During the first two semesters of enrollment, students will have the opportunity to choose and complete at least four courses in appropriate disciplinary subjects. In the spring semester of the first year, they will have the opportunity to continue with the Ph.D. program initially selected or change to one of the other five programs which aligns most closely with their educational goals. For additional information about the individual Ph.D. programs, refer to the statements on the Departments of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, and Physiology in the College of Natural Science section of this catalog, statements on the programs in Cell and Molecular Biology and Genetics in the College of Natural Science section of this catalog, and statement on the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology in the College of Osteopathic Medicine section of this catalog.

Master of Arts for Teachers

The Master of Arts for Teachers degree is designed to provide an enriching educational experience for teachers who are interested in a program of graduate study with less specialization in a science area than is common in most master's degree programs. The degree is for teachers who wish to take graduate work in a subject–matter area but who do not anticipate continuation of graduate study beyond the master's level. However, the student who holds the Master of Arts for Teachers degree may, upon the satisfactory completion of additional work as recommended by the appropriate academic unit, become eligible for admission to a doctoral program.

The degree may be earned with a major in chemistry, geological sciences, or mathematics.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university as described in the Graduate Education section of this catalog, students must meet the requirements specified below.
Admission
An applicant for admission to the Master of Arts for Teachers program must be a senior in or a graduate of an institution having substantially the same requirements for the bachelor’s degree as Michigan State University, and possess, or be a candidate for, a teacher’s certificate. Admission is recommended by the director of the program in which admission is sought, with approval of the Dean of the College of Natural Science.

Requirements for the Master of Arts for Teachers Degree
An appropriate course of study is planned with the candidate by an advisor from the academic unit in the College of Natural Science to which the candidate has been admitted. The minimum number of credits required for the degree is 30, in addition to any credits which must be taken to complete requirements for provisional teacher certification. A comprehensive written or oral examination may be required. A thesis is usually not required, but should one be required, a maximum of 10 semester credits may be allotted for it. The student must complete the requirements for provisional teacher certification before the degree may be granted.

Academic Standards
The minimum standard is a 3.00 grade–point average. Standards may be set higher than the minimum by the academic unit responsible for the degree program. The accumulation of grades below 3.0 in more than three courses of 3 or more credits each, or deferrals in more than three courses of 3 or more credits each at any given time, or a combination of the above in excess of four courses may remove the student from candidacy for the degree. A student who fails to meet the academic standards for any program may, on recommendation of the director, be required by the dean to withdraw at the end of any semester.

Residence
The minimum residence requirement is 8 credits on campus. Some programs may require more.

Time Limit
The time limit for completion of the Master of Arts for Teachers degree is six years from the beginning of the first semester in which credit was earned toward the degree.

Doctor of Philosophy
The Doctor of Philosophy degree is awarded for an original contribution to scientific knowledge and high attainment of scholarship in the mathematical or natural sciences. This degree, with its emphasis on research in the frontiers of science, is the traditional terminal degree in the College of Natural Science.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university as described in the Graduate Education section of this catalog, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Admission may be granted to a student who has a record of high scholastic attainment and demonstrated research potential acceptable to the department or program and to the college. A master’s degree in an appropriate subject–matter field may be required, but the completion of a master’s degree is not a guarantee of admission. Most programs require the applicant to submit Graduate Record Examination General Test scores; many also require the Graduate Record Examination Subject Test in the area of specialization.

Admission to provisional status may be used to indicate incomplete records, incomplete interpretation of available records, a grade–point average below 3.00 but with other evidence of good capacity, or minor deficiencies in subject matter.

Students may be transferred from one classification to another at any time by the dean, normally upon the recommendation of the department.
Academic Standards
The minimum standard is a 3.00 grade–point average. Standards may be set higher than the minimum by the academic unit responsible for the degree program. The accumulation of grades below 3.0 in more than three courses of 3 or more credits each, or deferrals in more than three courses of 3 or more credits each at any given time, or a combination of the above in excess of four courses automatically removes the student from candidacy for the degree.

A student who fails to meet the academic standards for any program may, on recommendation of the director, be required by the dean to withdraw at the end of any semester.

Residence
In some programs a student may be permitted to enter the doctoral program without taking a master’s degree. In such cases 30 semester credits of approved work are considered the equivalent of the master’s degree, and the minimum residence requirement for the combined program is three semesters, involving at least 4 credits of graduate work each semester.

MATHEMATICS EDUCATION
The Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Mathematics Education are administered jointly by the College of Natural Science and the College of Education. The College of Natural Science is the primary administrative unit.

Master of Science
The Master of Science Degree in Mathematics Education is designed for persons who show promise of becoming researchers and leaders in state, national, and international mathematics education communities. The program prepares researchers and leaders to address critical questions about mathematics education. Students will have opportunities to develop analytical perspectives on current issues in mathematics education.

Students who may be interested in this program include the following: (1) graduates of undergraduate mathematics or mathematics education programs who are interested in research-based academic careers; (2) K–12 teachers who intend to return to the classroom with strong, research-oriented knowledge and experience in mathematics education; (3) graduates of undergraduate mathematics or mathematics education programs who are interested in the application of knowledge to curriculum or policy development, curriculum development, policy, assessment, etc., not necessarily with a focus on research; and (4) graduates of master’s or doctoral programs in mathematics who wish to become mathematics education faculty in a college or university mathematics or education department.

Students will have opportunities to acquire an understanding and experience in various aspects of the mathematics education field including investigation of mathematical learning and teaching, the development of instructional materials, participation in policy formation and analysis, development and use of assessment, and integration of technology into mathematics learning and teaching.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
The program admits students with a variety of backgrounds. Some students will have equally strong backgrounds in education and mathematics. Others may have more extensive prior preparation in one of these two disciplines. Candidates should have the equivalent of an undergraduate major in mathematics or satisfactory completion of course work in mathematics appropriate to the applicant’s program of study and approved by an Admissions Committee of the Mathematics Education Faculty Group, with the expectation of completing additional mathematics study if necessary. In such cases, the guidance committee will help the candidate design a program that includes appropriate course work in mathematics. Applicants with deficiencies in academic preparation may be admitted provisionally. These collateral courses will not count toward the degree. In addition, K–12 teaching experience is strongly encouraged, but not required. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test is required of all applicants.

Students will be admitted to the program by an Admissions Committee composed of members of the Mathematics Education Faculty Group. All admitted students will be assigned an academic advisor.

Candidates will apply directly to the Mathematics Education Graduate Program, and must have three letters of recommendation sent to the Director of the Mathematics Education Graduate Program.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Mathematics Education
The student must complete a minimum of 31 credits for the degree under Plan A (with thesis). The student’s program of study must be approved by the student’s academic advisor and must include:

1. Both of the following courses: .................................................. 6
   MTHE 526 Proseminar in Mathematics Education I ............................... 3
   MTHE 927 Proseminar in Mathematics Education II ................................ 3

2. One of the following courses: .................................................. 3
   CEP 913 Psychology and Pedagogy of Mathematics ............................... 3
   MTHE 997 Special Topics in Mathematics Education ............................... 3

3. One of the following courses: .................................................. 3
   MTHE 840 Critical Content of School Mathematics: Numbers and Operations .................................. 3
   MTHE 841 Critical Content of School Mathematics: Algebra ........................ 3
   MTHE 842 Critical Content of School Mathematics: Geometry ........................ 3

4. The following course: .................................................. 3
   MTHE 954 Design and Methods in Mathematics Education Research ................. 3

5. One of the following courses: .................................................. 3
   CEP 931 Introduction to Qualitative Methods in Educational Research ................. 3
   CEP 932 Quantitative Methods in Educational Research I .......................... 3
   CEP 933 Quantitative Methods in Educational Research II .......................... 3
   CEP 934 Multivariate Data Analysis I ........................................... 4
   CEP 935 Advanced Topics in Multivariate Data Analysis II .......................... 4
   STT 430 Introduction to Probability and Statistics .................................. 3
   STT 441 Probability and Statistics I: Probability .................................. 3
   STT 442 Probability and Statistics II: Statistics .................................. 3
   STT 601 Design of Experiments ........................................... 3
   STT 825 Sample Surveys ........................................... 3
   STT 843 Multivariate Analysis ........................................... 3
   STT 861 Theory of Probability and Statistics I .................................. 3
   STT 862 Theory of Probability and Statistics II .................................. 3

6. One 3-credit course in general education foundations, policy, or learning and development, selected from a list of approved courses available from the student’s academic advisor.

7. Six credits in the Department of Mathematics at a level appropriate to the student’s program of study and career goals at the 400-level or above, excluding Mathematics 443.

8. At least 4 credits of MTHE 899 Master’s Thesis Research and completion of a research thesis.

Doctor of Philosophy

The Doctor of Philosophy degree in Mathematics Education is designed for persons who show promise of becoming leaders in local, state, national, and international mathematics education communities. The program prepares researchers and leaders to address critical issues in mathematics education by developing analytical perspectives for research, engaging in reflective teaching, and deepening mathematical knowledge.

Students who may be interested in the program include the following: (1) graduates of undergraduate mathematics or mathematics education programs with interests in research and academic careers; and (2) K-12 teachers, intending to return to the classroom or to leadership in schools and districts, who desire strong, research-oriented knowledge and experience in mathematics education.

Students will have opportunities to acquire an understanding and experience in various aspects of the mathematics education field including investigation of mathematical learning and teaching, the development of instructional materials, participation in policy formation, development and use of assessment, and the integration of technology into mathematics learning and teaching. Students will address issues of research ethics in the Proseminar in Mathematics Education.

A career at any level in mathematics education requires substantive knowledge of the core discipline of mathematics. Each student will plan with his or her guidance committee a set of courses in mathematics that, together with the student’s prior course work and teaching experiences, are appropriate for the student’s career plans.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

The program admits students with a variety of backgrounds. Some students will have equally strong backgrounds in education and mathematics. Others may have more extensive prior preparation in one of these two disciplines. Candidates should have the equivalent of an undergraduate major in mathematics or satisfactory completion of course work in mathematics appropriate to the applicant’s program of study and approved by the Admissions Committee, with the expectation of completing additional mathematics study if necessary. In such cases, the guidance committee will help the candidate to design a program that includes appropriate course work in mathematics. Applicants with deficiencies in academic preparation may be admitted provisionally. These collateral courses will not count toward the degree. In addition, K-12 teaching experience is strongly encouraged, but not required. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test is required of all applicants.

Admissions decisions will be made by an Admissions Committee composed of members of the Mathematics Education Faculty Group. A student who shows promise for success at doctoral study but who needs additional background to be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. program will be provided with specific conditions to be met before admission. Upon successful completion of these requirements, the student may reapply.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Mathematics Education

The student must complete the requirements listed below. The student’s program of study must be approved by the student’s academic advisor and must include:

1. Both of the following courses (6 credits):
   - MTHE 526 Proseminar in Mathematics Education I
   - MTHE 527 Proseminar in Mathematics Education II

2. Three courses from the following, with at least one course from each area (9 credits):
   - Pedagogy Courses
     - CEP 913 Psychology and Pedagogy of Mathematics
     - MTHE 997 Special Topics in Mathematics Education
   - Content Courses
     - MTHE 840 Critical Content of School Mathematics: Numbers and Operations
     - MTHE 841 Critical Content of School Mathematics: Algebra
     - MTHE 842 Critical Content of School Mathematics: Geometry
   - Pedagogy Courses
     - MTHE 879 Teaching College Mathematics
     - TE 994 Laboratory and Field Experience in Curriculum, Instruction, and Teacher Education

3. One of the following courses (2 or 3 credits):
   - MTHE 879 Teaching College Mathematics
   - TE 994 Laboratory and Field Experience in Curriculum, Instruction, and Teacher Education

4. The following course (3 credits):
   - MTHE 954 Design and Methods in Mathematics Education Research

5. Two of the following courses (6 credits):
   - CEP 931 Introduction to Qualitative Methods in Educational Research
   - CEP 933 Quantitative Methods in Educational Research II
   - CEP 935 Research Practicum
   - EAD 955 Field Research Methods in Educational Administration
   - STT 801 Design of Experiments
   - STT 825 Sample Surveys
   - STT 843 Multivariate Analysis

6. One 3-credit course in general education foundations, policy, teacher education, or learning and development, selected from a list of approved courses available from the student’s guidance committee.

7. Twelve credits in the Department of Mathematics or Department of Statistics and Probability at a level appropriate to the student’s program of study and career goals at the 400-level or above, excluding Mathematics 443.

8. Nine credits in a cognate selected in consultation with the guidance committee. The cognate must be at least three courses appropriate to the student’s program of study.

9. The following course (3 credits):
   - MTHE 995 Research Practicum

10. Successful completion of comprehensive written examinations administered by program faculty.


CENTER for INTEGRATIVE STUDIES in GENERAL SCIENCE

Gabriel Ording, Director

Integrative Studies is Michigan State University’s unique approach to liberal general education, offering a core curriculum that complements specialized work by students in their majors. Integrative Studies courses integrate multiple ways of knowing and modes of inquiry and introduce students to important ways of thinking in the three core knowledge areas: the Arts and Humanities, the Biological and Physical Sciences, and the Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences. They assist students early during their study to develop as more critical thinkers. They also encourage appreciation of our humanity and creativity, human cultural diversity, the power of knowledge, and our responsibilities for ourselves and for our world.

Courses in Michigan State University’s Integrative Studies Program are aimed at developing intellectual abilities, including critical thinking and interpretive skills. They help increase knowledge...
about other times, places, and cultures, key ideas and issues in human experience, and the scientific method and its usefulness in understanding the natural and social worlds. They are expected to enhance appreciation of the role of knowledge, and of values and ethics, in understanding human behavior and solving social problems. Finally, they help students recognize responsibilities and opportunities associated with democratic citizenship and with living in an increasingly interconnected, interdependent world.

The Center for Integrative Studies in the Arts and Humanities in the College of Arts and Letters has primary responsibility for the Arts and Humanities area of Integrative Studies at Michigan State University.

The Center for Integrative Studies in General Sciences in the College of Natural Sciences has primary responsibility for Integrative Studies courses in the Biological and Physical Sciences at Michigan State University.

The Center for Integrative Studies in the Social Sciences in the College of Social Science has primary responsibility for Integrative Studies courses in the Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences at Michigan State University.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

The College of Natural Science offers interdepartmental degree programs in cell and molecular biology; earth science—interdepartmental; ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior; general science; genetics; genetics—environmental toxicology; human biology; neuroscience; and physical science—interdepartmental. These programs are designed to serve students who wish to develop a broad background in the natural sciences. Students who desire academic preparation in the natural sciences with emphasis in a single discipline should enroll in a departmental major. The interdepartmental programs are not intended for this purpose.

Students interested in elementary education who wish to major in science should reference the section on MSU SUBJECT MATTER TEACHING MAJORS AND MINORS FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE—INTERDEPARTMENTAL

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

The biological science—interdepartmental major, which leads to the Bachelor of Science degree, is designed for persons who want a broad background in fields that comprise biological sciences and who want to understand the interrelationships among such fields. This major is designed primarily for persons who plan to teach biological sciences in middle and secondary schools.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Biological Science—Interdepartmental

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Biological Science—Interdepartmental.

The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Biological Sciences—Interdepartmental major is met by completing NSC 401. That course is referenced in Item 3.a. below.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in Item 5 under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. All of the following courses: 30 CREDITS

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TEACHER CERTIFICATION OPTIONS

The biological science–interdepartmental disciplinary major leading to the Bachelor of Science degree is available for teacher certification.

A biological science disciplinary minor is also available for secondary teacher certification.

Students who elect the biological science–interdepartmental disciplinary major or the biological science disciplinary minor must contact the College of Natural Science.

For additional information, refer to the statement on TEACHER CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.

GRADUATE STUDY

CELL AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

GRADUATE STUDY

Master of Science

This program provides theoretical and practical training in cell and molecular biology to prepare students for a variety of professional positions in academia, industry or government.

Admission

Most students enter the Master of Science degree program in cell and molecular biology with the goal of eventually obtaining a Ph.D. degree. However, students with limited research experience or specific deficiencies in their undergraduate training may be admitted to this program to obtain additional experience. Applicants will be considered by the Cell and Molecular Biology admissions committee, and in general the criteria for admission are similar to those of the Ph.D. program (an undergraduate major in biological science, acceptable GPA and GRE scores, and letters of recommendation).

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Cell and Molecular Biology

Students in the M.S. program in Cell and Molecular Biology must complete a total of 30 credits for the degree under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis). These credits must include core courses in molecular biology, cell biology, and genetics. Detailed course and other requirements are specified in the cell and molecular biology graduate manual.

For a Plan A master’s degree, students must complete a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 10 credits of Cell and Molecular Biology 899, Master’s Research. They must also prepare a written thesis, complete a final research seminar, and pass an oral examination.

For a Plan B master’s degree, student may complete a maximum of 8 credits of Cell and Molecular Biology 890, Independent Study. They must also complete a final report and pass an oral examination.

Doctor of Philosophy

The interdepartmental Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in cell and molecular biology is administered by the college of Natural Science. Students may elect to complete the requirements for a second major, in addition to the requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy degree in cell and molecular biology.

The educational objectives of the program are to provide doctoral students with fundamental knowledge and research skills so that they may become independent and self-educating scholars.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

To be considered for admission to the Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in cell and molecular biology, an applicant must have taken the Graduate Record Examination General Test.

To be admitted to the doctoral program in cell and molecular biology, it is recommended that an applicant have:

1. Completed a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree with a minimum grade–point average of 3.00.
2. A broad background in biology, including courses in biochemistry, genetics, cell biology, and molecular biology.
3. Completed at least one year of study in each of the following fields: physics, inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry, and mathematics through integral calculus.
4. A grade of 3.0 or above in each science and mathematics course completed.
5. Acceptable scores on the Graduate Record Examination General Test.

Applicants with deficiencies in academic preparation may be admitted provisionally, in which case they will be required to complete collateral courses.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Cell and Molecular Biology

The student must:

1. Complete all of the following courses (15 credits):
   - BMB 801 Molecular Biology and Protein Structure ........................................ 4
   - BMB 825 Cell Structure and Function .......................................................... 3
   - CMB 800 Cell and Molecular Biology Seminar ............................................ 3
   - CMB 892 Research Forum ........................................................................... 4
   - One graduate course in scientific ethics ......................................................... 1

2. Complete one of the following courses (3 credits):
   - MMG 833 Microbial Genetics ................................................................. 3

3. Complete a minimum of two additional graduate courses of at least 3 credits each that are related to the student’s research.
4. Complete a 10–week research rotation in the laboratory of each of three different members of the cell and molecular biology faculty during the first year of enrollment in the program.
5. Pass the preliminary examination given at the end of the second year of graduate study.
6. Successfully complete a minimum of two semesters as a teaching assistant in a department represented on the cell and molecular biology faculty. The student’s teaching assignment must be approved by the director of the doctoral program in cell and molecular biology.

For additional information, contact the director of the doctoral program in cell and molecular biology, 153 Giltner Hall, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.
BIOMOLECULAR SCIENCE GATEWAY - FIRST YEAR

Students are encouraged to apply for admission to the Ph.D. program through the Biomedical Science Gateway – First Year, where students choose a doctoral major from any of six Ph.D. programs: biochemistry and molecular biology, cell and molecular biology, genetics, microbiology and molecular genetics, pharmacology and toxicology, or physiology. For additional information refer to the College of Natural Science section of this catalog.

CELL and MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in cell and molecular biology—environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Doctoral Program in Environmental and Integrative Toxicological Sciences in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

EARTH SCIENCE—INTERDEPARTMENTAL

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

The Department of Geological Sciences administers the earth science—interdepartmental major, which leads to the Bachelor of Science degree in Earth Science—Interdepartmental.

The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Earth Science—Interdepartmental major is met by completing Geological Sciences 401 for the General Earth Science concentration and Geography 403 for the Meteorology/Atmospheric Sciences concentration. Those courses are referenced in item 3. c. below.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. All of the following courses: ................................................. 21
      GEO 203 Introduction to Meteorology .................................. 3
      GLG 201 The Dynamic Earth ............................................. 3
      GLG 203 Oceanography ..................................................... 4
      MTH 132 Calculus I ......................................................... 4
   b. One of the following groups of courses: ................................. 8

   c. One of the following concentrations: ................................. 28 to 38

   (1) Both of the following courses:
      CEM 141 General Chemistry ............................................. 4
      CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ......................... 3
      CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ...................................... 4
   (2) Both of the following courses:
      PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I .................. 4
      PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ................. 4
   (3) Three of the following courses:
      PHY 231 Introductory Physics I ....................................... 3
      PHY 232 Introductory Physics II ....................................... 3
      PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I ......................... 1
      PHY 252 Introductory Physics Laboratory II ....................... 1
      STT 231 Statistics for Scientists ....................................... 3
   (4) One of the following courses:
      GEO 306 Environmental Geomorphology ................................ 3
      GLG 422 Aquatic and Marine Organic Geochemistry .............. 3
      GLG 434 Evolutionary Paleobiology ................................... 4
   (5) A minimum of 6 credits from the following courses:
      AST 303 Planetary System Astronomy .................................. 3
      AST 312 Observational Astronomy ...................................... 1
      ENT 319 Introduction to Earth System Science .................... 3
      GEO 402 Agricultural Climatology ..................................... 3
      GEO 405 Weather Analysis and Forecasting ......................... 4
      GEO 409 Global Climate Change and Variability .................. 3
      GEO 424 Advanced Remote Sensing .................................... 4
      GLG 411 Hydrogeology .................................................... 3
      GLG 421 Environmental Geochemistry .................................. 4
   (6) One of the following courses:
      GEO 324 Remote Sensing of the Environment ....................... 4
      GEO 402 Agricultural Climatology ..................................... 3
      GEO 409 Global Climate Change and Variability .................. 3

   Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Earth Science—Interdepartmental

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Earth Science—Interdepartmental.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   a. All of the following courses: ................................................. 21
      ASTR 207 The Science of Astronomy .................................... 3
      GEO 203 Introduction to Meteorology .................................. 3
      GLG 201 The Dynamic Earth ............................................. 3
      GLG 303 Oceanography ..................................................... 4
      MTH 132 Calculus I ......................................................... 4
   b. One of the following groups of courses: ................................. 8

   c. One of the following concentrations: ................................. 28 to 38

   (1) Both of the following courses:
      CEM 141 General Chemistry ............................................. 4
      CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ......................... 3
      CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ...................................... 4
   (2) Both of the following courses:
      PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I .................. 4
      PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ................. 4
   (3) Three of the following courses:
      PHY 231 Introductory Physics I ....................................... 3
      PHY 232 Introductory Physics II ....................................... 3
      PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I ......................... 1
      PHY 252 Introductory Physics Laboratory II ....................... 1
      STT 231 Statistics for Scientists ....................................... 3
   (4) One of the following courses:
      GEO 306 Environmental Geomorphology ................................ 3
      GLG 422 Aquatic and Marine Organic Geochemistry .............. 3
      GLG 434 Evolutionary Paleobiology ................................... 4
   (5) A minimum of 6 credits from the following courses:
      AST 303 Planetary System Astronomy .................................. 3
      AST 312 Observational Astronomy ...................................... 1
      ENT 319 Introduction to Earth System Science .................... 3
      GEO 402 Agricultural Climatology ..................................... 3
      GEO 405 Weather Analysis and Forecasting ......................... 4
      GEO 409 Global Climate Change and Variability .................. 3
      GEO 424 Advanced Remote Sensing .................................... 4
      GLG 411 Hydrogeology .................................................... 3
      GLG 421 Environmental Geochemistry .................................. 4
   (6) One of the following courses:
      GEO 324 Remote Sensing of the Environment ....................... 4
      GEO 402 Agricultural Climatology ..................................... 3
      GEO 409 Global Climate Change and Variability .................. 3

3. The course selected to meet this requirement may also satisfy requirement (3) below.

   (3) Three of the following courses:
      GEO 324 Remote Sensing of the Environment ....................... 4
      GEO 402 Agricultural Climatology ..................................... 3
      GEO 409 Global Climate Change and Variability .................. 3

   Geography 402 or 409 may also be used to satisfy requirement (2) above.

TEACHER CERTIFICATION OPTIONS

The earth science—interdepartmental disciplinary major leading to the Bachelor of Science degree is available for teacher certification.

An earth science disciplinary minor is also available for secondary teacher certification.

Students who elect the earth science—interdepartmental disciplinary major or the earth science disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Geological Sciences.

For additional information, refer to the statement on TEACHER CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.
ECOLOGY, EVOLUTIONARY BIOLOGY AND BEHAVIOR

GRADUATE STUDY

Dual Major
The interdepartmental dual major in ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior is administered by the College of Natural Science. The dual major is available only to those students who plan to complete a Ph.D. degree program that involves ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior and who have a graduate major at Michigan State University. The student does not have the option of completing a dual major in ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior alone.

The educational objectives of the interdepartmental program are to:
1. provide an opportunity for doctoral students to obtain a comprehensive and contemporary academic experience in the field of ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior.
2. stimulate doctoral students with an interest in ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior to become sensitive to their professional obligations and responsibilities.
3. develop an intellectual environment which will foster the growth of research and teaching in the area of ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior.

Students who are enrolled in the dual major in Ecology, Evolutionary Biology and Behavior may elect an Interdepartmental Specialization in Cognitive Science. For additional information, refer to the statement on Interdepartmental Graduate Specializations in Cognitive Science in the College of Social Science section of this catalog. For additional information, contact the College of Natural Science.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
In order to enroll in the dual major in ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior a student must also have been admitted to a major at Michigan State University. A minimum undergraduate grade-point average of 3.0 and undergraduate mathematics through calculus are required for admission to the dual major.

The Graduate Admissions Committee, composed of members of the ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior faculty reviews applications for admission and recommends acceptance of applicants for admission. In special cases an applicant who has deficiencies in background courses may be admitted to the dual major on a provisional basis.

Guidance Committee
During the first year of enrollment in the dual major, the student and a member of the ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior faculty who will serve as the student’s major professor will constitute a guidance committee that will assist in planning the student’s program of study. At least two members of the ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior faculty shall be members of the committee. The student’s program of study will involve ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior and a major in the student’s department. The program shall be planned in accordance with the statement on Dual Major Doctoral Degrees in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

Students in the dual major in ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior are expected to attend weekly seminars and to participate in the graduate student-organized research colloquium.

Requirements for the Dual Major in Ecology, Evolutionary Biology and Behavior
1. One 3-credit course in ecology at the 800-900 level from a list of approved courses available from the office of the ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior program.
2. One 3-credit course in evolution at the 800-900 level from a list of approved courses available from the office of the ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior program.
3. One 3-credit course in quantitative methods at the 800-900 level from a list of approved courses available from the office of the ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior program.
4. Twenty-four credits in Doctoral Dissertation Research (course number 999) from the student’s departmental major.
5. Pass a comprehensive examination that will be defined by the requirements of the student’s major department and that will include a written examination in which the student demonstrates a knowledge of ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior as determined by the guidance committee.
6. Submit a dissertation that, in the judgment of the student’s guidance committee, represents the integration of ecology, evolutionary biology and behavior and the student’s departmental major.

GENETICS

GRADUATE STUDY

Master of Science
The primary purpose of the Master of Science in Genetics is to train students for a variety of careers in areas of genetics and genomics. The program also seeks to provide graduate students who are seeking the Ph.D. degree, state-of-the-art knowledge and skills to prepare them for careers in research and teaching.

Admission
Applicants will be considered for admission by the Genetics Admissions Committee. The criteria for admission include an undergraduate major in the biological sciences, acceptable grade-point average and GRE scores, a statement of objectives and three letters of recommendation. The Genetics Admissions Committee will also consider requests for students to transfer from the Doctor of Philosophy in Genetics to this program.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Genetics
All students in the Master of Science in Genetics must earn at least 30 credits, of which a minimum of 20 credits must consist of course work and must include the core courses specified for the Ph.D. program. Detailed course work and other requirements are specified in the Student Handbook of the Genetics Program. For a Plan A (with thesis) degree, students must complete 4 to 10 credits of Genetics 899, Master’s Thesis Research, submit a written thesis, present a final research seminar and pass a final oral examination. For a Plan B (without thesis) degree, students must have earned at least 26 credits through course work, may receive a maximum of 4 credits for work completed in Genetics 899, Master’s Thesis Research, submit a final report and pass an oral examination.
Doctor of Philosophy

The interdepartmental Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in genetics is administered by the College of Natural Science. The objectives of the program are (1) to prepare the student for independent research and teaching, (2) to help the student to understand the nature and significance of genetics as a whole and to gain strength in related sciences, such as molecular biology and biochemistry, and (3) to enable the student to keep in the forefront of this continuously changing field.

Students may specialize in one area of genetics, but are required to familiarize themselves with all major areas of the discipline. Students may elect to complete the requirements for a second major, such as biochemistry, in addition to the requirements for the doctoral degree in genetics.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

For regular admission a student must have a bachelor’s degree with a grade-point average of 3.30, appropriate background in the biological and physical sciences, and approval of the Genetics Program Admissions Committee. In special cases an applicant who fails to meet the grade-point average requirement, or who has deficiencies in background courses, i.e., organic chemistry, physics, calculus, or biology, may be admitted on a provisional basis. Applicants admitted on a provisional basis must remove these deficiencies within one year of admission to the genetics program.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Genetics

The program of study is planned by the student in consultation with the major professor and a guidance committee. Specific courses in genetics, as well as courses in other areas considered relevant to the student’s interests and chosen research area, are included in the program. Students in the program will write and defend a research dissertation which shows original treatment of an important research problem. A detailed description of the genetics program and of the research interests of the genetics faculty may be obtained by writing the Director of the Genetics Program, Michigan State University, Plant Biology Laboratories, 612 Wilson Road, Room S–352, East Lansing, MI 48824.

BIOMOLECULAR SCIENCE GATEWAY - FIRST YEAR

Students are encouraged to apply for admission to the Ph.D. program through the BioMolecular Science Gateway – First Year, where students choose a doctoral major from any of six Ph.D. programs: biochemistry and molecular biology, cell and molecular biology, genetics, microbiology and molecular genetics, pharmacology and toxicology, or physiology. For additional information refer to the College of Natural Science section of this catalog.

GENETICS—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in genetics—environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Doctoral Program in Environmental and Integrative Toxicological Sciences in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.
The Bachelor of Science degree in Neuroscience is for students who wish to pursue a career in which a broad-based knowledge of the structure and function of the nervous system is necessary, including careers in research, education, healthcare or business. It is also intended for those students who seek admission to graduate study in neuroscience or health-related professional schools. In addition to core requirements, students can concentrate in cellular and developmental neuroscience; behavioral and systems neuroscience; or cognitive neuroscience.

Several colleges and departments within Michigan State University cooperate in offering the interdepartmental Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in neuroscience, which is administered by the College of Natural Science. Students may elect to complete the requirements for a second major, in addition to the requirements for the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree in neuroscience.

Students who are enrolled in the master’s or doctoral degree program with a major in Neuroscience may also elect an Interdepartmental Specialization in Cognitive Science. For additional information, refer to the statement on Interdepartmental Graduate Specializations in Cognitive Science in the College of Social Science section of this catalog. For additional information, contact the College of Natural Science.

### Bachelor of Science

#### Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Neuroscience

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Neuroscience.

   The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Neuroscience major is met by completing Neuroscience 311L. That course is referenced in item 3. below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. One of the following pairs of courses (5 or 6 credits):

      (1) CEM 141 General Chemistry .......................... 4
      (2) CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry. 4
      (3) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I .................. 1
      (4) CEM 180H Honors Chemistry I .................... 4

   b. One of the following pairs of courses (6 credits):

      (1) MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology .................. 3
      (2) MMG 302 Introductory Microbiology Laboratory ... 1
      (3) MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology .................. 3
      (4) MMG 413 Virology .................................. 3

   c. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      (1) MMG 404 Human Genetics ............................ 3
      (2) MMG 451 Immunology ................................ 3
      (3) MMG 461 Molecular Pathogenesis .................... 3
      (4) MMG 463 Medical Microbiology .................... 3

   d. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      (1) MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology .................. 3
      (2) MMG 302 Introductory Microbiology Laboratory ... 1
      (3) MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology .................. 3
      (4) MMG 413 Virology .................................. 3

   e. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      (1) CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I ....................... 3
      (2) CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II ........................ 3
      (3) CEM 351 Organic Chemistry III ...................... 3
      (4) CEM 352 Organic Chemistry II ........................ 3

   f. One of the following pairs of courses (6 or 8 credits):

      (1) PHY 231 Introductory Physics I ..................... 3
      (2) PHY 232 Introductory Physics II .................... 3
      (3) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I ... 4
      (4) PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ... 4

   g. One of the following courses (6 or 8 credits):

      (1) STT 201 Statistical Methods .......................... 4
      (2) STT 231 Statistics for Scientists .................... 4
      (3) STT 421 Statistics I ................................ 3
      (4) PSY 101 Introductory Psychology .................... 4

   h. One of the following groups of courses (4 or 8 credits):

      (1) PSL 310 Physiology for Pre-Health Professionals 4
      (2) PSL 431 Human Physiology I .......................... 4

   i. One of the following courses (3 credits):

      (1) NEU 301 Introduction to Neuroscience I .......... 3
      (2) NEU 302 Introduction to Neuroscience II .......... 3
      (3) NEU 311L Neuroscience Laboratory (W) .................. 3

   j. One course from each of the following groups of courses (6 credits):

      (1) PHM 350 Introductory Human Pharmacology .......... 3
      (2) PHM 431 Pharmacology of Drug Addiction ............ 3
      (3) PHM 480 Special Problems ............................. 3
      (4) MMG 404 Human Genetics ............................. 3
      (5) MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology .................. 3

   k. Complete 15 credits in courses from one of the following concentrations:

      (1) Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience MMG 404 Human Genetics 3
      (2) Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology 3
Admission decisions are made by the Neuroscience Program Graduate Affairs Committee. In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Neuroscience

The program is available under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis). A total of 30 credits is required for the degree under either Plan A or Plan B. The student’s program of study must be approved by the student’s guidance committee. The student must meet the requirements specified below:

Requirements for Plan A and Plan B
1. Complete all of the following courses (17 credits):
   - NEU 404 Molecular and Developmental Neurobiology
   - NEU 406 Advanced Neuroscience Techniques Laboratory
   - NEU 339 Systems Neuroscience
   - PrFM 627 Physiology and Pharmacology of Excitable Cells
   - PSY 811 Advanced Behavioral Neuroscience
   - PSY 815 Quantitative Research Design and Analysis in Psychology
   - PSY 818 Multivariate Statistics in Psychology
   - PSY 819 Advanced Behavioral Neuroscience
   - LIN 571 Advanced Linguistics
   - LIN 572 Neurolinguistics
   - PSY 209 Brain and Behavior
   - PSY 200 Cognitive Psychology
   - PSY 301 Cognitive Neuroscience
   - PSL 429 Biomedical Imaging Methods
   - PSY 410 Neuroscience of Learning and Memory
   - PSY 411 Hormones and Behavior
   - NEU 492 Special Topics in Neuroscience
   - NEU 403 Integrative Neurobiology

2. Complete one of the following courses (3 credits):
   - PrFM 830 Experimental Design and Data Analysis
   - PSY 813 Quantitative Research Design and Analysis in Psychology

3. Complete a minimum of 6 credits in Neuroscience 800 or 899. Plan A students must complete 4 credits of Neuroscience 899.

4. Complete an additional 4 credits of elective courses related to the student’s research and approved by the student’s guidance committee.

5. Complete a one semester laboratory rotation with each of two neuroscience faculty in the first year of study. Students will select the two laboratories in which they will rotate at the beginning of fall semester based on discussions and mutual agreement with neuroscience faculty members.

Additional Requirements for Plan A
Successful completion and defense of a thesis based on original research on an important problem in neuroscience in a seminar-based public forum.

Additional Requirements for Plan B
Successful completion and presentation of a research-based paper.

Doctor of Philosophy

The program provides an opportunity for doctoral students to acquire both a broad and in-depth knowledge of the function of the nervous system. The program is designed to:
1. Make it possible for a doctoral student to obtain a comprehensive and contemporary academic experience in the field of neuroscience.
2. Prepare students for their future professional obligations and responsibilities as scholars.
3. Develop an intellectual environment that will foster the growth of research and teaching in the area of neuroscience. In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

To be considered for admission to the Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in neuroscience, an applicant should have:
1. Completed a broad spectrum of basic science courses.
2. A grade-point average of at least 3.0 in science and mathematics courses.
3. Experience in laboratory research.

To be eligible for regular admission to the Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in neuroscience, an applicant must have:
1. Completed an undergraduate degree in a biological, psychological, or physical science or in a related discipline.
2. An overall grade-point average of at least 3.0.
3. Satisfactory scores on the Graduate Record Examination General Test as judged by the faculty.

Admission decisions are made by the Neuroscience Program Admissions Committee. Applicants with deficiencies in academic preparation may be admitted provisionally, with the requirement that they complete collateral science courses during the first year of study; these collateral courses will not count toward the degree.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Neuroscience

The student must:

1. Complete all of the following courses:
   NEU 800 Neuroscience Research Forum ......................... 4
   NEU 804 Molecular and Developmental Neurobiology ............. 3
   NEU 806 Advanced Neuroscience Techniques Laboratory .......... 3
   NEU 839 Systems Neuroscience .................................. 4
   NEU 890 Independent Study in Neuroscience .................... 4
   NEU 999 Doctoral Dissertation Research ......................... 24
   PHM 827 Advanced Neurobiology .................................. 4
   PSY 811 Advanced Behavioral Neuroscience ....................... 4
   
   CREDITS
   
2. Complete one of the following courses (3 credits):
   PHM 830 Experimental Design and Data Analysis .................... 3
   PSY 815 Quantitative Research Design and Analysis in Psychology ........................................... 3
   
3. Complete in the first year of enrollment in the program a one-semester laboratory rotation (NEU 890) with each of two members of the faculty. Each rotation is established by mutual agreement of the faculty member and the student.
4. Pass the written comprehensive examination given at the end of the second year of enrollment in the program.
5. Complete and orally defend a dissertation research proposal.
6. Complete and defend a dissertation based on original research on an important problem in neuroscience.
7. All students must complete Responsible Conduct of Research Training.

The colleges and departments that are listed below cooperate in offering the interdepartmental Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in neuroscience:

Colleges
- Human Medicine
- Osteopathic Medicine
- Social Science
- Veterinary Medicine

Departments
- Anatomy (Division of)
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Pathobiology and Diagnostic Investigation
- Pharmacology and Toxicology
- Physiology
- Psychology
- Zoology

A detailed description of the Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in neuroscience and of the research interests of participating faculty may be obtained upon request from the Neuroscience Program Administrative Office, Gillman Hall, 293 Farm Lane, Room 108, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824-1317, or by visiting the Web site at http://www.neuroscience.msu.edu.

NEUROSCIENCE—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in neuroscience—environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Doctoral Program in Environmental and Integrative Toxicological Sciences in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE—INTERDEPARTMENTAL

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

The physical science—interdepartmental major, which leads to the Bachelor of Science degree, is designed for persons who want a broad background in both physics and chemistry and to understand the interrelationships between these disciplines. This major is designed primarily for persons who plan to teach physics, chemistry and/or physical science in secondary schools.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Physical Science—Interdepartmental

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Science—Interdepartmental.
2. The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Physical Science—Interdepartmental major is met by completing Science and Mathematics Education 401. That course is referenced in item 3. a. below.
3. Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Cerrtain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.
4. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.
5. The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.
6. The following requirements for the major:

   a. One of the following courses (4 credits):
      CEM 141 General Chemistry .................................. 4
      CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry ................. 4
   b. One of the following courses (3 credits):
      CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ................... 3
      CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry ................................ 3
   c. All of the following courses (57 credits):
      CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ............................ 1
      CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II ............................ 1
      CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I .................................. 3
      CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II .................................. 3
      CEM 255 Organic Chemistry Laboratory ....................... 2
      CEM 262 Quantitative Analysis .................................. 3
      CEM 383 Introductory Physical Chemistry I ................. 3
      ISE 401 Science Laboratories for Secondary Schools (W) 4
      MTH 132 Calculus I ............................................ 3
      MTH 133 Calculus II ............................................ 4
      MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus ................................... 4
      MTH 235 Differential Equations .................................... 3
      PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I ............... 3
      PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ............... 4
      PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, I ................ 1
      PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, II ................. 1
      PHY 215 Thermodynamics and Modern Physics ................. 3
      PHY 431 Optics I .................................................. 3
      PHY 440 Electronics ............................................. 4
      An approved elective in chemistry or physics .................. 3
   d. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
      BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology .............................. 3
      ENT 205 Peats, Society and Environment ..................... 3
      PLB 105 Plant Biology .......................................... 3
      PSL 250 Introductory Physiology .................................. 4
      ZOL 141 Introductory Human Genetics .......................... 3

TEACHER CERTIFICATION OPTION

The physical science—interdepartmental disciplinary major leading to the Bachelor of Science degree is available for secondary teacher certification.

Students who elect the physical science—interdepartmental disciplinary major must contact the College of Natural Science. For additional information, refer to the statement on TEACHER CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.
QUANTITATIVE BIOLOGY

Dual Major

The interdepartmental dual major in quantitative biology is administered by the College of Natural Science. The dual major is available only to those students who plan to complete a Ph.D. degree program that involves a research project and course work in quantitative biology and a major in one of the following departments that are affiliated with the interdepartmental program: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Cell and Molecular Biology, Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, Chemistry, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Epidemiology, Genetics, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, Pharmacology and Toxicology, Physics and Astronomy, Physiology, Plant Biology, Statistics and Probability, and Zoology. The student does not have the option of completing a major in quantitative biology alone.

The educational objectives of the interdepartmental program are:
1. provide an opportunity for doctoral students to obtain an interdisciplinary and contemporary academic experience in the field of quantitative biology.
2. stimulate doctoral students with an interest in biological sciences to develop skills in chemical/physical or mathematical/computational approaches while encouraging doctoral students in the chemical, physical, mathematical, and computational sciences to apply their skills to solve biological problems.
3. develop an intellectual environment that will foster the growth of research and teaching in the area of quantitative biology.

Admission

In order to enroll in the dual major in quantitative biology a student must also have been admitted to a major in one of the affiliated departments. A minimum undergraduate grade-point average of 3.0 and undergraduate mathematics through calculus are required for admission to the dual major. Students may apply to the quantitative biology program at any time prior to their preliminary exam.

Admission to the quantitative biology dual major is by approval of the quantitative biology recruiting committee and the graduate program director. In special cases, an applicant who has deficiencies in background courses may be admitted to the dual major on a provisional basis.

Guidance Committee

The student must select two mentors, typically one from a biological discipline and one from a chemical, physical, mathematical, computational, or engineering discipline. Both of these mentors will serve on the guidance committee. At least two members of the student’s guidance committee must be members of the quantitative biology faculty. At least one member of the committee must be from a department or disciplinary program other than the one that administers the student’s disciplinary major. The student’s program of study will be planned in accordance with the statement on Dual Major Doctoral Degrees in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

Requirements for the Dual Major in Quantitative Biology

1. At least two courses totaling a combined minimum of 5 credits that provide graduate training in biology to students in chemical/physical or mathematical/computational disciplines or that provide graduate training in chemical, physical, mathematical, or computational methods to those in the biological disciplines. The courses should be complementary to the student’s research, relevant to the goals of the quantitative biology program, and must be approved by the program director. Approved concentration areas include: molecular biophysics, systems biology, ecological and evolutionary modeling, or genomics, bioinformatics, and computational biology.
2. Twenty-four credits in Doctoral Dissertation Research (course number 999) from one of the departments referenced above.
3. Pass a comprehensive examination that will be defined by the requirements of the participating primary department and that will demonstrate appropriate knowledge of quantitative biology as determined by the guidance committee.
4. Submit a dissertation that, in the judgment of the student’s guidance committee, represents the area of quantitative biology.
5. Regularly attend and participate in quantitative biology sponsored seminars.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL MINORS AND SPECIALIZATIONS

UNDERGRADUATE

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES

The Minor in Environmental and Sustainability Studies is available as an elective to all students who are enrolled in bachelor’s degree programs at Michigan State University. Students completing the minor will gain knowledge and skills essential for understanding the biological and physical environment that is inhabited and influenced by humans; managing complex interactions between humans and natural systems; and understanding how policy-making impacts and shapes environmental and sustainability outcomes. The College of Natural Science is the primary administrative unit for the minor with support from the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Communication Arts and Sciences, the Eli Broad College of Business, College of Engineering, and College of Social Science.

Students who have declared the intent to complete the minor or who have declared a major preference for a bachelor’s degree program in one of the above listed colleges may elect to live in residence and participate in the Residential Initiative on the Study of the Environment (RISE). Students who elect this option will be housed in Bailey Hall in the Brody Neighborhood. This integrated living-learning program allows for students from multiple colleges and disciplines to develop a sense of community and promotes a team approach to managing complex problems.

With prior written approval from the RISE Coordinator who administers a course in the minor, another course may be substituted for a course from the list of approved courses. Before a student requests a substitution, the student should consult with their academic advisor to ensure that the substitution will not adversely affect the requirements for their degree program.
Requirements for the Minor in Environmental and Sustainability Studies

The student must complete a minimum of 15 credits from the following:

1. Biological and Physical Dimensions. Two of the following courses (6 or 7 credits):
   - CSS 210 Fundamentals of Soil Science .................................................. 3
   - CSS 442 Agricultural Ecology .................................................................. 3
   - CSS 455 Environmental Pollutants in the Soil and Water ......................... 3
   - ENT 319 Introduction to Earth System Science ....................................... 3
   - FOR 404 Forest Ecology ......................................................................... 3
   - FW 384 Ecological Problem Solving ....................................................... 3
   - GEO 203 Introduction to Meteorology .................................................... 3
   - GEO 206 Physical Geography ................................................................. 3
   - GLG 201 The Dynamic Earth .................................................................. 4
   - ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................................................. 3

2. Coupled Human and Natural Systems. Two of the following courses (5 to 8 credits):
   - ANS 427 Environmental Toxicology and Society ................................... 3
   - COM 399 Special Topics in Communication ........................................... 3
   - CSUS 200 Introduction to Sustainability ................................................. 3
   - CSUS 330 Theoretical Foundations of Sustainability ............................... 3
   - CSUS 310 History of Environmental Thought and Sustainability ............ 3
   - EEP 320 Environmental Economics ....................................................... 3
   - EEP 405 Corporate Environmental Management ................................... 3
   - ENT 205 Pests, Society and Environment ............................................... 3
   - ENE 280 Principles of Environmental Engineering and Science . .......... 3
   - FW 211 Introduction to Gender and Environmental Issues ..................... 3
   - ISS 310 People and Environment (I) ...................................................... 4
   - JRN 472 Special Topics Laboratory in Environmental Reporting ......... 3
   - JRN 473 Special Topics Seminar in Environmental, Health and Science Journalism ......................................................... 3
   - NSC 292 Applications in Environmental Studies .................................... 3
   - PHL 342 Environmental Ethics ............................................................... 3
   - PKG 370 Packaging and the Environment ............................................. 3
   - SOC 452 Environment and Society ....................................................... 3
   - UP 353 Land Use Planning ..................................................................... 4

3. Environmental Policy and Law. One of the following courses (3 credits):
   - CSUS 265 Exploring Environmental and Sustainability Issues and Policy Using Film .......................................................... 3
   - CSUS 465 Environmental Law and Policy .......................................... 3
   - FOR 466 Natural Resource Policy ......................................................... 3
   - FW 445 Biodiversity Conservation Policy Practice ................................ 3
   - GBL 480 Environmental Law and Sustainability for Business:............... 3
   - From Local to Global ......................................................................... 3
   - ZOL 446 Environmental Issues and Public Policy ............................ 3

4. Freshmen students who elect the RISE Option are required to complete Natural Science 192.

DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

Thomas D. Sharkey, Chairperson

The Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology is administered jointly by the colleges of Natural Science, Human Medicine, and Osteopathic Medicine.

Biochemistry is the discipline focused on studying the molecular basis of life. In addition to defining the chemical nature of the molecules of life, biochemists seek to understand the processes involved in their formation and degradation and how these processes are regulated. Such knowledge is a prerequisite for understanding normal biological functions and for adapting or modifying them for useful purposes. It is also fundamental to understanding abnormal functions that underlie biochemical disorders, ultimately leading to their treatment. Thus, biochemistry is a field with significance and applications across the biological spectrum, from the microbial through the plant and animal kingdoms. The potential significance of new discoveries in biochemistry, coupled with the rapid pace of conceptual and methodological advances in the field, make modern biochemistry a most exciting area for study and research.
The Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology offers a program leading to the Bachelor of Science degree. The undergraduate program coexists with an extensive graduate program for students seeking the M.S. or Ph.D. degrees. Both undergraduate and graduate students have ready access to a large and diverse faculty representing expertise in the various areas of modern biochemistry.

Biochemistry have many career opportunities that make use of the knowledge gained during study at the undergraduate or graduate level. These include research in industrial, academic, or government laboratories; teaching at the high school or higher levels; and marketing, management, or administrative responsibilities in enterprises where training in biochemistry is an asset.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

BIOCHEMISTRY and MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

Bachelor of Science

The Bachelor of Science program in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology for students in the College of Natural Science combines the elements of a liberal education with thorough preparation in biochemistry and molecular biology and the underlying principles of biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics. It is intended primarily for those students who wish to pursue a career in which a sound knowledge of biochemistry and molecular biology is necessary, or for students who plan further studies at the graduate or professional level. With suitable choice of electives, the B.S. program offers the option of merging rigorous training in biochemistry and molecular biology with development of writing or pedagogical skills, leading to career options in science writing or teaching.

Undergraduate students are taught by professors who are familiar with the changing directions and emphases in the field of biochemistry and molecular biology. Interested undergraduates are encouraged to participate, along with graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, in the on–going research of one of the faculty members.

Students seeking admission to the program should complete the high school science or college preparatory curriculum, ensuring that their programs include courses required for admission to the university.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major is met by completing Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 495 or 499. Those courses are referenced in item 3. below.

2. Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

3. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. The following courses outside the Department of Biochemistry: 60 to 68 CREDITS

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(2) One of the following groups of courses (8 or 9 credits):

(a) BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology ......... 3
(b) BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology ... 3
(c) BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory .... 2
(d) BS 181H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology ..... 3
(e) BS 182H Honors Organismal and Population Biology .... 3
(f) BS 191H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory .... 2
(g) LB 144 Biology I: Organismal Biology .... 4
(h) LB 145 Biology II: Cellular and Molecular Biology .... 5

(3) One course from each of the following groups of courses (7 or 8 credits):

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(9) Ten additional credits in approved advanced biology courses at the 300–400 level.

b. The following courses in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: 13 CREDITS

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BIOCHEMISTRY and MOLECULAR BIOLOGY/BIOTECHNOLOGY

Bachelor of Science

The Bachelor of Science program in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology/Biotechnology is intended primarily for those students who plan to pursue careers in industry, veterinary medicine, or related health sciences, or for students who plan advanced study in biotechnology and molecular biology.

The core curriculum in the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology/Biotechnology program is identical to that of the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology program. Additional course work introduces the student to the chemical engineering and microbiological aspects of biotechnology and allows for specialization through biological and chemical research.
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Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

a broad range of approved biotechnology courses in the junior and senior years.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology/Biotechnology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology/Biotechnology.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology/Biotechnology major is by completing Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 495 or 499. Those courses are referenced in item 3. below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: 70 to 80 CREDITS

      (1) All of the following courses (10 credits):
      CHE 201 Material and Energy Balances ........... 3
      CEM 252 Quantitative Analysis .................. 4
      CEM 355 Organic Laboratory I .................. 2
      CEM 356 Organic Laboratory II ................ 2

      (2) One of the following courses in each of the following groups of courses (9 or 8 credits):
      (a) BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology .......... 3
      (b) BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology .. 3
      (c) BS 181H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology . 3
      (d) BS 182H Honors Organismal and Population Biology ... 3
      (e) BS 191H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory ... 2
      (f) LB 144 Biology I: Organismal Biology ....... 4
      (g) LB 145 Biology II: Cellular and Molecular Biology/5

      (3) One course from each of the following groups of courses (7 or 8 credits):
      (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry ................. 4
      (b) CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry . 4
      (c) CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I ............... 4
      (d) LB 171 Principles of Chemistry I .......... 4
      (e) LB 172 Principles of Chemistry II ......... 4

      (4) One course from each of the following groups of courses (2 or 4 credits):
      (a) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I .......... 1
      (b) CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II ........... 1
      (c) LB 171L Introductory Chemistry Laboratory I. 1
      (d) LB 172L Introductory Chemistry Laboratory II... 1

      (5) One course from each of the following groups of courses (6 credits):
      (a) CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I ............... 3
      (b) CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II .......... 3
      (c) CEM 352 Organic Chemistry II ............ 3

      (6) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
      CSE 131 Technical Computing and Problem Solving . 3
      CSE 231 Introduction to Programming I ....... 4

      (7) One course from each of the following groups of courses (8 to 8 credits):
      (a) MTH 132 Calculus I .................. 3
      (b) MTH 152H Honors Calculus I .......... 3
      (c) MTH 152J Calculus I ................ 4
      (d) MTH 133 Calculus II ............... 4
      (e) MTH 153H Honors Calculus II ....... 3
      (f) MTH 153J Calculus II .......... 4

      (8) One of the following courses (3 credits):
      CEM 383 Introductory Physical Chemistry I .... 3
      CEM 384 Introductory Physical Chemistry II .. 3

      (9) One of the following courses (8 or 10 credits):
      (a) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I . 4
      (b) PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II .. 4
      (c) PHY 231 Introductory Physics I ........... 3
      (d) PHY 232 Introductory Physics II .......... 3
      (e) PHY 233B Calculus Concepts in Physics I . 3
      (f) PHY 234B Calculus Concepts in Physics II .... 2
      (g) LB 273 Physics I .................. 4
      (h) LB 274 Physics II .......... 4

      (10) One of the following courses (3 credits):
      BMB 472 Advanced Molecular Biology Laboratory ........... 3
      CSS 451 Biotechnology Applications for Plant Breeding and Genetics ... 3
      MMG 408 Advanced Microbiology Laboratory (W) ....... 3

      (11) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
      CSS 350 Introduction to Plant Genetics .......... 3
      ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ............ 4

      (12) Eleven additional credits in approved advanced biotechnology courses at the 300-400 level.

   b. All of the following courses in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: 10 CREDITS

      (1) BM 101 Frontiers in Biochemistry ............ 1
      (2) BM 461 Advanced Biochemistry I ........... 3
      (3) BM 462 Advanced Biochemistry II ........ 3
      (4) BM 471 Advanced Biochemistry Laboratory ..

   c. One of the following capstone courses (2 to 8 credits):
      BMB 495 Undergraduate Seminar (W) .......... 2
      BMB 499 Senior Thesis (W) .............. 2 to 8
      LB 492 Senior Seminar (W) ............. 4

GRADUATE STUDY

The Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology is administered jointly by the colleges of Natural Science, Human Medicine, and Osteopathic Medicine. Study for the Master of Science or Doctor of Philosophy degree with a major in biochemistry and molecular biology may be administered by any one of the three colleges referenced above. Study for the Doctor of Philosophy degree with a major in biochemistry and molecular biology—environmental toxicology is administered by the College of Natural Science. In addition, students may pursue dual majors with the Departments of Chemistry, Computer Science and Engineering, or Physics and Astronomy.

Areas of active research in the department are extensive and diverse. Such areas include protein structure, molecular biophysics, plant biochemistry, biochemistry of gene expression, metalloenzymology, biochemical instrumentation, eukaryotic and prokaryotic molecular biology, intermediary metabolism, metabolic regulation, and membrane biochemistry. Opportunities are also available for joint programs or research in genetics, neuroscience, toxicology, biotechnology, microbial ecology, and plant sciences.

BIOCHEMISTRY and MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

The major objectives of the graduate programs in biochemistry are to help students to develop their creative potential and to prepare them for careers in research and teaching in the biochemical sciences. Students’ programs of study are designed to develop independent thought as well as broad knowledge and technical skills, through formal and informal courses, laboratory experience, seminars, individual study, and, foremost, through original research that forms the basis for the student’s thesis or dissertation.

Master of Science

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, Human Medicine, or Osteopathic Medicine, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

Persons with bachelor's degrees in chemistry, biochemistry, or any of several biological, physical, medical, or agricultural sciences are invited to apply for admission. Undergraduate preparation should include courses in general, organic, analytical, and physical chemistry, and in physics, general biology, basic biochemistry, and mathematics through calculus. Minor deficiencies may be rectified by taking appropriate undergraduate courses concurrently with graduate courses.
Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

A total of 30 credits is required for the degree under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis). Most students earn the degree under Plan A. A student may pursue Plan B only with the approval of the department’s Director of Graduate Studies and chairperson. Such approval is granted only in exceptional cases. The program of study is planned by the student and the major professor. Specific courses in biochemistry, as well as courses in other areas considered relevant to the student’s interests and chosen research area, are included in the program.

Doctor of Philosophy

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, Human Medicine, or Osteopathic Medicine, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

Person’s with a bachelor's or master’s degree in chemistry, biochemistry, or any of several biological, physical, medical, or agricultural sciences are invited to apply for admission. Undergraduate preparation should include courses in general, organic, analytical, and physical chemistry, and in physics, general biology, basic biochemistry, and mathematics through calculus. Minor deficiencies may be rectified by taking appropriate undergraduate collateral courses concurrently with graduate courses.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

The program of study is planned by the student in consultation with the major professor and a guidance committee. Specific courses in biochemistry, as well as courses in other areas considered relevant to the student’s interests and chosen research area, are included in the program.

It is expected that the dissertation will show original treatment of an important research problem, will give evidence of independent thought, and will be clearly, logically, and carefully written. It is also expected that the research on which the dissertation is based will be published in the scientific literature.

BIOMOLECULAR SCIENCE GATEWAY - FIRST YEAR

Students are encouraged to apply for admission to the Ph.D. program through the BioMolecular Science Gateway – First Year, where students choose a doctoral major from any of six Ph.D. programs: biochemistry and molecular biology, cell and molecular biology, genetics, microbiology and molecular genetics, pharmacology and toxicology, or physiology. For additional information refer to the College of Natural Science section of this catalog.

BIOCHEMISTRY and MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in biochemistry and molecular biology—environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Doctoral Program in Environmental and Integrative Toxicological Sciences in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

BIOMEDICAL LABORATORY DIAGNOSTICS PROGRAM

John Gerlach, Director

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Laboratory testing to diagnose, monitor, and treat human disease is a critical component of modern health care. The Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program offers three undergraduate degree programs to assist students in entering the exciting, hi-tech world of the clinical laboratory. Medical laboratory science, historically called medical technology, is the health profession focused on the provision of high quality medical laboratory tests on blood and body fluids. Diagnostic molecular science is a related laboratory profession specializing in DNA testing. Based in the sciences of chemistry, biology, mathematics, and physics, the profession provides challenging careers for individuals interested in the medical applications of these sciences. Medical laboratory scientists manage the testing process from the selection of high quality tests to the reporting of results to the health care provider. This includes method selection and development, assay performance, and results analysis in a highly automated and computerized environment. Clinical laboratory scientists and diagnostic molecular scientists also manage laboratory operations including quality assurance, marketing, personnel management, regulatory compliance, and financial management. Students desiring such a career should plan to gain national certification as a Medical Laboratory Scientist (MLS). Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program advisors will assist students in this process.

The curricula in the Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program build on a foundation of basic science. Courses such as hematology, immunology, immunohematology, hemostasis, clinical microbiology, molecular laboratory diagnostics, and clinical chemistry have a diagnostic medical emphasis. As a result, many students preparing for graduate professional education in medicine, dentistry, veterinary sciences, forensics, and other health professions select a Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program major.

Employment in medical diagnostic laboratories is just one of the many opportunities available to graduates. The skills applicable to a medical laboratory translate readily into research and industrial settings. Graduates also find employment in pharmaceutical and medical supply sales. Alumni successfully compete for admission to graduate and graduate professional schools.

Three undergraduate programs that lead to the Bachelor of Science degree are available: biomedical laboratory science, clinical laboratory sciences and diagnostic molecular science. These programs are designed to meet the professional needs of graduates entering a highly regulated and rapidly changing technological environment and to prepare students for continuing professional education and advanced study beyond the bachelor’s degree.

BIOMEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE

The biomedical laboratory science major is designed to prepare students for careers as laboratory technicians in the health professions. Students desiring certification are responsible for securing accredited clinical experiences subsequent to completion of the degree require-
requirements. The Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program will assist students in seeking and gaining placements.

Admission as a Junior
Students must meet the requirements for admission to the College of Natural Science.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science
1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science. The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Biomedical Laboratory Science major is met by completing Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics 455. That course is referenced in item 3. b. below.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Admissions Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. Courses outside Biomedical Laboratory Science: 4 to 48 credits

(1) All of the following courses (26 credits):
- BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology 3 credits
- BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory 2 credits
- CEM 141 General Chemistry 4 credits
- CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I 1 credit
- CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II 1 credit
- CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I 3 credits
- CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II 3 credits
- MMG 463 Medical Microbiology 3 credits
- PHY 231 Introductory Physics I 3 credits
- PHY 232 Introductory Physics II 3 credits

(2) One of the following courses (3 credits):
- MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I 3 credits
- MTH 132 Calculus I 3 credits

(3) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
- STT 201 Statistical Methods 3 credits
- STT 205 Statistical Methods 4 credits
- STT 231 Statistics for Scientists 3 credits
- STT 344 Statistics II 3 credits
- STT 421 Statistics I 3 credits

(4) One of the following, either (a) or (b) (4 or 6 credits):
- (a) BMB 401 Comprehensive Biochemistry 4 credits
- (b) BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I 3 credits

(5) One of the following, either (a), (b), or (c) (4 or 6 credits):
- (a) PSL 250 Introductory Physiology 4 credits
- (b) PSL 310 Physiology for Pre-Health Professionals 4 credits
- (c) PSL 431 Human Physiology I 3 credits

(6) One of the following courses (3 credits):
- MMG 201 Fundamentals of Microbiology 3 credits
- MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology 3 credits

b. All of the following Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics courses: 31 credits

- BLD 204 Mechanisms of Disease 3 credits
- BLD 213 Application of Clinical Laboratory Principles 2 credits
- BLD 220 Preparing for a Health Professions Career 1 credit
- BLD 324 Fundamentals of Hematology, Hemostasis, and Urology 4 credits
- BLD 414 Clinical Chemistry Analysis and Practice 3 credits
- BLD 416 Clinical Chemistry 4 credits
- BLD 424 Advanced Hematology, Hemostasis, and Urology 2 credits
- BLD 430 Molecular Laboratory Diagnostics 2 credits
- BLD 434 Clinical Immunology 3 credits
- BLD 435 Transfusion and Transplantation Medicine 3 credits
- BLD 450 Eukaryotic Pathogens 3 credits
- BLD 455 Integrating Clinical Laboratory Science Discipline (W) 2 credits

CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

The clinical laboratory sciences major is designed to prepare students for certification in medical technology/clinical laboratory science. The program includes courses in the biomedical laboratory sciences, communications, mathematics and statistics, and clinical laboratory sciences coupled with clinical praxis experiences. It is designed to prepare graduates for certification and immediate employment in clinical laboratories upon graduation by including a six-month hospital laboratory experience. Admission to this program is limited. Students seeking admission must complete the admission procedure outlined below.

The Bachelor of Science degree program in clinical laboratory sciences has been accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences, 5600 N. River Road, Suite 720, Rosemont, Illinois 60018; phone (773) 714-8880.

Admission as a Junior

Enrollment in the clinical laboratory sciences major is limited. A new class is admitted at the junior level each fall semester. Students beyond junior standing may be considered for admission contingent upon the projected schedule for completion of the degree requirements and availability of clinical placement sites. Applications for admission are accepted at any time.

To be considered for admission, the applicant must meet the following minimal criteria, in addition to the College of Natural Science admission requirements:

1. Have an overall grade-point average of 2.5 or better including courses taken at other institutions.
2. Have completed Biological Science 161 and 171; Chemistry 251 and 252; and Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics 213.

Students may apply before attainment of the above criteria in order to demonstrate their intentions to major in clinical laboratory sciences, however their applications will not be processed until all requirements are fulfilled. Students who present other exceptional credentials but do not meet the grade-point criterion noted above may be considered for admission on a probationary basis.

Applications for admission to the clinical laboratory sciences major are reviewed by a committee of faculty. Factors considered by the Admission Committee in the applicant’s review and admission action are (1) academic record including grade-point averages in science and non-science courses, (2) grades for selected preclinical courses, (3) laboratory science exposure, (4) interview, and (5) compositions.

Academic Standards

To progress to the clinical phase of the curriculum, students must earn a grade-point average of 2.0 or higher in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics 463 and Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics 324, 417, and 435.

A specific statement of the policies for the clinical phase is provided in the Student Policies for Clinical Laboratory Science Students. These policies are provided to all students upon acceptance to the major, but may be obtained earlier from the Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program, 322 N. Kedzie Hall. Admitted students are responsible for knowing and adhering to these program policies.
Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Clinical Laboratory Sciences

1. A minimum of 136 credits is required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Clinical Laboratory Sciences.
2. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog.
3. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 4. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

4. The following requirements for the major:

   a. Courses outside Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics: 48 to 50 credits
      (1) All of the following courses (31 credits):
      - BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology 3
      - BS 171 Pre-professional Laboratory 2
      - CEM 141 General Chemistry 4
      - CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I 1
      - CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II 1
      - CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I 3
      - CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II 3
      - CEM 333 Instrumental Methods and Applications 3
      - MMG 463 Medical Microbiology 3
      - MMG 464 Diagnostic Microbiology Laboratory 2
      - PHY 231 Introductory Physics I 3
      - PHY 232 Introductory Physics II 3
      (2) One of the following courses (3 credits):
      - MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I 3
      - MTH 132 Calculus I 3
      (3) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
      - STT 200 Statistical Methods 3
      - STT 201 Statistical Methods 4
      - STT 231 Statistics for Scientists 3
      - STT 351 Probability and Statistics for Engineering 3
      - STT 421 Statistics I 3
      (4) One of the following, either (a) or (b) (4 or 6 credits):
      (a) BMB 401 Comprehensive Biochemistry 4
      (b) BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I 3
      (b) BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II 3
      (5) One of the following, either (a), (b), or (c) (4 or 6 credits):
      (a) PSL 250 Introductory Physiology 4
      (b) PSL 310 Physiology for Pre-Health Professionals 4
      (c) PSL 431 Human Physiology I 3
      (c) PSL 432 Human Physiology II 3
      (6) One of the following courses (3 credits):
      - MMG 201 Fundamentals of Microbiology 3
      - MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology 3
      - MMG 302 Introductory Microbiology 3
      - BLD 204 Mechanisms of Disease 3
      - BLD 213 Application of Clinical Laboratory Principles 2
      - BLD 220 Preparing for a Health Professions Career 3
      - BLD 324 Fundamentals of Hematology, Hemostasis and Urinalysis 3
      - BLD 324L Introductory Laboratory in Hematology Laboratory 3
      - BLD 416 Clinical Chemistry 1
      - BLD 417 Quality Processes in Diagnostic Laboratory Testing 2
      - BLD 424 Advanced Hematology, Hemostasis, and Urinalysis 2
      - BLD 424L Advanced Laboratory in Hematology, Hemostasis, and Urinalysis 2
      - BLD 430 Molecular Laboratory Diagnostics 2
      - BLD 433 Clinical Immunology and Immunohematology Laboratory 1
      - BLD 434 Clinical Immunology 1
      - BLD 435 Transfusion and Transplantation Medicine 3
      - BLD 442 Education and Management in the Clinical Laboratory 2
      - BLD 471 Advanced Clinical Chemistry Laboratory 3
      - BLD 472 Advanced Clinical Chemistry 1
      - BLD 473 Advanced Clinical Hematology and Body Fluids Laboratory 3
      - BLD 474 Advanced Clinical Hematology and Body Fluids 1
      - BLD 475 Advanced Clinical Immunology and Immunohematology Laboratory 2
      - BLD 476 Advanced Clinical Immunology and Immunohematology 1
      - BLD 477 Advanced Clinical Microbiology Laboratory 1

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Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program

DIAGNOSTIC MOLECULAR SCIENCE

Diagnostic molecular science is the allied health profession whose practitioners specialize in performing medical laboratory tests on DNA and RNA. These tests are used to diagnose and monitor hereditary conditions and acquired diseases such as leukemia and infectious diseases. The diagnostic molecular science major is a professional program designed to prepare students for national certification in diagnostic molecular science qualifying them to work in medical laboratories performing molecular testing. Graduates will also be prepared for positions in research and industrial laboratories. The program includes courses in mathematics and statistics, molecular biology, genetics, chemistry, biochemistry, and clinical laboratory sciences and includes a semester-long practicum experience in clinical and other laboratories. The first phase of the program is the pre-professional and preparatory courses that include the university and college requirements as well as prerequisites to the major courses. The second phase is the on-campus professional (major) courses. The third phase is a clinical practicum in clinical and other laboratories.

Admission as a Junior

Enrollment in the diagnostic molecular science major is limited. A new class is admitted at the junior level each calendar year. Applications for admission must be received by December 1 in the year in which admission is sought.

To be considered for admission, the applicant must meet the following minimal criteria, in addition to the College of Natural Science requirements:
1. Have an overall grade-point average of 2.5.
2. Have completed a minimum of 56 credits which must include the following courses:
   a. Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics 213.
   b. Chemistry 162, 251, and 252.
   c. Mathematics 116 or equivalent.
   d. Biological Science 161 and 171.

Applications for admission to the diagnostic molecular science major are reviewed by a committee of the faculty. Factors considered by the admission committee in the applicant’s review and admission action are (1) grade-point average in science and non-science courses, (2) grade-point average for selected pre-clinical laboratory science courses, (3) diagnostic laboratory exposure, (4) interview, and (5) written compositions.

Academic Standards

To progress to the clinical phase of the curriculum, students must earn a 2.0 or higher in Zoology 341, and Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics 436 and 438.

A specific statement of the policies for the clinical phase is provided in the Student Policies for Diagnostic Molecular Science Students. These policies are provided to all students upon acceptance to the major, but may be obtained earlier from the Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program, 322 N. Kedzie Hall. Admitted students are responsible for knowing and adhering to these program policies.
Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Diagnostic Molecular Science

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Diagnostic Molecular Science.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Diagnostic Molecular Science major is met by completing Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics 455. That course is referenced in item 3.b below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

   The completion of Statistics 200 or 201 referenced in item 3. a (4) may also satisfy the University mathematics requirement.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. Courses outside biomedical laboratory diagnostics: 46 or 47

      (1) All of the following courses (33 credits):

         BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry .................................... 3
         BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II ................................... 3
         BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology .................................. 3
         BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory .................... 2
         CEM 141 General Chemistry ......................................... 4
         CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I .................................... 4
         CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II ................................... 1
         CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I ...................................... 3
         CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II ...................................... 3
         PHY 231 Introductory Physics I ..................................... 3
         PHY 232 Introductory Physics II .................................... 3
         ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ...................................... 3

      (2) One of the following courses (3 credits):

         MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I ....................................... 3
         MTH 125 Calculus I ................................................... 3

      (3) One of the following courses (4 credits):

         PSL 250 Introductory Physiology .................................... 4

      (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

         STT 200 Statistical Methods ......................................... 3
         STT 201 Statistical Methods ......................................... 4
         STT 231 Statistics for Scientists .................................... 4
         STT 421 Statistics I ................................................... 3

   b. All of the following biomedical laboratory diagnostics courses: 29

      BLD 204 Mechanisms of Disease ...................................... 3
      BLD 213 Application of Clinical Laboratory Principles ............ 2
      BLD 220 Preparing for a Health Professions Career ............... 1
      BLD 414 Clinical Chemistry Analysis and Practice .................. 3
      BLD 420 Essentials of Diagnostic Molecular Science ............ 2
      BLD 437 Clinical Applications of Diagnostic Molecular Science .... 2
      BLD 438 Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory .......................... 2
      BLD 442 Education and Management in the Clinical Laboratory .... 2
      BLD 455 Integrating Clinical Laboratory Science (W) .............. 2
      BLD 482 Advanced Diagnostic Molecular Science .................... 2
      BLD 483 Molecular Diagnostic Experience in Hematopathology and Oncology ........... 2
      BLD 484 Molecular Diagnostic Experience in Infectious Disease .... 2
      BLD 485 Molecular Diagnostic Experience in Inherited and Predictive Genetics .......... 2
      BLD 486 Molecular Diagnostic Experience in Genotyping and Individual Identification ................ 2

   c. At least two of the following courses: 5 to 7

      BLD 324 Fundamentals of Hematology, Hemostasis, and Urinalysis .......................... 3
      BLD 416 Clinical Chemistry ........................................... 4
      BLD 424 Advanced Hematology, Hemostasis, and Urinalysis ...... 2
      BLD 434 Clinical Immunology ........................................ 3
      MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology ..................................... 3
      MMG 431 Microbial Genetics .......................................... 3
      MMG 433 Microbial Genomics ......................................... 3
      MMG 445 Inherited and Predictive Genetics (W) ...................... 3
      MMG 463 Medical Microbiology ........................................ 3
      ZOL 450 Cancer Biology (W) .......................................... 3

   d. One of the following courses (3 credits): 2

      BLD 836 Adverse Transfusion Outcomes: Detection, Monitoring, and Prevention ................. 3
      BLD 837 Transfusion Service Operations and Management ........... 3
      BLD 842 Managing Biomedical Laboratory Operations ........... 2
      BLD 844 Topics in Biomedical Laboratory Operations ............ 2
      BLD 846 Decision Processes for Biomedical Laboratory Operations .......... 2
      BLD 850 Concepts in Immunodiagnosics ................................ 2
      BLD 851 Clinical Application of Immunodiagnostic Principles ........ 2

   3. Complete 5 credits of electives as approved by the guidance committee.

   4. Successfully complete a capstone project.

GRADUATE STUDY

Three master's degree programs are available. The Master of Science degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science program for working professionals is available as a non-thesis option. The Master of Science degree in Clinical Laboratory Science program is a traditional science-oriented degree with both thesis and non-thesis options. The Master of Science in Biomedical Laboratory Operations program is a blending of business management with the science needed to prepare managers for positions in regulated research, industry and medical settings. All three master’s degrees are available in an online format.

BIOMEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE

The Master of Arts degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science is administered by the Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program. The program is designed to enhance the student’s knowledge base and broaden their perspectives across the profession. In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet all requirements specified below.

Admission

Regular admission to the Master of Arts degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science requires completion of a bachelor of science degree, with a minimum grade-point average of 3.0. Applicants must submit official transcripts, three letters of recommendation, a letter of intent or purpose statement, a brief resume, and the General GRE (Graduate Record Exam) score. The GRE exam score can be waived in lieu of a professional credential or a waiver request to the Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Program Admission Committee. For applicants in which English is not their first language, the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) must be taken. Scholastic record, experience, personal qualifications and career goals are taken into consideration to determine the applicant’s acceptability.

Applicants who fail to meet the criteria for regular admission, may apply for provisional admission if they have demonstrated a high probability of success and will be provided other options to obtain a post-baccalaureate clinical laboratory education.

Complete information regarding the admission process can be found at www.bld.msu.edu.

Requirements for the Master of Arts Degree in Biomedical Laboratory Science

The program is available online and only under Plan B (without thesis). The student must complete a total of 30 credits from the following:

   CREDITS

1. All of the following courses (8 or 9 credits):

   BLD 801 Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Seminar .......... 1
   BLD 811 Fundamentals of Scientific Research ..................... 1
   BLD 821 Advanced Clinical Laboratory Practice ................. 1
   BLD 890 Selected Problems in Clinical Laboratory Science ....... 2 or 3
   PrMt 830 Experimental Design and Analysis ....................... 3

2. Complete at least 15 credits from the following courses:

   BLD 815 Cell Biology in Health and Disease I .................... 2
   BLD 816 Cell Biology in Health and Disease II .................... 2
   BLD 830 Concepts in Molecular Biology .......................... 2
   BLD 831 Clinical Application of Molecular Biology .............. 2
   BLD 835 Hemostasis, Thrombosis and Effective Resource Management .................. 3
   BLD 836 Adverse Transfusion Outcomes: Detection, Monitoring, and Prevention .......... 2
   BLD 837 Transfusion Service Operations and Management .......... 1
   BLD 842 Managing Biomedical Laboratory Operations ............ 2
   BLD 844 Topics in Biomedical Laboratory Operations ............ 2
   BLD 846 Decision Processes for Biomedical Laboratory Operations ...... 2
   BLD 850 Concepts in Immunodiagnosics ................................ 2
   BLD 851 Clinical Application of Immunodiagnostic Principles ........ 2

   3. Complete 5 credits of electives as approved by the guidance committee.

   4. Successfully complete a capstone project.

The program is available online and only under Plan B (without thesis). The student must complete a total of 30 credits from the following:

   CREDITS

1. All of the following courses (8 or 9 credits):

   BLD 801 Biomedical Laboratory Diagnostics Seminar .......... 1
   BLD 811 Fundamentals of Scientific Research ..................... 1
   BLD 821 Advanced Clinical Laboratory Practice ................. 1
   BLD 890 Selected Problems in Clinical Laboratory Science ....... 2 or 3
   PrMt 830 Experimental Design and Analysis ....................... 3

2. Complete at least 15 credits from the following courses:

   BLD 815 Cell Biology in Health and Disease I .................... 2
   BLD 816 Cell Biology in Health and Disease II .................... 2
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   BLD 836 Adverse Transfusion Outcomes: Detection, Monitoring, and Prevention .......... 2
   BLD 837 Transfusion Service Operations and Management .......... 1
   BLD 842 Managing Biomedical Laboratory Operations ............ 2
   BLD 844 Topics in Biomedical Laboratory Operations ............ 2
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   BLD 850 Concepts in Immunodiagnosics ................................ 2
   BLD 851 Clinical Application of Immunodiagnostic Principles ........ 2

   3. Complete 5 credits of electives as approved by the guidance committee.

   4. Successfully complete a capstone project.
CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

The graduate program in clinical laboratory sciences leads to the Master of Science degree. The program emphasizes the multidisciplinary nature of the laboratory sciences, encourages research that crosses traditional laboratory disciplines, and promotes innovative thinking.

The curriculum is customized to the student's interests and to supporting the project each student identifies. Students may conduct research projects with both resident and adjunct faculty.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

Certification as a medical technologist/clinical laboratory scientist is preferred, but not required, for admission to the master's degree program in clinical laboratory sciences.

For additional information on admission, contact the Graduate Program Director, North Kedzie Hall, 354 Farm Lane, Room 322, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan 48824–1031.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Clinical Laboratory Sciences

A total of 30 credits is required for the degree under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis). The student's program of study must be approved by the student's academic advisor.

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BIOMEDICAL LABORATORY OPERATIONS

Master of Science

The master's degree program in biomedical laboratory operations is designed for individuals with previous clinical laboratory experience who seek career advancement as managers, administrators, researchers, entrepreneurs and policymakers in the field. The core of this program resides in three major components: science, management and practice. The science component focuses on post-baccalaureate courses planned to develop a high level of competence within the student's chosen biomedical laboratory discipline. The management component provides a solid foundation in general business including resource management, communication skills, organizational structures, decision making, and essential aspects of working in a regulated industry. The degree is intended to expose individuals to real-life problems with an expectation of generating positive, realistic solutions.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Department of Chemistry

Robert E. Maleczka Jr., Chairperson

Chemistry is the science concerned with the properties, composition, structure, and reactivity of matter. Synthesis of new organic and inorganic compounds and materials is central to chemistry and is complemented by efforts to develop analytical methods and instrumentation needed to identify and characterize these substances. Studies of reaction rates, thermodynamics, and molecular structure contribute to a deeper understanding of chemical transformations, providing a basis for optimization of known reactions and discovery of new reactions. The work of chemists is not limited to laboratory experiments. Computational approaches are increasingly important tools in understanding molecular structure and reactivity, designing new materials, and discovering new drugs. The molecular-level understanding provided by chemistry plays an important role in interdisciplinary research to solve complex problems in medicine, energy capture and stor-
age, advanced materials, and environmental science. Chemists find employment in education, government, and diverse industries including but not limited to pharmaceuticals, agrichemicals, consumer products, paper, electronics, and plastics. Study of chemistry at the undergraduate and graduate level also provides an excellent foundation for post-graduate study in medicine, public policy and patent law.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

CHEMISTRY

Bachelor of Science

The degree Bachelor of Science with a major in chemistry is designed to provide a thorough foundation in the various fields of chemistry and the related sciences, as well as a proper educational balance in the liberal arts. The program is for students planning careers in the chemical industries or in governmental laboratories and for those planning graduate study in chemistry. The Bachelor of Science degree program in chemistry has been accredited by the American Chemical Society.

The completion of one or more semesters of independent research (Chemistry 400H or 420) is strongly recommended for students in this program.

A detailed description of this program may be obtained from the department.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Chemistry major is met by completing Chemistry 395, 415, 435, and 495. Those courses are referenced in Items 3.b. (3) and 3.b. (4) below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in Item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3.b. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3.b. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Chemistry:.. 95 to 115

      (1) One of the following courses (3 to 5 credits):
      BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology ..........3
      BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology ..3
      BS 181H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology ..3
      ENT 205 Pests, Society and Environment ..3
      LB 144 Biology I: Organismal Biology ....4
      LB 145 Biology II: Cellular and Molecular Biology ..5
      MMG 201 Fundamentals of Microbiology ....3
      PLB 105 Plant Biology ..................................3
      PSL 250 Introductory Physiology ..................4
      ZOL 141 Introductory Human Genetics ....3

      (2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
      LB 118 Calculus I ....................................4
      MTH 132 Calculus I ..................................4
      MTH 152H Honors Calculus I ..................3

      (3) One of the following courses (4 credits):
      LB 119 Calculus II ...................................4
      MTH 133 Calculus II ..................................4
      MTH 153H Honors Calculus II .................4

      (4) One of the following courses (4 credits):
      LB 220 Calculus III ..................................4
      MTH 233 Multivariable Calculus ...............4
      MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus ....4

      (5) One of the following courses (3 credits):
      MTH 235 Differential Equations ..........3
      MTH 255H Honors Differential Equations ....3

      MTH 340 Ordinary Differential Equations I ...3
      MTH 347H Honors Ordinary Differential Equations 3

      (6) One of the following groups of courses (8 or 10 credits):
      (a) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I ..........4
      PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ........4
      PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists I ...........1
      PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists II ..........1
      (b) PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists I ...........1
      PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists II ..........1
      PHY 193H Honors Physics I – Mechanics ..............4
      PHY 294H Honors Physics II – Electromagnetism ....4
      (c) LB 273 Physics I ..................................4
      LB 274 Physics II ......................................4

      (7) One of the following, either (a) or (b) (4 or 6 credits):
      (a) BMB 401 Comprehensive Biochemistry ........4
      (b) BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I ............3
      BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II ............4

   b. The following courses in the Department of Chemistry:.. 44 to 46

      (1) One of the following pairs of courses (7 or 8 credits):
      (a) CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry ...4
      CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry ..........3
      (b) CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I ..................4
      CEM 182H Honors Chemistry II .................4
      (c) LB 171 Principles of Chemistry I ..............4
      LB 172 Principles of Chemistry II .............3

      (2) One of the following groups of courses (4 or 5 credits):
      (a) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ..............1
      CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II ...............1
      CEM 262 Quantitative Analysis ................3
      (b) CEM 185H Honors Chemistry Laboratory I ...1
      CEM 186H Honors Chemistry Laboratory II ..2
      (c) CEM 262 Quantitative Analysis ...............3
      LB 171L Introductory Chemistry Laboratory I .1
      LB 172L Principles of Chemistry II - Reactivity Laboratory ..........1

      (3) All of the following courses (30 credits):
      CEM 351 Organic Chemistry I .....................3
      CEM 352 Organic Chemistry II ....................3
      CEM 355 Organic Laboratory I ....................3
      CEM 356 Organic Laboratory II ...................2
      CEM 395 Analytical/Physical Chemistry Laboratory ...2
      CEM 411 Inorganic Chemistry ....................4
      CEM 434 Advanced Analytical Chemistry ..........3
      CEM 435 Analytical Chemistry Laboratory ........3
      CEM 483 Quantum Chemistry .....................3
      CEM 484 Molecular Thermodynamics ............3
      CEM 495 Molecular Spectroscopy ..................2

      (4) The following capstone course (3 credits):
      CEM 415 Advanced Synthesis Laboratory ....3

Bachelor of Arts

Many occupations require a moderate training in chemistry combined with training in one or more other areas. Accordingly, the Bachelor of Arts degree is intended for the students desiring a lesser degree of specialization than required for the Bachelor of Science degree. Students who desire chemistry as a major in the programs of premedicine, predentistry and prelaw, or as training for many professional or industrial positions, may elect this program. Ample opportunity in the choice of electives is provided for students who are planning to obtain positions such as the following: technical secretaries, technical librarians, technical sales personnel, chemical patent lawyers, and criminologists. Additional collateral work may be necessary if this program is presented for admission to a school of graduate studies. A more detailed statement may be obtained from the Department of Chemistry.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chemistry

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Chemistry.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Chemistry major is met by completing Chemistry 333. That course is referenced in Item 3.b. (5) below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in Item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3.b. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Arts degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3.b. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:
CHEMICAL PHYSICS

Bachelor of Science

The major in Chemical Physics provides a strong foundation in chemistry, physics, and mathematics for those students who have a professional interest in the areas of overlap between chemistry and physics. It is particularly suitable for students planning to pursue a graduate degree in the area of chemical physics or physical chemistry.

A detailed description of this program may be obtained from the Department of Chemistry.

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### Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemical Physics

1. **The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Physics.**

2. **The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.**

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. **The following requirements for the major:****

   - **a. The following courses outside the Department of Chemistry:**
     - **(1) One of the following courses (3 to 5 credits):**
       - BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology
       - BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology
       - BS 181H Honors Organismal and Population Biology
       - ENT 205 Pests, Society and Environment
       - LB 144 Biology I: Organismal Biology
       - LB 145 Biology II: Cellular and Molecular Biology
       - MMG 201 Fundamentals to Microbiology
       - PLB 105 Plant Biology
       - ZOL 141 Introductory Human Genetics
     - **(2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):**
       - LB 118 Calculus I
       - MTH 132 Calculus I
       - MTH 152H Honors Calculus I
     - **(3) One of the following groups of courses (4 credits):**
       - LB 119 Calculus II
       - MTH 133 Calculus II
       - MTH 153H Honors Calculus II
     - **(4) One of the following groups of courses (8 or 10 credits):**
       - **(a) PHY 231 Introductory Physics I**
       - **(b) PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I**
       - **(c) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I**
       - **(d) LB 273 Physics I**
       - **(e) LB 274 Physics II**
     - **b. The following courses in the Department of Chemistry:**
       - **(1) One of the following pairs of courses (7 or 8 credits):**
         - **(a) CEM 141 General Chemistry I**
         - **(b) CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry I**
         - **(c) CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry I**
         - **(d) CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I**
         - **(e) CEM 182H Honors Chemistry II**
         - **(f) LB 171 Principles of Chemistry I**
         - **(g) LB 172 Principles of Chemistry II**
       - **(2) One of the following pairs of courses (4 or 5 credits):**
         - **(a) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I**
         - **(b) CEM 262 Quantitative Analysis I**
         - **(c) CEM 185H Honors Chemistry Laboratory I**
         - **(d) CEM 186H Honors Chemistry Laboratory II**
         - **(e) CB 262 Quantitative Analysis II**
         - **(f) LB 171L Introductory Chemistry Laboratory I**
         - **(g) LB 172L Principles of Chemistry II - Reactivity Laboratory**
       - **(3) One of the following pairs of courses (6 credits):**
         - **(a) CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I**
         - **(b) CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II**
         - **(c) CEM 351 Organic Chemistry I**
         - **(d) CEM 352 Organic Chemistry II**
       - **(4) One of the following courses (2 credits):**
         - **CEM 255 Organic Chemistry Laboratory**
       - **(5) All of the following courses (10 credits):**
         - **CEM 333 Instrumental Methods and Applications**
         - **CEM 355 Organic Chemistry Laboratory I**
         - **CEM 384 Introductory Physical Chemistry I**
         - **CEM 444 Chemical Safety**
       - **(6) The following capstone course (3 credits):**
         - **CEM 311 Inorganic Chemistry**

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### Computational Chemistry

#### Bachelor of Science

The Bachelor of Science degree program with a major in computational chemistry is designed to provide a thorough foundation in the various fields of chemistry and the related sciences, as well as a proper educational balance in the liberal arts. In addition, it provides a means for chemistry majors with an interest in the application of computers and computing in chemistry to obtain expertise in computer fundamentals. The program is for students planning careers in the chemical industries or in governmental laboratories and for those planning graduate study in chemistry.

#### Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Computational Chemistry

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Computational Chemistry.

   The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Computational Chemistry major is met by completing Chemistry 355, 395, 435, and 481. Those courses are referenced in items 3. b. (3) and 3. b. (4) below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Chemistry:

      | Course                              | CREDITS |
      |-------------------------------------|---------|
      | PHY 491 Atomic, Molecular, and Condensed Matter Physics | 3       |
      | PHY 492 Nuclear and Elementary Particle Physics | 3       |

   b. The following courses in the Department of Chemistry: 27 to 30

      | Course                              | CREDITS |
      |-------------------------------------|---------|
      | (1) One of the following pairs of courses (7 or 8 credits): |
      | (a) CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry | 4       |
      | (b) CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry | 3       |
      | (c) CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I | 4       |
      | (d) CEM 182H Honors Chemistry II | 4       |
      | (2) One of the following groups of courses (4 or 5 credits): |
      | (a) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I | 1       |
      | (b) CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II | 1       |
      | (c) CEM 262 Quantitative Analysis | 3       |
      | (3) One of the following pairs of courses (6 credits):
      | (a) CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I | 3       |
      | (b) CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II | 3       |
      | (c) CEM 351 Organic Chemistry I | 3       |
      | (d) CEM 352 Organic Chemistry II | 3       |
      | (4) One of the following:
      | CEM 333 Instrumental Methods and Applications | 3       |
      | CEM 395 Analytical/Physical Laboratory | 2       |
      | CEM 495 Molecular Spectroscopy | 2       |
      | (5) Both of the following courses (6 credits):
      | CEM 483 Quantum Chemistry | 3       |
      | CEM 484 Molecular Thermodynamics | 3       |
      | (6) The following capstone course (2 credits):
      | CEM 499 Chemical Physics Seminar | 2       |

   The completion of Chemistry 499 fulfills the department’s capstone course requirement. Two enrollments in Chemistry 499 are required, 1 credit per enrollment.

### Teacher Certification Options

The chemistry disciplinary majors leading to the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees are available for teacher certification.

A chemistry disciplinary minor is also available for teacher certification.

Students who elect a chemistry disciplinary major or the chemistry disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Chemistry.

For additional information, refer to the statement on TEACHER CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.

### Graduate Study

The Department of Chemistry offers the graduate degree programs that are listed below:

**Master of Science**

- Chemistry
- Chemical Physics

**Doctor of Philosophy**

- Chemistry
- Chemistry—Environmental Toxicology

Descriptions of the degree programs, organized by fields of study in alphabetical order, are presented below.

### Chemical Physics

**Doctor of Philosophy**

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.
Admission
Only those persons who are enrolled in a Doctor of Philosophy degree program in the Department of Chemistry or the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Michigan State University may petition the Committee on Chemical Physics for admission to the doctoral program in chemical physics.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Chemical Physics
The student must:
1. Pass doctoral comprehensive examinations of the cumulative type. Details about these examinations may be obtained from the department.
2. Complete at least 6 credits in 800–900 level Chemistry courses.
3. Complete at least 6 credits in 800–900 level Physics and Astronomy courses.
4. Pass an oral examination on the proposed research.

CHEMISTRY

Master of Science
For the Master of Science program in chemistry, the areas of study are analytical, inorganic, organic, and physical.

Admission
The student must have a bachelor's degree and an acceptable grade–point average, and must have had an undergraduate program one year each of general, analytical, organic, and physical chemistry, one year of physics, and one year of calculus. Deficiencies in the undergraduate program, such as deficiencies in calculus or in foreign language, must be removed before the degree will be recommended.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Chemistry
A total of 30 credits are required for the program under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis). Most students earn the degree under Plan A. For Plan A, students are required to complete 8 credits of master's thesis research and may be permitted to complete up to 15 credits of master's thesis research; approximately two-thirds of the remaining credits are in the major area and the balance is in other areas.

All entering graduate students must take an orientation examination in each of the four major areas of chemistry and must ultimately achieve at the doctoral qualifying level in one area (for students on Plan A, that area must be the one in which the research is to be performed), and at the minimum proficiency level established by the department in the other three areas.

The program is planned by the student and the major professor in accordance with the student's desire for earning only the master's degree or continuing on to the doctorate.

Doctor of Philosophy
Programs for the Doctor of Philosophy degree, based on a broad and thorough undergraduate program, emphasize study and original research in one of the following areas: analytical, inorganic, organic, or physical chemistry, or chemical physics. Numerous cross-disciplinary research opportunities involving, for example, biochemistry or the cyclotron laboratory, are also available.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Students holding bachelor's degrees, or master's degrees or the equivalent, may be admitted for study at the doctoral level on either a provisional or regular basis. Applicants are expected to have had in their undergraduate programs one year each of general, analytical, organic, and physical chemistry, one year of physics, and one year of calculus or their equivalents. Deficiencies in the undergraduate program must be removed. Admission to the doctoral program is dependent on having a 3.00 or better grade-point average and upon satisfactory performance on the qualification examinations given in the areas of analytical, inorganic, organic, and physical chemistry. The qualification examinations will be waived for students who score at the 75th percentile or higher on the Graduate Record Examination Subject Test in Chemistry.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Chemistry
Satisfactory performance on doctoral comprehensive examinations of the cumulative type is required. Details about these and the qualification examinations may be obtained from the department.

Satisfactory performance on two oral examinations, one to demonstrate research preparedness and the other as a defense of the dissertation, is required.

CHEMISTRY—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy
For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in chemistry—environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Doctoral Program in Environmental and Integrative Toxicological Sciences in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

DEPARTMENT of GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES

David W. Hyndman, Chairperson

The Earth is a dynamic system subject to both cyclic and directional changes over time. Energy from the Sun drives Earth's water and biogeochemical cycles which, in turn, control surface processes, including climate change and sedimentation. Energy from Earth's interior drives the tectonic cycle and its surface manifestations, including volcanic eruptions and earthquakes. Biological evolution adds directionality to the history of the Earth, and is not reducible to simple physical forces. The geological sciences study these changes and processes as they exist now, as they will develop in the future, and as they have evolved during the 4.5 billion–year history of the Earth.

The biological, chemical, and physical aspects of the Earth are all integrated into the geological sciences, which draw heavily on these other sciences, as well as mathematics and statistics. Geo-
logical studies provide knowledge about the availability of natural resources, including groundwater and fossil fuels; the reduction of damage from hazards including volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, and floods; and processes affecting biological evolution, such as those that produce major extinctions. From these diverse studies geologists gain knowledge about the controls on the physical and biological environment. That knowledge allows people to deal with issues ranging from groundwater pollution to climate change.

The undergraduate programs in environmental geosciences and geological sciences lead to the Bachelor of Science degree. The department offers a concentration in geophysics for both degrees and a program for earth science secondary education teacher certification.

**UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS**

**ENVIRONMENTAL GEO SCIENCES**

**Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Geosciences**

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Geosciences.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Environmental Geosciences major is met by completing Geological Sciences 401. That course is referenced in item 3. below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Geological Sciences: ........................................... 24 to 26

      (1) All of the following courses (8 credits):

         CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ................... 1
         MTH 132 Calculus I .................................. 3
         MTH 133 Calculus II .................................. 4

      (2) One of the following groups of courses (7 credits):

         (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry I .................. 4
         CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ....... 3
         CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry ...... 4
         CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry .................. 3

      (3) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

         MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus ..................... 4
         STT 200 Statistical Methods .......................... 3
         STT 201 Statistical Methods .......................... 4
         STT 231 Statistics for Scientists .................... 3
         STT 421 Statistics I .................................. 3

      (4) One of the following groups of courses (8 credits):

         (a) PHY 231 Introductory Physics I ................. 3
         PHY 232 Introductory Physics II ..................... 3
         PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I ....... 1
         PHY 252 Introductory Physics Laboratory II ...... 1

         (b) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I . 4
         PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II . 4

      (5) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

         GEO 203 Introduction to Meteorology ............... 3
         ZOL 303 Oceanography ................................ 4

      (6) One of the following courses (4 credits):

         GEO 324 Remote Sensing of the Environment ........ 4
         GEO 325 Geographic Information Systems ............ 3

      (7) One of the following courses (3 credits):

         GEO 435 Geography of Health and Disease .......... 3
         ZOL 355 Ecology ..................................... 4

   b. The following courses in the Department of Geological Sciences (31 credits):

      GLG 201 The Dynamic Earth ........................... 4
      GLG 304 Physical and Biological History of the Earth . 4
      GLG 321 Mineralogy and Geochemistry ............... 4
      GLG 401 Global Tectonics and Earth Structure (W) . 3
      GLG 411 Hydrogeology ................................ 3
      GLG 412 Glacial Geology and the Record of Climate Change .................. 4
      GLG 421 Environmental Geochemistry .................. 4
      GLG 431 Sedimentology and Stratigraphy (W) ........ 4

   The completion of GLG 401 satisfies the department's capstone course requirement.

   c. One course from each of the following areas (9 or 10 credits):

      Geophysical Systems

         CE 421 Engineering Hydrology ....................... 3
         GEO 409 Global Climate Change and Variability .... 3
         GLG 413 Groundwater Contamination ................. 3
         GLG 471 Applied Geophysics .......................... 4
      GLG 481 Reservoirs and Aquifers ...................... 3

      Geochemical Systems

         CE 481 Environmental Chemistry - Equilibrium Concepts 3
         CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I ........................ 3
         CSS 455 Pollutants in the Soil Environment ........ 3

      Geobiological Systems

         ENT 319 Introduction to Earth Systems Science .... 3
         FW 420 Stream Ecology ............................... 3
         MMG 425 Microbial Ecology .......................... 3
         MMG 426 Biogeochemistry ............................ 3

   d. Additional credits in Geological Science courses at the 300-400 level to total 40 credits. The credits that are used to satisfy this requirement may be used to satisfy either the requirements for the geological sciences major or the requirements for the environmental geosciences major, but not both of these requirements.

      Plant Biology 335 and Microbiology and Molecular Genetics 426 may be used to satisfy either the requirements for the major or the requirements referenced under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement, but not both of those requirements.

**Concentration in Geophysics**

A concentration in geophysics is also available. Students must complete all of the following courses. Courses that are used to satisfy the requirements for the concentration may also be used to satisfy the requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Geosciences. The concentration will be noted on the student's transcript.

**GEological SCIENCES**

**Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Geological Sciences**

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Geological Sciences.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Geological Sciences major is met by completing Geological Sciences 401. That course is referenced in item 3. below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Geological Sciences: ........................................... 26 or 27

      (1) All of the following courses (8 credits):

         CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ................... 1
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      (2) One of the following pairs of courses (7 credits):

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         PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I ....... 1
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**GRADUATE STUDY**

The Department of Geological Sciences offers programs in geological sciences leading to the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees. The department also offers programs in environmental geosciences leading to the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees.

The goal of the graduate programs in the Department of Geological Sciences is to develop creative and productive scientists who will address problems facing the modern environment and problems related to understanding Earth’s past and future.

The department’s graduate programs emphasize the study of the biological, chemical, and physical processes of the Earth and the application of knowledge about these processes to solve applied and basic problems. Environmental studies focus on fluids, minerals, and biologically mediated processes and their interactions in the environment. Studies of Earth’s past involve time periods ranging in days to billions of years. From this knowledge, predictions on Earth’s future may be made.

The three research focus areas in the department are the environment, geodynamics and tectonics, and education and cognition.

Areas of active research in the department include geochemistry, geocognition, geodynamics, geomicrobiology, geophysics, hydrology, hydrogeology, land use sustainability, mineral/water interactions, paleontology, petrology, stratigraphy, and tectonics.

**ENVIRONMENTAL GEOSCIENCES**

**Master of Science**

The Master of Science degree program in environmental geosciences is available under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis).

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

**Admission**

When applying for admission to the program, an applicant must specify either Plan A or Plan B.

Academic record, letters of recommendation, and Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores are considered in admission decisions.

**For regular admission to the master’s degree program in environmental geosciences under Plan A, the student must have:**

1. A bachelor’s degree in a physical or biological science or in engineering from a recognized educational institution.
2. Completed the courses in physics, chemistry, and mathematics that are required for the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in geological sciences at Michigan State University, or equivalent courses.
3. At least 12 credits in geological sciences courses.
4. A grade-point average of at least 3.00.
5. Satisfactory scores on the GRE General Test.

Provisional admission may be granted to an applicant who has not completed the course work referenced in items 2. and 3. above. Deficiencies must be removed by completing collateral courses.

**For regular admission to the master’s degree program in environmental geosciences under Plan B, the student must have:**

1. Completed a Master of Science degree in the geosciences for which a thesis was required.
2. A grade-point average of at least 3.00.
3. Satisfactory scores on the GRE General Test.

**Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Environmental Geosciences**

A total of 30 credits is required for the degree under either Plan A or Plan B. The student’s program of study must be approved by the student’s guidance committee. The student must meet the requirements specified below:

**Requirements for Both Plan A and Plan B**

1. Tier I requirements (10 to 12 credits):
The core of the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in environmental geosciences is independent research. Course requirements are designed to support the student's professional goals. Commonly, research programs are pursued within the specialty of the staff. However, innovative research is encouraged in any area of environmental geosciences.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Students holding bachelor's or master's degrees may be admitted to the doctoral program in environmental geosciences on the basis of their performance during the previous two years of academic work.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Environmental Geosciences
The program of study is determined by mutual agreement between the student and the guidance committee. The student must complete, or have completed prior to admission, 9 credits of course work in geological sciences including a course in physical geology and at least 3 credits in 800-level course work.

The required comprehensive examination involves both an oral and a written portion and covers the area of the student's research specially, those areas that interface with that specialty, and the significance of the proposed research program. Students who are admitted to the doctoral program with master's degrees must pass the comprehensive examination during the second year of enrollment in the program. Students who are admitted to the doctoral program with bachelor's degrees must pass the comprehensive examination during the third year of enrollment in the program.

ENVIRONMENTAL GEOSCIENCES—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy
For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in environmental geosciences–environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Doctoral Program in Environmental and Integrative Toxicological Sciences in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Master of Science
In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Academic record, letters of recommendation, and Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores are considered in admission decisions. For regular admission, the student must have:

1. A bachelor's degree in a physical or biological science or in mathematics from a recognized educational institution.
2. Completed the courses in physics, chemistry, mathematics, and geological sciences that are required for the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in geological sciences at Michigan State University, or equivalent courses.
3. A grade–point average of at least 3.00.
4. Satisfactory scores on the GRE General Test.

Depending on the proposed area of specialization, provisional admission may be granted to an applicant who has not completed the courses referenced in item 2. above. Deficiencies must be removed by completing collateral courses before a thesis proposal will be accepted.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Geological Sciences
The student must complete a total of 30 credits for the degree under Plan A (with thesis). Of the 30 credits, no more than 7 credits may be in Geological Sciences 899.

Doctor of Philosophy
The core of the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in geological sciences is independent research. Course requirements are designed to support the student's professional goals. Commonly, research programs are pursued within the specialty of the staff. However, innovative research is encouraged in any area of geological sciences.
In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Students holding bachelor’s or master’s degrees may be admitted to the doctoral program in geological sciences on the basis of their performance during the previous two years of academic work.

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The program of study is determined by mutual agreement between the student and the guidance committee.

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W. K. KELLOGG BIOLOGICAL STATION

Katherine L. Gross, Director

The W. K. Kellogg Biological Station is administered jointly by the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Natural Science. The Station developed from the environmental foresight and interest of W. K. Kellogg and has evolved into a world-renowned ecological research center and public education facility for biological, agricultural, and natural resource sciences.

Located 65 miles southwest of East Lansing near Battle Creek and Kalamazoo, the Biological Station’s 3,352 acres encompass the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary, Kellogg Farm and Dairy Center, Academic Center and Research Laboratories, and Lux Arbor Reserve. Within this multiple-land use facility, a unique community of scholars conducts research and leads educational programs to increase our understanding of natural and managed ecosystems and their linkage to society.

The teaching and research programs of the Biological Station are closely coordinated with those of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Natural Science. The programs focus on the study of natural and managed ecosystems and includes basic ecology, evolutionary biology, wildlife management, forestry, and agriculture.

The Biological Station's resident faculty hold joint appointments with appropriate departments and teach courses both at the Station and on the main campus. Field oriented courses and research experience in the biological sciences are offered at the Station during the summer session.

Research facilities are provided for students who are candidates for Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees and for postdoctoral research associates. Residence may be established upon approval of the research problem and the sponsorship of a resident faculty member.

Thesis or dissertation research is supervised by the candidate’s major professor, the guidance committee, and, if not otherwise included, a member of the resident faculty at the Biological Station. Investigations by independent researchers from MSU and other institutions are encouraged throughout the year.

Information concerning the instructional program and research opportunities may be obtained by writing the Director, W.K. Kellogg Biological Station, Hickory Corners, Michigan 49060–9516.

DEPARTMENT of MATHEMATICS

Yang Wang, Chairperson

Mathematics, the identification and classification of structure in the world around us, is vital to all branches of knowledge and all human endeavors. Mathematical structures have an intrinsic richness that inspires study both for the sake of their beauty and for how they inform us about our world. The department offers a wide variety of courses that range from extensions of high school mathematics to the very frontiers of mathematical knowledge.

The department packages its courses into a flexible array of programs that are adaptable to a host of career paths. Students of mathematics, regardless of major preference, are encouraged to contact the department before registration to discuss the possibilities of advanced placement, participation in our wide variety of Honors courses where highly motivated students find extra challenges, or pursuit of a degree in actuarial science.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

The Department of Mathematics offers degree opportunities leading to a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science, Mathematics, Advanced, a Bachelor of Science in Computational Mathematics, and a Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Science. The Bachelor of Arts degree programs require a higher level of foreign language competency, while the Bachelor of Science degree programs require science proficiency beyond that established by the college.

Graduates with the Bachelor of Art and Bachelor of Science degrees find a wide range of career options in industry and teaching fields. The Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science programs prepare students for continuing study in top graduate schools or for the pursuit of careers in mathematically intensive fields. The Bachelor of Science in Computational Mathematics prepares students for either graduate study or for careers that rely upon computational models and tools.

Students with a Bachelor of Science degree in Actuarial Science are sought after by insurance companies, banks, investment firms, government agencies, and businesses that weigh the financial consequences of risk. Course work prepares students for the Society of Actuaries examinations as well as the Validation by Educational Experience course work necessary to become an Associate of the Society of Actuaries.

A Minor in Mathematics and a Specialization in Actuarial Science are also available.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Actuarial Science
1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Actuarial Science.

The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Actuarial Science major is met by completing Mathematics 309 or 496. Those courses are referenced in Item 3. below.
Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1, under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3 below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

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3. The following requirements for the major:

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Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Computational Mathematics

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Computational Mathematics.

The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Computational Mathematics major is met by completing Mathematics 309 or 310 and 496. Those courses are referenced in item 3c. (1) below.

Students who are in the teacher certification program are required to complete the following course(s) in the Department of Teacher Education.

The completion of Mathematics 496 satisfies the capstone course requirement of the computational mathematics major.

3. The following requirements for the major:

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### Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Computational Mathematics

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog: 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Computational Mathematics.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Computational Mathematics major is met by completing Mathematics 309 or 310 and 496. Those courses are referenced in items 3c.(1) below.

   Students who are in the teacher certification program are required to complete Mathematics 330 or 432 and Statistics and Probability 430.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Arts degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Mathematics:

      (1) One course of at least 3 credits in biological science, entomology, microbiology, physiology, plant biology, or zoology.

      (2) One of the following courses (4 credits):

         - LB 273 Physics I .................................. 4
         - PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I .... 4

      (3) One of the following courses (4 credits):

         - CEM 141 General Chemistry .................. 4
         - CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry .... 4
         - CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I ................. 4
         - LB 171 Principles of Chemistry .............. 4

   b. Second-year competency in a foreign language.

   or

   For students, who have been admitted to the teacher certification program, first-year competency in a foreign language and completion of the Professional Education Courses in the Department of Teacher Education.

   c. A total of 33 to 40 credits in courses in the Department of Mathematics including:

      (1) One course from each of the following two groups (6 to 8 credits):

         - (a) MTH 132 Calculus I ...................... 3
         - MTH 152H Honors Calculus .................. 3
         - LB 118 Calculus I .......................... 3
         - (b) MTH 133 Calculus II ..................... 4
         - MTH 153H Honors Calculus II ............. 4
         - LB 119 Calculus II .......................... 4

      (2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

         - MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus .......... 3
         - MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus ... 4
         - LB 220 Calculus III .......................... 4

      (3) One of the following two groups (3 or 4 credits):

         - (a) MTH 299 Transitions ..................... 4
         - MTH 309 Linear Algebra I ................. 3
         - MTH 317H Advanced Linear Algebra ....... 3

      (4) One course from each of the following groups (6 credits):

         - (a) MTH 310 Abstract Algebra I and Number Theory .... 3
         - MTH 418H Honors Algebra I .............. 3
         - (b) MTH 320 Analysis I ....................... 3
         - LB 327H Honors Introduction to Analysis .... 3

      (5) All of the following courses (9 credits):

         - MTH 451 Numerical Analysis I ............. 3
         - MTH 481 Discrete Mathematics I .......... 3
         - MTH 496 Capstone in Mathematics .......... 3

      (6) One of the following courses (3 credits):

         - MTH 452 Numerical Analysis I ............. 3

      (7) One of the following courses (3 credits):

         - MTH 255 Differential Equations .......... 3
         - MTH 340 Ordinary Differential Equations .... 3
         - MTH 347H Advanced Ordinary Differential Equations ... 3

   d. At least one of the following courses:

      - Mathematics 452 or 462 may count toward either requirement 3c.(6) or 3d. but not toward both of those requirements.

   Approval of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering is required to enroll in Computer Science and Engineering 331 and 440.

   CSE 331 Algorithms and Data Structures ............. 3
   CSE 440 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence ...... 3
   MTH 360 Theory of Mathematical Interest ........... 3

### Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog: 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics.

   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Mathematics major is met by completing Mathematics 396 and 496 and Mathematics 309 or 310 or 418H. Those courses are referenced in item 3c.(1) below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Mathematics:

      (1) One course of at least 3 credits in biological science, entomology, microbiology, physiology, plant biology, or zoology.

      At least 2 credits in laboratory in biological science, chemistry, entomology, microbiology, physics, physiology, plant biology, or zoology.

      (2) One course from each of the following groups (8 or 10 credits):

         - (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry ............. 4
         - CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry .... 4
         - CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I .............. 4
         - LB 171 Principles of Chemistry ............ 4

         - (b) CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry .... 4
         - CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry .......... 3
         - CEM 182H Honors Chemistry II .......... 4
         - LB 172 Principles of Chemistry .......... 4

         - (c) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ....... 1
         - CEM 185H Honors Chemistry Laboratory I .... 2
         - LB 171L Introductory Chemistry Laboratory I .... 2

      (3) One course from each of the following groups (8 credits):

         - (a) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I .... 4
         - PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II .... 4
         - LB 274 Physics II .................. 4

   b. First-year competency in a foreign language.

   or

   For students, who have been admitted to the teacher certification program, completion of the Professional Education Courses in the Department of Teacher Education.

   c. A total of 38 to 43 credits in courses in the Department of Mathematics including:

      (1) One course from each of the following two groups (6 to 8 credits):

         - (a) MTH 132 Calculus I ...................... 3
         - MTH 152H Honors Calculus .................. 3
         - LB 118 Calculus I .......................... 3
         - (b) MTH 133 Calculus II ..................... 4
         - MTH 153H Honors Calculus II ............. 4
         - LB 119 Calculus II .......................... 4

      (2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

         - MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus .......... 3
         - MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus ... 4
         - LB 220 Calculus III .......................... 4

      (3) One of the following two groups (3 or 7 credits):

         - (a) MTH 329 Transitions ..................... 3
         - MTH 309 Linear Algebra I ................. 3
         - MTH 317H Advanced Linear Algebra ....... 3

      (4) The following course (3 credits):

         - MTH 496 Capstone in Mathematics ........ 3

   The completion of Mathematics 496 fulfills the department's capstone course requirement. Students in the teacher certification program may substitute Mathematics 396 Capstone in Mathematics for Secondary Education for Mathematics 496.

   (5) A total of 27 credits in approved Mathematics courses at the 300-level or above. At least four of the approved Mathematics courses must be at the 400-level or above. Mathematics 415, 424, and 443 may not be used to fulfill the requirements of the major. Students may use no more than one of Mathematics 309, 314, 317H to satisfy this requirement. One
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Department of Mathematics

NATURAL SCIENCE

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics. The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Mathematics major is met by completing Mathematics 396 or 496 and Mathematics 309 or 310 or 418H. Those courses are referenced in items 3. c. (1) and 3. c. (3) below.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Arts degree. The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. The following courses outside the Department of Mathematics. CREDITS

(1) One course of at least 3 credits in biological science, entomology, microbiology, physiology, plant biology, or zoology. At least 2 credits in laboratory in biological science, chemistry, entomology, microbiology, physics, physiology, plant biology, or zoology.

(2) One of the following courses (4 credits):

LB 273 Physics I ......................... 4
PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I ................... 4

(3) One of the following courses (4 credits):

CEM 141 General Chemistry ............. 4
CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry ......... 4
CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I .......... 4
LB 171 Principles of Chemistry I ............ 4

b. Second-year competency in a foreign language or

For students who have been admitted to the teacher certification program, first-year competency in a foreign language and completion of the Professional Education Courses in the Department of Teacher Education.

c. A total of 36 to 43 credits in courses in the Department of Mathematics including:

(1) One course from each of the following two groups (6 to 8 credits):

(a) MTH 132 Calculus I .................... 3
MTH 152H Honors Calculus ................. 3
LB 119 Calculus I .......................... 4
(b) MTH 133 Calculus II ................... 4
MTH 153H Honors Calculus II ............. 4
LB 119 Calculus II .......................... 4

(2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus .............. 4
MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus .... 4
LB 220 Calculus III ....................... 4

(3) One of the following two groups (3 or 7 credits):

(a) MTH 298 Transitions ................. 4
MTH 309 Linear Algebra I ................. 3
(b) MTH 317H Advanced Linear Algebra .......... 3

(4) The following course (3 credits):

MTH 496 Capstone in Mathematics ........... 3

The completion of Mathematics 496 fulfills the department’s capstone course requirement. Students in the teacher certification program may substitute Mathematics 396 Capstone in Mathematics for Secondary Education for Mathematics 496.

(5) A total of 27 credits in approved Mathematics courses at the 300- or 400-level or above. At least 4 of the approved Mathematics courses must be at the 400-level or above. Mathematics 415, 424, and 443 may not be used to fulfill the requirements of the major. Students may use no more than one of MTH 309, 314, 317H to satisfy this requirement. One course from a list of approved cognates available in the Department of Mathematics may be used to satisfy this requirement. Statistics and Probability 430 is required for students in the teacher certification program. Either Statistics and Probability 430 or 441 may be substituted for one 300-level mathematics course. The 300-400 level courses referenced in item 3. c. partially satisfy this requirement.

(6) Two of the following courses (6 credits):

MTH 310 Abstract Algebra I and Number Theory ..... 3
MTH 411 Abstract Algebra II ................... 3
MTH 418H Honors Algebra I ................... 3
MTH 419H Honors Algebra II ................. 3

Students may not satisfy this requirement with the combination of MTH 411 and MTH 418H.

(7) One course from each of the following groups of courses (6 credits):

(a) MTH 320 Analysis I ..................... 3
MTH 327H Honors Introduction to Analysis .... 3
(b) MTH 421 Analysis II .................... 3
MTH 429H Honors Analysis II ............... 3

(8) One of the following courses (3 credits):

MTH 330 Higher Geometry ....................... 3
MTH 340 Ordinary Differential Equations I ........... 3
MTH 347H Advanced Ordinary Differential Equations ........... 3
MTH 432 Axiomatic Geometry .................. 3

Students in the teacher certification program must take either Mathematics 330 or 432. Students not in the teacher certification program must take Mathematics 340 or 347H. Students not in the teacher certification program with prior credit in Mathematics 235 or 255H may substitute an approved 400-level Mathematics course for Mathematics 340.

Graduation Requirements

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics, Advanced. The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Mathematics major is met by completing Mathematics 418H and 496. Those courses are referenced in item 3. b. below.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Arts degree. The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. The following courses outside the Department of Mathematics. CREDITS

(1) One course of at least 3 credits in biological science, entomology, microbiology, physiology, plant biology, or zoology. At least 2 credits in laboratory in biological science, chemistry, entomology, microbiology, physics, physiology, plant biology, or zoology.

(2) One of the following courses (4 credits):

LB 273 Physics I ......................... 4
PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I ................... 4

(3) One of the following courses (4 credits):

CEM 141 General Chemistry ............. 4
CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry ......... 4
CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I .......... 4
LB 171 Principles of Chemistry I ............ 4

b. Second-year competency in a foreign language or

For students who have been admitted to the teacher certification program, first-year competency in a foreign language and completion of the Professional Education Courses in the Department of Teacher Education.

c. A total of 36 to 43 credits in courses in the Department of Mathematics including:

(1) One course from each of the following two groups (6 to 8 credits):

(a) MTH 132 Calculus I .................... 3
MTH 152H Honors Calculus ................. 3
LB 119 Calculus I .......................... 4
(b) MTH 133 Calculus II ................... 4
MTH 153H Honors Calculus II ............. 4
LB 119 Calculus II .......................... 4

(2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus .............. 4
MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus .... 4
LB 220 Calculus III ....................... 4

(3) One of the following two groups (3 or 7 credits):

(a) MTH 298 Transitions ................. 4
MTH 309 Linear Algebra I ................. 3
(b) MTH 317H Advanced Linear Algebra .......... 3

(4) The following course (3 credits):

MTH 496 Capstone in Mathematics ........... 3

The completion of Mathematics 496 fulfills the department’s capstone course requirement. Students in the teacher certification program may substitute Mathematics 396 Capstone in Mathematics for Secondary Education for Mathematics 496.

(5) A total of 27 credits in approved Mathematics courses at the 300- or 400-level or above. At least 4 of the approved Mathematics courses must be at the 400-level or above. Mathematics 415, 424, and 443 may not be used to fulfill the requirements of the major. Students may use no more than one of MTH 309, 314, 317H to satisfy this requirement. One course from a list of approved cognates available in the Department of Mathematics may be used to satisfy this requirement. Statistics and Probability 430 is required for students in the teacher certification program. Either Statistics and Probability 430 or 441 may be substituted for one 300-level mathematics course. The 300-400 level courses referenced in item 3. c. partially satisfy this requirement.

(6) Two of the following courses (6 credits):

MTH 310 Abstract Algebra I and Number Theory ..... 3
MTH 411 Abstract Algebra II ................... 3
MTH 418H Honors Algebra I ................... 3
MTH 419H Honors Algebra II ................. 3

Students may not satisfy this requirement with the combination of MTH 411 and MTH 418H.

(7) One course from each of the following groups of courses (6 credits):

(a) MTH 320 Analysis I ..................... 3
MTH 327H Honors Introduction to Analysis .... 3
(b) MTH 421 Analysis II .................... 3
MTH 429H Honors Analysis II ............... 3

(8) One of the following courses (3 credits):

MTH 330 Higher Geometry ....................... 3
MTH 340 Ordinary Differential Equations I ........... 3
MTH 347H Advanced Ordinary Differential Equations ........... 3
MTH 432 Axiomatic Geometry .................. 3

Students in the teacher certification program must take either Mathematics 330 or 432. Students not in the teacher certification program must take Mathematics 340 or 347H. Students not in the teacher certification program with prior credit in Mathematics 235 or 255H may substitute an approved 400-level Mathematics course for Mathematics 340.
### Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics, Advanced

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics, Advanced.

   The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Mathematics, Advanced major is met by completing Mathematics 418H and 496. Those courses are referenced in item 3 below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1 under the Major Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3 below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3 below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   - **a.** The following courses outside the Department of Mathematics (17 to 21 credits):
     - (1) One course of at least 3 credits in biological science, entomology, microbiology, physiology, plant biology, or zoology.
     - (2) One of the following groups of courses (8 or 10 credits):
       - (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry
       - CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I
       - CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry
       - CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry
       - CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I
       - CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I
       - CEM 182H Honors Chemistry II
       - CEM 185H Honors Chemistry Laboratory I
       - (b) LB 171 Principles of Chemistry I
       - LB 172 Principles of Chemistry II
       - LB 171L Introductory Chemistry Laboratory I
     - (3) One of the following groups of courses (13 or 14 credits):
       - (a) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I
       - PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II
       - PHY 193H Honors Physics I–Mechanics
       - PHY 294H Honors Physics II–Electromagnetism
       - PHY 292 Physics I
       - PHY 291 Physics II
       - (b) MTH 152H Honors Calculus I
       - MTH 153H Honors Calculus II

   - **b.** First-year competency in a foreign language or
   - For students who have been admitted to the teacher certification program, completion of the Professional Education Courses in the Department of Teacher Education.

   - **c.** A total of 34 to 37 credits in courses in the Department of Mathematics including:
     - (1) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
       - MTH 132 Calculus I
       - MTH 152H Honors Calculus I
       - LB 118 Calculus I
     - (2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
       - MTH 133 Calculus II
       - MTH 153H Honors Calculus II
       - LB 119 Calculus II
       - MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus

### MINOR IN MATHEMATICS

The Minor in Mathematics, which is administered by the Department of Mathematics, will broaden students’ understanding and application of mathematical concepts to their chosen field of study.

The minor is available as an elective to students who are enrolled in bachelor’s degree programs at Michigan State University other than the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics. With the approval of the department and college that administer the student’s degree program, the courses that are used to satisfy the minor may also be used to satisfy the requirements for the bachelor’s degree. At least 12 unique credits counted towards the requirements for a student’s minor must not be used to fulfill the requirements for that student’s major.

Students who plan to complete the requirements of the minor should consult the undergraduate advisor in the Department of Mathematics.

### Requirements for the Minor in Mathematics

**Credits**

Complete the following (21 to 28 credits):

1. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
   - LB 118 Calculus I
   - LB 132 Calculus I
   - MTH 152H Honors Calculus I

2. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
   - LB 119 Calculus II
   - LB 133 Calculus II
   - MTH 153H Honors Calculus II

3. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
   - LB 220 Calculus III
   - MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus
   - MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus

4. One of the following groups of courses (3 to 7 credits):
   - (a) MTH 299 Transitions
   - MTH 301 Linear Algebra I
   - MTH 317H Advanced Linear Algebra

5. All of the following courses (9 credits):
   - LB 220 Calculus III
   - MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus
   - MTH 301 Linear Algebra I

6. One 400-level mathematics course approved by the student’s advisor.

### SPECIALIZATION IN ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

The Specialization in Actuarial Science, which is administered by the Department of Mathematics within the College of Natural Science, is available as an elective to students who are enrolled in any bachelor’s degree program at Michigan State University. This specialization complements a number of major fields such as mathematics, statistics and probability, finance, and economics.
It is intended to prepare students for work in insurance companies, banks, investment firms, government work, hospitals and business firms where there is a need to weigh the financial consequences of risk. The Specialization in Actuarial Science prepares students for two of the examinations of the Society of Actuaries (SOA): Exam P/1 and Exam FM/2. With the approval of the department that administers the student’s degree program, courses that are used to satisfy the requirements for the specialization may also be used to satisfy the requirements for the bachelor’s degree.

Requirements for the Specialization in Actuarial Science
The student must complete all of the following courses (21 credits):

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TEACHER CERTIFICATION OPTIONS
The mathematics disciplinary majors leading to the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees are available for teacher certification. The mathematics, advanced major leading to the Bachelor of Science degree is also available for secondary teacher certification.

A mathematics-elementary and mathematics-secondary disciplinary minor are also available for teacher certification.

Students who elect a mathematics or mathematics, advanced disciplinary major or the mathematics-elementary or mathematics-secondary disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Mathematics.

For additional information, refer to the statement on TEACHER CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.

GRADUATE STUDY
The Department of Mathematics is ranked as a tier-one program by the National Research Council and conducts world-class research in a broad spectrum of mathematical endeavors. We offer graduate work leading to the degrees of Master of Science in Mathematics, in Applied Mathematics, and a Master of Arts for Teachers. Our master’s program in Industrial Mathematics has an exemplary record of preparing students for careers in industry. At the highest level, the department offers graduate studies leading to the degrees of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics and Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Mathematics, which lead to research careers in universities, national laboratories, and industry.

APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Master of Science
In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
To be admitted to the Master of Science degree program in applied mathematics, a person should have completed (1) the mathematics or applied mathematics courses normally required for the bachelor’s degree with a major in mathematics, physics, or engineering, (2) a minimum of a year’s work in mathematical analysis at the senior year level, and (3) courses in matrices and linear algebra.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Applied Mathematics
The student must complete a total of 30 credits for the degree under Plan B (without thesis). The student’s program of study must be approved by the student’s academic advisor and must include:

1. At least 24 credits in mathematics courses including:
   a. At least 6 credits from the following courses: Mathematics 818, 819, 828, 829, 848, 849, 868, 869.
   b. At least 12 credits in 800–900 level applied mathematics courses including 6 credits in one of the following groups of courses: Mathematics 841, 842, 848, 849, 850, 851; or 880, 881.

The completion of Mathematics 848 and 849 may be used to satisfy either the requirement referenced in item 1 a. or the requirement referenced in item 1 b., but not both of those requirements.

2. At least 18 credits in 800–900 level courses.

Doctor of Philosophy
In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Regular admission to the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in applied mathematics presupposes academic preparation equivalent to a Master of Science degree with a major in mathematics with a grade–point average of 3.00 or better. However, a student with a bachelor’s degree whose undergraduate preparation is strong may be admitted directly to the program upon passing a qualifying examination.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Applied Mathematics
The student must:

1. Pass the qualifying examination.
2. Complete at least 30 credits in approved 800–900 level mathematics courses excluding courses taken in preparation for the qualifying examination and Mathematics 999: at least 18 of the 30 credits must be in applied mathematics courses.
3. Present at least two seminars acceptable to the faculty.
4. Pass the comprehensive examination.
5. Demonstrate a reading knowledge of one foreign language, normally from among French, German, and Russian, sufficient to read the mathematical literature written in that language.

For detailed information regarding the qualifying and comprehensive examinations, contact the Department of Mathematics.
INDUSTRIAL MATHEMATICS

Master of Science

The degree of Master of Science in Industrial Mathematics is designed to produce generalized problem solvers of great versatility, capable of moving within an organization from task to task. The graduate will have acquired not only the standard mathematical and statistical tools, but also the basic ideas of engineering and business, and will have received training in project development and in modes of industrial communication. The program is for students planning careers in business, government or industry.

Admission

To be admitted to the Master of Science in Industrial Mathematics program, a person should have completed (1) the mathematics or applied mathematics courses normally required for the bachelor’s degree with a major in mathematics, statistics, economics, physics or engineering, (2) courses at the senior level in mathematical analysis, linear algebra and differential equations, and (3) have some familiarity with mathematical software programs such as Mathematica, Matlab, etc.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Industrial Mathematics

In addition to meeting the requirements of the University and the College of Natural Science, the student must complete a total of 36 credits for the degree under Plan B (without thesis). The student’s program of study must be approved by the student’s academic advisor, including:

1. The following requirements for the major: 36
   a. Both of the following courses:
      MTH 843 Survey of Industrial Mathematics 3
      MTH 844 Projects in Industrial Mathematics 3
   b. A minimum of four of the following courses:
      MTH 810 Error-Correcting Codes 3
      MTH 840 Chaos and Dynamical Systems 3
      MTH 841 Boundary Value Problems I 3
      MTH 842 Boundary Value Problems II 3
      MTH 848 Ordinary Differential Equations 3
      MTH 849 Partial Differential Equations 3
      MTH 850 Numerical Analysis I 3
      MTH 851 Numerical Analysis II 3
      MTH 852 Numerical Methods for Ordinary Differential Equations 3
      MTH 880 Combinatorics 3
      MTH 881 Graph Theory 3
   c. A minimum of two of the following courses:
      STT 461 Computations in Probability and Statistics 3
      STT 801 Design of Experiments 3
      STT 843 Multivariate Analysis 3
      STT 844 Time Series Analysis 3
      STT 847 Analysis of Survival Data 3
      STT 861 Theory of Probability and Statistics I 3
      STT 862 Theory of Probability and Statistics II 3
      STT 863 Statistics Methods I 3
      STT 864 Statistics Methods II 3
      STT 865 Modern Statistical Methods 3
      STT 866 Spatial Data Analysis 3
      STT 886 Stochastic Processes and Applications 3
      STT 888 Stochastic Models in Finance 3
   d. At least four of the following courses:
      CE 801 Nonlinear Structural Mechanics 3
      CE 825 Mixing and Transport in Surface Waters 3
      CE 863 Applied Numerical Methods for Civil and Environmental Engineers 1
      CSE 802 Pattern Recognition and Analysis 3
      CSE 803 Computer Vision 3
      CSE 830 Design and Theory of Algorithms 3
      CSE 835 Algorithmic Graph Theory 3
      CSE 872 Advanced Computer Graphics 3
      CSE 881 Data Mining 3
      CSE 885 Artificial Neural Networks 3
      EC 811A Mathematical Applications in Economics 2
      EC 811B The Structure of Economic Analysis 2
      EC 812A Microeconomics I 3
      EC 812B Microeconomics II 3
      EC 821A Macroeconomics I 3
      EC 821B Macroeconomics II 3
      EC 816 Economic Thought II 3
      EC 820A Econometrics IA 3
      EC 820B Econometrics IB 3
      EC 822A Time Series Econometrics I 3
      EC 822B Time Series Econometrics II 3
      EC 829 The Economics of Environmental Resources 3
      ECE 466 Digital Signal Processing and Filter Design 3
      ECE 837 Computational Methods in Electromagnetics 3
      ECE 848 Evolutionary Computation 3
      ECE 849 Digital Image Processing 3
      ECE 863 Analysis of Stochastic Systems 3
      ECE 867 Information Theory and Coding 3
      ECE 885 Artificial Neural Networks 3
      ENE 801 Dynamics of Environmental Systems 3
      ENE 804 Biological Processes in Environmental Engineering 3
      ENE 822 Groundwater Modeling 3
      ENE 823 Stochastic Groundwater Modeling 3
      ME 820 Continuum Mechanics 3
      ME 821 Linear Elasticity 3
      ME 830 Fluid Mechanics I 3
      ME 840 Computational Fluid Dynamics and Heat Transfer 3
      ME 851 Linear Systems and Control 3
      ME 860 Theory of Vibrations 3
      ME 872 Finite Element Method 3
      MKT 805 Marketing Analysis 3
      MKT 806 Marketing Analysis 3
      MKT 809 Pricing, Profitability and Marketing Metrics 3
      MKT 819 Advanced Marketing Research 3
      MKT 865 Emerging Topics in Business 3
      SCM 800 Supply Chain Management 3
      SCM 826 Manufacturing Design and Analysis 1
      SCM 827 Competitor Through Supply Chain Logistics 2
      SCM 833 Decision Support Models 2
      SCM 843 Sustainable Supply Chain Management 2
      SCM 853 Operations Strategy 2
      SCM 854 Integrated Logistics Systems 2
   e. Completion of a Certificate in Program Management. This requires completion of PHM 557 Project Management, covering such topics as formal project management culture, principles, knowledge areas, and terminology. It will normally be undertaken during the first year of enrollment with the opportunity to use the credit/no credit grading system. Certification will also require participation in Industrial Mathematics-specific discussion sessions. After the completion of the certificate program is approved by the instructors, the Industrial Mathematics Program, and the Associate Dean of the College of Natural Science, the Office of the Registrar will enter on the student’s academic record the name of the certificate program and the date it was completed. This certification will appear on the student’s transcript upon completion of the requirements for the degree program.

MATHEMATICS

Master of Arts for Teachers

In addition to meeting the requirements of the University and the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

To be admitted to the Master of Arts for Teachers degree program in mathematics, a person should have (1) at least one year of calculus and (2) at least 10 credits of acceptable junior and senior mathematics courses. Normally these 10 credits should include courses in advanced calculus and modern algebra. The candidate should also possess, or be a candidate for, teacher certification.

Requirements for the Master of Arts for Teachers Degree in Mathematics

The student must complete a total of 30 credits for the degree under Plan B (without thesis). The student’s program of study must be approved by the student’s academic advisor and must include:

1. At least 9 credits from the following courses: Mathematics 801, 802A, 802B, and 903.
2. At least 15 additional credits in mathematics or statistics courses including one course sequence, such as algebra or
discrete mathematics, from a list of approved courses that is available in the Department of Mathematics.

3. Course work in each of the following five areas of mathematics: geometry, algebra, analysis, discrete mathematics, and probability and statistics. Courses completed while enrolled in a bachelor's degree program may be used to satisfy this requirement.

**Master of Science**

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

**Admission**

To be admitted to the Master of Science degree program in mathematics, a person should have (1) at least one year of calculus and (2) at least 10 credits of acceptable junior and senior mathematics courses. Normally these 10 credits should include courses in advanced calculus and modern algebra.

**Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Mathematics**

The student must complete a total of 30 credits for the degree under Plan B (without thesis). The student's program of study must be approved by the student's academic advisor and must include:

1. At least 24 credits in mathematics courses including at least 6 credits from the following courses: Mathematics 818, 819, 828, 829, 848, 849, 868, 869.
2. At least 18 credits in 800–900 level courses.

**Doctor of Philosophy**

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

**Admission**

Regular admission to the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in mathematics presupposes academic preparation equivalent to a Master of Science degree with a major in mathematics with a grade–point average of 3.00 or better. However, a student with a bachelor's degree whose undergraduate preparation is strong may be admitted directly to the program upon passing a qualifying examination.

**Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Mathematics**

The student must:

1. Pass the qualifying examination.
2. Complete at least 30 credits in approved 800–900 level mathematics courses excluding courses taken in preparation for the qualifying examination and Mathematics 999.
3. Present at least two seminars acceptable to the faculty.
4. Pass the comprehensive examination.
5. Demonstrate a reading knowledge of one foreign language, normally from among French, German, and Russian, sufficient to read the mathematical literature written in that language.

For detailed information regarding the qualifying and comprehensive examinations, contact the Department of Mathematics.

**DEPARTMENT of MICROBIOLOGY and MOLECULAR GENETICS**

**Robert P. Hausinger, Acting Chairperson**

The Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics is administered jointly by the colleges of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine.

Microbiology involves the study of microscopic organisms: bacteria, viruses, algae, fungi, and protozoa, as well as research on the interaction of pathogenic and beneficial microbes with their hosts.

Molecular genetics and genomics includes study of the basis of heredity and the mechanisms by which genes exert their effects as well as genetic engineering and gene manipulation. Much of this study originates in microbial systems or employs microbiology-based technologies, but these approaches can be applied to larger organisms as well.

Every area of modern biology incorporates aspects of microbiology. Microbes are not only key players in disease, industrial processes, and the environment, but some of them are also among the most intensively studied model systems in all of biological science.

The microbiologist today may specialize in one or more of the diverse aspects of the science. At the undergraduate level, students may pursue their interests by completing a course of study leading to a bachelor's degree in microbiology, genomics and molecular genetics, or environmental biology/microbiology.

Employment opportunities for microbiologists and molecular geneticists exist at all levels of education. Careers are available as teachers and researchers in universities and institutes, and as scientists in a variety of governmental, medical, and industrial laboratories.

Because the programs in microbiology or molecular genetics offer a broad overview of biology, they are excellent choices for students who are interested in fundamental and applied biological science and also for students who plan to apply for admission to graduate professional programs, such as human or veterinary medicine.

Students who are enrolled in bachelor's degree programs in the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics may elect the Specialization in Food Processing and Technology. For additional information, refer to the Specialization in Food Processing and Technology statement in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition statement in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources section of this catalog.

The Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics also participates in the joint bachelor's degree/master's degree of the College of Natural Science. For additional information, refer to the College of Natural Science Dual Degree Program: Bachelor of Science and Master of Science section of this catalog.

**UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS**

**ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY/MICROBIOLOGY**

Environmental microbiology is a large and diverse field that addresses concerns such as soil fertility, water purity and quality, and safety of the food supply. Although environmental biology is concerned with all members of the biosphere and the geochemical surroundings, microorganisms are at the heart of the biological activities in the environment. Many of the environmental
problems facing society are microbiological ones, or ones for which microbiological solutions may be found.

The Bachelor of Science degree program with a major in environmental biology/microbiology is designed for students who plan to pursue careers involving microbiology and the environment or who plan to pursue graduate study in microbiology and related environmental areas.

The educational objectives of the program are to:
1. Help students to acquire knowledge of microbiology and related environmental areas.
2. Prepare students to solve problems in environmental microbiology.

On completion of the program, the graduate may apply for certification with the National Registry of Microbiologists of the American Society for Microbiology.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Biology/Microbiology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Biology/Microbiology.

The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Environmental Biology/Microbiology major is met by completing Microbiology 408. That course is referenced in item 3.b.(1) below.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. The following courses outside the Department of Microbiology 62 or 64
(1) One of the following, either a. or b. (4 or 6 credits):
   (a) BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I 3
   (b) BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II 3
(2) All of the following courses (57 credits):
   BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology 3
   BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology 3
   BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory 2
   BS 172 Organismal and Population Biology Laboratory 2
   CE 280 Principles of Environmental Engineering and Science 3
   CEM 141 General Chemistry 4
   CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry 3
   CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I 1
   CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II 1
   CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I 3
   CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II 3
   CEM 255 Organic Chemistry Laboratory 2
   CSS 210 Fundamentals of Soil Science 3
   GLG 201 The Dynamic Earth 4
   GLG 421 Environmental Geochemistry 4
   MTH 132 Calculus I 3
   PHY 231 Introductory Physics I 3
   PHY 232 Introductory Physics II 3
   PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I 1
   PHY 252 Introductory Physics Laboratory II 1
   STT 231 Statistics for Scientists 3
   ZOL 356 Ecology 3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) 1

b. The following courses in the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics 19
(1) All of the following courses (16 credits):
   MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology 3
   MMG 302 Introductory Laboratory for General and Allied Health Microbiology 1
   MMG 408 Advanced Microbiology Laboratory (W) 3
   MMG 421 Prokaryotic Cell Physiology 3
   MMG 425 Microbial Ecology 3
   MMG 431 Microbial Genetics 3
(2) One of the following two options (3 credits):
   (a) MMG 491 Current Topics in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics 3
   (b) MMG 492 Undergraduate Research Seminar 1

   One of the following courses:
   MMG 499 Undergraduate Research 2
   MMG 499H Honors Research 2

The completion of either of these two options fulfills the department's capstone course requirement.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. The following courses outside the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics 47 to 57
(1) One of the following, either a. or b. (4 or 6 credits):
   (a) BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I 3
   (b) BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II 3
   (b) BMB 401 Comprehensive Biochemistry 4
(2) One of the following groups of courses (8 or 9 credits):
   (a) BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology 3
   BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology 3
   LB 144B Biology I: Organismal Biology 4
   LB 145 Biology II: Cell and Molecular Biology 5
   (b) BS 181H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology 3
   BS 182H Honors Organismal and Population Biology 3
(3) One of the following courses (2 credits):
   BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory 2
   BS 172 Organismal and Population Biology Laboratory 2

GENOMICS AND MOLECULAR GENETICS

The objective of the Bachelor of Science degree program with a major in genomics and molecular genetics is to provide a broad foundation in science, with emphasis in genomics and molecular genetics. Although the majority of the course work is prescribed, students have an opportunity to tailor their degree program to their own interests within the field by choosing a suitable course combination from a slate of options. On completion of the program, graduates may apply for certification with the National Registry of Microbiologists of the American Society for Microbiology.

In addition to the general degree requirements of the College of Natural Science, the undergraduate program in genomics and molecular genetics encompasses fundamental training in chemistry, mathematics, physics, and biology. This foundation provides the prerequisites for undertaking the basic courses in genomics and molecular genetics. In order to increase the flexibility of the program, and to provide additional intellectual stimulation, students are encouraged to participate in mentored independent research for at least two, and ideally three or more, semesters. Independent research is available to both Honors College and other students, and often culminates with a report written in manuscript style by the student. This research may fulfill part of the department's capstone course requirement for the bachelor’s degree with a major in genomics and molecular genetics.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Genomics and Molecular Genetics

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Genomics and Molecular Genetics. The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Genomics and Molecular Genetics major is met by completing Microbiology 434. That course is referenced in item 3.b.(1) below.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. The following courses outside the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics 47 to 57
(1) One of the following, either a. or b. (4 or 6 credits):
   (a) BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I 3
   (b) BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II 3
   (b) BMB 401 Comprehensive Biochemistry 4
(2) One of the following groups of courses (8 or 9 credits):
   (a) BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology 3
   BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology 3
   LB 144B Biology I: Organismal Biology 4
   LB 145 Biology II: Cell and Molecular Biology 5
   (b) BS 181H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology 3
   BS 182H Honors Organismal and Population Biology 3
(3) One of the following courses (2 credits):
   BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory 2
   BS 172 Organismal and Population Biology Laboratory 2
**MICROBIOLOGY**

The objective of the Bachelor of Science degree program in microbiology is to provide a broad foundation in science, with emphasis in microbiology. In order to assist students in planning a course of study, elective microbiology courses are organized by interest group (cell and molecular biology, immunology and medical microbiology, microbe biology, and microbial biotechnology) and students are advised in personal consultations to select a set of electives according to their interests. Thus, different emphases may be chosen by students intending to acquire technical competence in the field, to pursue graduate education in microbiology or another biological science, or to attain competence in a basic medical science preparatory to or in conjunction with professional study in human or veterinary medicine. On completion of the program, graduates may apply for certification with the National Registry of Microbiologists of the American Society for Microbiology.

In addition to the general degree requirements of the College of Natural Science, the undergraduate program in microbiology encompasses fundamental training in chemistry, mathematics, physics, and biology. This foundation provides the prerequisites for undertaking the basic courses in microbiology.

In order to increase the flexibility of the program, and to provide additional intellectual stimulation, students are encouraged to participate in a tutored independent research for at least two, and ideally three or more, semesters. Independent research is available to both Honors College and other students, and often culminates with a report written in manuscript style by the student. This research may fulfill part of the department's capstone course requirement for the bachelor's degree with a major in microbiology.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Microbiology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology. The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Microbiology major is met by completing Microbiology 408. That course is referenced in item 3. b. (1) below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Microbiology: 43 to 53 CREDITS

   (1) One of the following, either a. or b. (4 or 6 credits):

      (a) CEM 461 Advanced Biochemistry I ............... 3
      (b) CEM 462 Advanced Biochemistry II ............. 3

   (2) One of the following courses (6 or 9 credits):

      (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry .................. 4
      (b) CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ....... 4

   b. The following courses in the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics: 19

   (1) All of the following courses (13 credits):

      MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology ................. 3
      MMG 302 Introductory Laboratory for General and Allied Health Microbiology .......... 3
      MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology .................. 3
      MMG 431 Microbial Genetics ...................... 3
      MMG 433 Microbial Genomics ........................ 3

   (2) One of the following courses (3 credits):

      MMG 408 Advanced Microbiology Laboratory (W) .... 3
      MMG 434 Laboratory in Genomics and Molecular Genetics (W) .................. 3

   (3) One of the following two options (3 credits):

      (a) MMG 491 Current Topics in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics .............. 3
      (b) MMG 492 Undergraduate Research Seminar

   The completion of Microbiology 491, or Microbiology 492 and 499H, fulfills the department's capstone course requirement.

   c. Two of the following courses: 6 to 8 CREDITS

      ANS 314 Genetic Improvement of Domestic Animals .... 4
      ANS 255 Animal Biotechnology ........................ 3
      CSE 231 Introduction to Programming I ............... 4
      CSE 232 Introduction to Programming II ............. 3
      CSS 350 Introduction to Plant Genetics .............. 3
      CSS 441 Plant Breeding and Biotechnology .......... 3
      MMG 404 Human Genetics .......................... 3
      MMG 413 Virology .................................. 3
      PLB 400 Introduction to Bioinformatics .......... 3
      ZOL 445 Evolution (W) .................................. 3

   This requirement is waived for students who selected item (2) (b) above.

   (4) One of the following courses (9 or 10 credits):

      (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry .................. 4
      (b) CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ....... 4

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.
GRADUATE STUDY

The Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics is administered jointly by the colleges of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine. Study for the Master of Science degree in microbiology and molecular genetics or the Doctor of Philosophy degree in microbiology—environmental toxicology is administered by the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Students who are enrolled in Master of Science degree programs in the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics may elect a Specialization in Food Safety. For additional information, refer to the statement on the specialization in the College of Veterinary Medicine section of this catalog.

MICROBIOLOGY and MOLECULAR GENETICS

In general, qualified students will be admitted to graduate study leading directly to the Ph.D. degree in microbiology and molecular genetics. Students who are enrolled in the professional programs in the colleges of Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine, or in professional programs in other colleges, may pursue a graduate degree in microbiology and molecular genetics concurrently.

The objective of the graduate programs in microbiology and molecular genetics is to provide basic education in various subdisciplines of microbiology and intensive research experience in specialty areas relative to the student's interest. In the master's program, students extend their comprehension of microbiology and cognate science through advanced course work, seminars, and research. The Doctor of Philosophy is a research-oriented degree; the emphasis is placed on original research, and the aim is to enable the student to become a self-educating and creative scholar. Facilities and opportunities are also available for post-doctoral associates. Financial subsidy is available for qualified applicants.

A new graduate student in microbiology and molecular genetics is advised by the Director of Graduate Studies until a major professor is chosen. This choice should be made by the end of the second semester of enrollment in the program. The major professor assists the student in selecting a guidance committee. The committee helps the student in planning a program of study. The program must be approved by the end of the third semester of enrollment in the program. A Manual for Graduate Study in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics is available from the department. This manual contains a philosophy of graduate education and information about the department's master's and doctoral degree programs and related procedures.

Several members of the faculty of the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics are appointed jointly in other departments or are affiliated with the NSF Science and Technology Center for Microbial Ecology or with the Michigan Biotechnology Institute. Some members of the faculty contribute to interdepartmental graduate programs of study.

Scheduled courses and research are offered at the W. K. Kellogg Biological Station located at Gull Lake, near Battle Creek.

Master of Science

Most students admitted to the M.S. program in microbiology and molecular genetics have the Ph.D. degree as their eventual goal. In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, or Veterinary Medicine, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

In general, applicants should have had the equivalent of two semesters each of physics, inorganic chemistry, and organic chemistry; one biochemistry course; mathematics through integral calculus; and one or more courses in the biological sciences.
Applicants should have proficiency in written and spoken English, a minimum grade–point average of 3.00, and grades of 3.0 or above in science and mathematics courses. Scores on the Graduate Record Examination General Test and a personal letter of professional intent and objectives are required. Although preparation in the fundamentals of microbiology is desirable, interested students with degrees in any of the physical or biological sciences or mathematics are invited to apply for admission to the program. Applicants not possessing all of the requirements may be admitted to the program provisionally and permitted to make up deficiencies on a collateral basis.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics

The student must complete 30 credits under Plan A (with thesis). At least 5 credits of master's thesis research are required. The final oral examination, which covers both course work and thesis research, is administered by the student's guidance committee and a representative of the department Graduate Committee. The examining committee recommends a grade for the thesis research and the advisability of further graduate study. All master's students are required to participate in laboratory teaching, and are expected to attend departmental seminars.

Doctor of Philosophy

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, or Veterinary Medicine, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

A student may apply for admission to the doctoral program in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics when the individual is about to earn or has earned a Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Master of Science, or a professional medical degree. In general, applicants should have had the equivalent of two semesters each of physics, inorganic chemistry, and organic chemistry; one biochemistry course; mathematics through integral calculus; and one or more courses in the biological sciences. Applicants should have proficiency in written and spoken English, a minimum grade–point average of 3.00, and grades of 3.0 or above in science and mathematics courses. Scores on the Graduate Record Examination General Test and a personal letter of professional intent and objectives are required. Although preparation in the fundamentals of microbiology is desirable, interested students with degrees in any of the physical or biological sciences or mathematics are invited to apply for admission to the program. Applicants not possessing all of the requirements may be admitted to the program provisionally and permitted to make up deficiencies on a collateral basis.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Microbiology and Molecular Genetics

The student must:
1. Complete a minimum of four graduate courses (excluding topics and seminar courses) covering the areas of genetics, microbiology, and biochemistry. At least two of these courses must be offered by the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics.
2. Complete five graduate seminar courses, each of which involves an oral presentation by the student.
3. Complete at least two, and preferably three, rotations in the laboratories of different faculty members in the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics. This requirement must be completed by the end of the first calendar year of enrollment in the program.
4. Pass the preliminary examination, which involves an oral defense of the research proposal. This examination is normally given at the end of the second year of enrollment in the program.
5. Submit a dissertation and a publishable manuscript, based on original research and representing a new and significant contribution to knowledge.

All doctoral students in microbiology and molecular genetics are required to participate in laboratory teaching, and are expected to attend departmental seminars.

Academic Standards

Failure to pass the preliminary examination will result in dismissal from the program.

BIOMOLECULAR SCIENCE GATEWAY - FIRST YEAR

Students are encouraged to apply for admission to the Ph.D. program through the BioMolecular Science Gateway – First Year, where students choose a doctoral major from any of six Ph.D. programs: biochemistry and molecular biology, cell and molecular biology, genetics, microbiology and molecular genetics, pharmacology and toxicology, or physiology. For additional information refer to the College of Natural Science section of this catalog.

MICROBIOLOGY—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in microbiology—environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Multidepartmental Doctoral Programs in Environmental Toxicology in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.

DEPARTMENT of PHYSICS and ASTRONOMY

Phillip M. Duxbury, Chairperson

Physics is the study of the physical universe. By means of observation, experiment, theoretical constructions and computer simulations, this science attempts to find the principles, which describe that universe. Among the topics of physics are motion and force, energy, sound, electricity and magnetism, light, atomic and nuclear structure, nuclear reactions, properties of condensed matter, the elementary particles and their interactions, and particle accelerators. A study of physics provides the basic understanding of nature, and develops the analytical skills, which are essential for progress in science and technology, e.g., conducting scientific research, solving environmental problems, advancing biomedical systems, and inventing cutting-edge technology of the 21st century.

Astronomy is the study of the universe beyond the earth. The laws of physics, as they are known from laboratory experiments, are applied to stars, interstellar gas, galaxies, and space itself in an attempt to understand the detailed physical states of these entities. Astrophysics frequently involves a study of matter under extreme conditions that cannot be duplicated in the laboratory; from
this point of view the universe becomes a laboratory in which naturally occurring phenomena subject matter to very large ranges of physical parameters. Cosmology, a branch of physics and astronomy, attempts to use theory and current observations to comprehend the history and evolution of the universe.

The department offers diverse courses in physics and astronomy. Undergraduate programs with different emphases may be planned through an appropriate choice of electives from the departmental courses. Other interests may be pursued by concentrating the electives in mathematics, chemistry, biology, computer science, or other branches of science or engineering.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Bachelor of Science

PHYSICS

The Bachelor of Science degree with a major in physics is designed to provide a thorough foundation in the field of physics together with considerable background in mathematics and a balanced program in the liberal arts. It is designed for those with an interest in:

a. Graduate Study. Within the requirements listed below, the student’s electives should emphasize theory in such areas as electricity and magnetism, quantum mechanics, additional mathematics, and computer programming.

b. Experimental Physics as a preparation for positions in government and industry. Students taking this program have an opportunity to obtain a basic background in mechanics, electricity and electronics, thermodynamics, optics, and modern physics. They will also have an opportunity to acquire strong experimental training in at least two and probably three of the following areas: electronics, modern optics, nuclear physics, and solid state (materials) physics. Computer programming courses and experience are strongly recommended.

Recommended programs of study are available in a Department of Physics and Astronomy brochure.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Physics. The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Physics major is met by completing one of the clusters of courses referenced in item 3. b. (2) below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Undergraduate programs. The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Physics and Astronomy: .......................... CREDITS

      (1) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      BS 110 Organisms and Populations .................. 4
      BS 111 Cells and Molecules .......................... 3
      ENT 205 Pests, Society and Environment .......... 4
      MMG 205 Allied Health Microbiology ................ 3
      PLB 105 Plant Biology .................................. 3
      PSL 250 Introductory Physiology ................... 4
      ZOL 141 Introductory Human Genetics ............... 3

      (2) One of the following pairs of courses (7 credits):

      (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry ..................... 4
      CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ............ 3
      (b) CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry .... 4
      CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry .................... 3

   (3) All of the following courses (21 credits):

      CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I .................. 1
      MTH 132 Calculus I .................................. 3
      MTH 133 Calculus II .................................. 4
      MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus .................... 4
      MTH 235 Differential Equations ..................... 3

   Two Mathematics courses at the 300 level or above of at least 3 credits each (6 credits).

   b. The following courses in the Department of Physics and Astronomy: ........................... 34 to 48

      (1) All of the following courses (21 credits):

      PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, I .... 1
      PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, II ...... 1
      PHY 321 Classical Mechanics I ........................ 3
      PHY 410 Thermal and Statistical Physics ............ 3
      PHY 440 Electronics ................................... 4
      PHY 451 Advanced Laboratory ........................ 3
      PHY 471 Quantum Physics I ........................... 3
      PHY 481 Electricity and Magnetism ................. 3

      (2) One of the following clusters of courses (4 to 6 credits):

      (a) Thesis cluster:

      PHY 390 Physics Journal Seminar ................... 1
      PHY 490 Senior Thesis .................................. 3

      (b) Lecture course cluster:

      PHY 491 Atomic, Molecular, and Condensed Matter Physics ........................................ 3

      PHY 492 Nuclear and Elementary Particle Physics .......................................................... 3

   (3) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I .... 4
      PHY 183B Physics for Scientists and Engineers I ...... 4
      PHY 193H Honors Physics I—Mechanics ................ 3

   (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II .... 4
      PHY 184B Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ...... 4
      PHY 294H Honors Physics II—Electromagnetism .... 3

   (5) One of the following courses (3 credits):

      PHY 215 Thermodynamics and Modern Physics ........ 3
      PHY 215B Thermodynamics and Modern Physics .......... 3

   The completion of Physics 390 and 490, or Physics 491 and 492, fulfills the department’s capstone course requirement.

ASTROPHYSICS

The Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Astrophysics is designed to provide an extensive background in both physics and astrophysics; a student who graduates with this degree may apply for admission to graduate study in either astronomy or physics.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Astrophysics

1. The University requirements for bachelor’s degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Astrophysics. The University’s Tier II writing requirement for the Astrophysics major is met by completing 3 or 4 credits of Astronomy and Astrophysics 410. That course is referenced in item 3. b. (1) below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Undergraduate programs. The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Physics and Astronomy: .......................... CREDITS

      (1) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      BS 110 Organisms and Populations .................. 4
      BS 111 Cells and Molecules .......................... 3
      ENT 205 Pests, Society and Environment .......... 4
      MMG 205 Allied Health Microbiology ................ 3
      PLB 105 Plant Biology .................................. 3
      PSL 250 Introductory Physiology ................... 4
      ZOL 141 Introductory Human Genetics ............... 3

      (2) One of the following pairs of courses (7 credits):

      (a) CEM 141 General Chemistry ..................... 4
      CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ............ 3
      (b) CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry .... 4
      CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry .................... 3

      (3) All of the following courses (21 credits):

      CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I .................. 1
      MTH 132 Calculus I .................................. 3
      MTH 133 Calculus II .................................. 4
      MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus .................... 4
      MTH 235 Differential Equations ..................... 3

   Two Mathematics courses at the 300 level or above of at least 3 credits each (6 credits).

   b. The following courses in the Department of Physics and Astronomy: ........................... 34 to 48

      (1) All of the following courses (21 credits):

      PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, I .... 1
      PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, II ...... 1
      PHY 321 Classical Mechanics I ........................ 3
      PHY 410 Thermal and Statistical Physics ............ 3
      PHY 440 Electronics ................................... 4
      PHY 451 Advanced Laboratory ........................ 3
      PHY 471 Quantum Physics I ........................... 3
      PHY 481 Electricity and Magnetism ................. 3

      (2) One of the following clusters of courses (4 to 6 credits):

      (a) Thesis cluster:

      PHY 390 Physics Journal Seminar ................... 1
      PHY 490 Senior Thesis .................................. 3

      (b) Lecture course cluster:

      PHY 491 Atomic, Molecular, and Condensed Matter Physics ........................................ 3

      PHY 492 Nuclear and Elementary Particle Physics .......................................................... 3

   (3) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I .... 4
      PHY 183B Physics for Scientists and Engineers I ...... 4
      PHY 193H Honors Physics I—Mechanics ................ 3

   (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II .... 4
      PHY 184B Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ...... 4
      PHY 294H Honors Physics II—Electromagnetism .... 3

   (5) One of the following courses (3 credits):

      PHY 215 Thermodynamics and Modern Physics ........ 3
      PHY 215B Thermodynamics and Modern Physics .......... 3

   The completion of Physics 390 and 490, or Physics 491 and 492, fulfills the department’s capstone course requirement.
The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the program permits. This degree program is also suitable for those Bachelor of Arts NATURAL SCIENCE

1. The following requirements for the major:
   a. The following courses in the Department of Mathematics:
      (1) All of the following courses (29 or 30 credits):
         AST 207 The Science of Astronomy
         AST 208 Planets and Telescopes
         AST 304 Stars
         AST 308 Galaxies and Cosmology
         AST 410 Senior Thesis
         PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, I
         PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, II
         PHY 321 Classical Mechanics I
         PHY 410 Thermal and Statistical Physics
         PHY 471 Quantum Physics I
      b. The following courses in the Department of Physical Education:
         PHY 481 Electricity and Magnetism I
         The student must enroll in Astronomy and Astrophysics 410 in each of two different semesters for a total of 3 or 4 credits.
         The completion of Astronomy and Astrophysics 410 fulfills the department's capstone course requirement.
   (2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
      PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I
      PHY 183B Physics for Scientists and Engineers II
      PHY 193H Honors Physics I—Mechanics
      PHY 184B Physics for Scientists and Engineers II
      PHY 294H Honors Physics II—Electromagnetism
      PHY 215B Thermodynamics and Modern Physics
   (3) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
      PHY 215 Thermodynamics and Modern Physics
      PHY 215B Thermodynamics and Modern Physics

Bachelor of Arts

The Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in physics is provided for those students who wish a physics major combined with a broader education in the liberal arts than the Bachelor of Science degree program permits. This degree program is also suitable for those students who plan to meet the requirements for teacher certification.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Physics

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Physics.
   The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Physics major is met by completing one of the clusters of courses referenced in item 3, b. (2) below.
   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1, under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3, below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.
2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Arts degree.
   The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3, below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.
3. The following requirements for the major:
   a. The following courses outside the Department of Physics and Astronomy:
      (1) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
         BS 110 Organisms and Populations
         BS 111 Cells and Molecules
         ENT 205 Pest, Society and Environment
         MMG 205 Allied Health Microbiology
         PLB 105 Plant Biology
         PSL 250 Introductory Physiology
         ZOL 141 Introductory Human Genetics
      (2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
         CEM 141 General Chemistry
         CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry
      (3) All of the following courses (18 credits):
         CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I
         MTH 132 Calculus I
         MTH 133 Calculus II
         MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus
         MTH 235 Differential Equations
      One Mathematics course at the 300 level or above of at least 3 credits.
      b. The following courses in the Department of Mathematics:
         (1) All of the following courses (8 credits):
            PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, I
            PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, II
            PHY 321 Classical Mechanics I
            PHY 410 Thermal and Statistical Physics
         (2) One of the following clusters of courses (4 to 6 credits):
            (a) Thesis cluster:
               PHY 390 Physics Journal Seminar
            (b) Lecture course cluster:
               PHY 491 Atomic, Molecular, and Condensed Matter Physics
               PHY 492 Nuclear and Elementary Particle Physics
            (3) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
               PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I
               PHY 183B Physics for Scientists and Engineers II
               PHY 193H Honors Physics I—Mechanics
            (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):
               PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II
               PHY 184B Physics for Scientists and Engineers II
               PHY 294H Honors Physics II—Electromagnetism
            (5) One of the following courses (3 credits):
               PHY 215 Thermodynamics and Modern Physics
            (6) One of the following courses (3 credits):
               PHY 431 Optics
               PHY 440 Electronics
            (7) One of the following courses (3 credits):
               PHY 471 Quantum Physics I
               PHY 481 Electricity and Magnetism I
   The completion of Physics 390 and 490 or Physics 481 and 492 fulfills the department's capstone course requirement.

TEACHER CERTIFICATION OPTIONS

The physics disciplinary majors leading to the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees are available for teacher certification.
   A physics disciplinary minor is also available for teacher certification.
   Students who elect a physics disciplinary major or the physics disciplinary minor must contact the Department of Physics and Astronomy.
   For additional information, refer to the statement on TEACHER CERTIFICATION in the Department of Teacher Education section of this catalog.

GRADUATE STUDY

The Department of Physics and Astronomy offers graduate programs leading to the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in both physics and astrophysics.
   Current experimental and theoretical research programs include work in the general fields of condensed matter physics, nuclear physics, elementary particles, and astrophysics. Other specific areas include accelerator physics, atomic, molecular and optical physics, nanoscience, low-temperature physics, biophysical physics, quantum computing, and computational physics.
   Students who are enrolled in master's or doctoral degree programs in the Department of Physics and Astronomy may elect an Interdepartmental Specialization in Cognitive Science. For additional information, refer to the statement on Interdepartmental Graduate Specializations in Cognitive Science in the College of Social Science section of this catalog. For additional information, contact the Department of Physics and Astronomy.
   For additional information, visit http://www.pa.msu.edu or contact the Department of Physics and Astronomy.
ASTROPHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY

The aim of the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree programs in astrophysics and astronomy is to help students to develop the ability to perform independent research and to teach in this field.

Master of Science

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

For admission to the master's degree program in astrophysics and astronomy on regular status, the student must have:

1. Completed mathematics and astronomy or physics courses equivalent to those that are required for an undergraduate major in physics or astronomy.
2. A satisfactory grade-point average, normally at least 3.00, in the courses referenced in item 1. above.

Students who do not meet the requirements for admission to the program on regular status may be admitted on a provisional basis to remove deficiencies.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Astrophysics and Astronomy

The student must:

1. Complete a total of 30 credits for the degree under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis).
2. Pass a qualifying master’s exam that tests basic knowledge of undergraduate physics.
3. Complete the following core physics courses or their subject examinations, and the following core of astronomy courses, with a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher.

**Physics**

- PHY 820 Classical Mechanics 3
- PHY 831 Statistical Mechanics 3
- PHY 841 Classical Electrodynamics 3

**Astronomy**

- AST 810 Radiation Astrophysics 3
- AST 825 Galactic Astronomy 3
- AST 835 Extragalactic Astronomy 3
- AST 840 Stellar Astrophysics 3
- PHY 983 Nuclear Astrophysics 3

4. Complete one semester of half-time teaching.

Additional Requirements for Plan A

1. Complete at least 4 credits of Astronomy 899 Master's Thesis Research.
2. Pass a final oral examination in defense of the thesis.

Additional Requirements for Plan B

1. Complete 6 credits in Astronomy 805 Research Project. This research project is taken over two semesters and will be graded on the basis of a written paper and oral examination.
2. Pass a final examination or evaluation.

Doctor of Philosophy

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

For admission to the doctoral degree program in astrophysics and astronomy on regular status, the student must have:

1. Completed mathematics and astronomy or physics courses equivalent to those that are required for an undergraduate major in physics or astronomy.
2. A satisfactory grade–point average, normally at least 3.00, in the courses referenced in item 1. above.

Students who do not meet the requirements for admission to the program on regular status may be admitted on a provisional basis to remove deficiencies.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Astrophysics and Astronomy

The student must:

1. Pass the doctoral qualifying exam that tests basic knowledge of undergraduate physics.
2. Complete the following core graduate physics courses or their subject examinations, and the following core of astronomy courses, with a grade-point average of 3.375 or higher.

**Physics**

- PHY 820 Classical Mechanics 3
- PHY 831 Statistical Mechanics 3
- PHY 841 Classical Electrodynamics 3

**Astronomy**

- AST 810 Radiation Astrophysics 3
- AST 825 Galactic Astronomy 3
- AST 835 Extragalactic Astronomy 3
- AST 840 Stellar Astrophysics 3
- PHY 983 Nuclear Astrophysics 3

3. Satisfactorily complete 6 credits in Astronomy 805 Research Project. This research project is taken over two semesters and will be graded on the basis of a written paper and oral examination that also serves as the student’s comprehensive examination.
4. Complete one semester of half-time teaching.
5. Complete a doctoral dissertation on original research.

CHEMICAL PHYSICS

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in chemical physics, refer to the statement on the Department of Chemistry.

PHYSICS

Master of Science

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

For admission to the master's degree program in physics on regular status, the student must have:
1. Completed physics and mathematics courses equivalent to those that are required for an undergraduate major in physics.
2. A satisfactory grade-point average, normally at least 3.00, in the courses referenced in item 1. above.

   Students who do not meet the requirements for admission to the program on regular status may be admitted on a provisional basis to remove deficiencies.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Physics

The student must complete a total of 30 credits for the degree under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis).

   A grade of at least 3.0 (B) on the qualifying examination based on first-year graduate-level physics courses in classical mechanics, quantum mechanics, electrodynamics, and statistical mechanics is required. This examination is offered in the fall and spring semesters and must be taken the first time that it is offered after the student has completed his or her first year of graduate study. Detailed regulations and sample examinations are available from the departmental office.

Doctor of Philosophy

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

For admission to the doctoral degree program in physics on regular status, the student must have:
1. Completed physics and mathematics courses equivalent to those that are required for an undergraduate major in physics.
2. A grade-point average of at least 3.00 in the courses referenced in item 1. above.

   Evidence of some undergraduate or post graduate research experience is desirable.

   Students who do not meet the requirements for admission to the program on regular status may be admitted on a provisional basis to remove deficiencies.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Physics

A grade of 4.0 (A) on the qualifying examination based on first-year graduate-level physics courses in classical mechanics, quantum mechanics, electrodynamics, and statistical mechanics is required. This examination is offered in the fall and spring semesters and must be taken the first time that it is offered after the student has completed his or her first year of graduate study. Detailed regulations and sample examinations are available from the departmental office. A dissertation presenting the results of an original laboratory or theoretical investigation is required. One semester of half-time teaching is also required.

DEPARTMENT of PHYSIOLOGY

Charles Leroy Cox, Chairperson

The Department of Physiology is administered jointly by the colleges of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine.

   The Department of Physiology seeks to prevent and cure diseases through basic research on genes, proteins, and the regulatory signaling systems that control fundamental processes of cellular life.

   Medical research in the modern era has enabled society to conquer many bacterial, viral, and parasitic diseases, including polio, diphtheria, small pox, and pneumonia. Much of medical research today focuses on diseases that result from alterations of fundamental molecular mechanisms within cells and tissues and include cancer, heart disease, kidney disease, bone and joint disorders, and diabetes. DNA carries in its sequence the genes that encode vast numbers of different proteins that are synthesized throughout the life cycle. It also encodes the regulatory instructions that determine exactly when and where each of those genes will be expressed. The Department of Physiology's research on genes and gene regulatory mechanisms includes explorations of both the normal expression of genetic information in development and abnormal expression in diseases such as cancer, diabetes, heart and pulmonary disease, and neuro-degenerative diseases.

   Genomics at the Systems Level. The Department of Physiology conducts basic research aimed at understanding how the genes and proteins of multicellular organisms work. The basic goal is to understand the flow of genetic information during life and the translation of this information into functioning proteins, organized in complex systems that act as signaling ensembles to govern how cells multiply, differentiate, migrate, and die. Research conducted in pursuit of this goal is widely acknowledged to be crucial to the advancement of medical science.

   The Department of Physiology seeks to provide fundamental information into the way genes, their regulation and dysregulation, determine our biological fate and how they can cause disease. The department takes a multidisciplinary approach that requires the scientific skills of a variety of disciplines, including many non-traditionally associated with biomedicine, and focuses on determining how genes and proteins signal cells in the processes of multiplication, differentiation, metabolism, migration, and cell death in the context of complex organisms. With a commitment to use the latest in cellular and molecular technologies, the Department of Physiology promotes an environment in which questions of fundamental importance to medicine and biology can be addressed.

   The Department of Physiology’s approach is to promote research that probes the molecular mechanisms of particular medical problems, to investigate the interaction between environment and genes especially in causing disease, and to discover the role of many genes that are involved in particular diseases. Departmental scientists seek critical information into how specific genes are controlled and expressed by factors both internal and external to the organism. An ultimate aim is to achieve the ability to manipulate the expression of genes involved in disease such that illness can be ameliorated, prevented or cured.
For the most part, departmental scientists do not concentrate directly on treating patients or developing drug therapies, but instead focus on filling critical information gaps in understanding the molecular origins of a disease, and consequently serving as a knowledge bridge that is essential for other scientists and physicians, generally in collaboration, to translate that basic research into effective treatments and cures.

**UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM**

The Bachelor of Science degree program in Physiology combines elements of a liberal education with thorough preparation in molecular, cellular, and organ systems physiology built on a foundation of biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics. It is intended primarily for those students who wish to pursue careers in research, industry, medicine, or other health-related fields, for which a thorough knowledge of physiology is necessary. Students learn a broad range of topics in the field of contemporary molecular and cellular physiology and biomedical research. This major is particularly suitable for students in the life sciences who plan further studies at the graduate or professional level.

In order to increase the flexibility of the program and to foster a meaningful undergraduate experience, students are encouraged to participate in independent research under the supervision of a departmental faculty member. Independent research is available to both Honors College and other students, and often culminates in a written report or a presentation at the University Undergraduate Research Forum. This research may fulfill all or part of the department's capstone laboratory requirement for the bachelor's degree in physiology.

Students seeking admission to the program should complete a high school science or college preparatory curriculum, ensuring that their programs include courses required for admission to the university. Students are also encouraged to complete their preparatory biology, chemistry, mathematics, and physics courses early during their course of collegiate study.

**Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Physiology**

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Physiology. The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Physiology major is met by completing Physiology 450 and one of the following courses: Physiology 420, 426, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, or 449. Those courses are referenced in item 3. b. below.

   Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

   The completion of the Biological Science, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics courses referenced in requirement 3. below satisfies the requirements referenced in item 3.a.(1) through (5) under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. The credits earned in other courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward other College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. The following courses outside the Department of Physiology: 67 to 70

      (1) All of the following courses (43 credits):

      | COURSE | CREDITS |
      |--------|---------|
      | BMB 251 Biochemistry I | 3 |
      | BMB 462 Biochemistry II | 3 |
      | BS 110 Cells and Molecules | 3 |
      | BS 111 General Chemistry | 3 |
      | CEM 141 Organic Chemistry I | 4 |
      | CEM 142 Organic Chemistry II | 4 |
      | CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I | 1 |
      | CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II | 1 |
      | CEM 325 Organic Chemistry Laboratory | 2 |
      | CEM 366 Introductory Physical Chemistry I | 3 |

   (2) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      | COURSE | CREDITS |
      |--------|---------|
      | ANTR 350 Human Gross Anatomy and Structural Biology | 3 |
      | KIN 216 Applied Human Anatomy | 4 |
      | ZOL 320 Developmental Biology | 4 |
      | ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) | 4 |

   (3) One of the following pairs of courses (6 or 7 credits):

      | COURSE | CREDITS |
      |--------|---------|
      | MTH 133 Calculus I | 3 |
      | MTH 132 Calculus II | 4 |

   (b) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I | 3 |

   MTH 123 Survey of Calculus II | 3 |

   (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      | COURSE | CREDITS |
      |--------|---------|
      | STT 201 Statistical Methods | 4 |
      | STT 231 Statistics for Scientists | 4 |

   (5) Twelve credits in nonscience courses beyond the credits that are counted toward University requirements.

   b. The following courses in the Department of Physiology: 67 to 70

      (1) All of the following courses (11 credits):

      | COURSE | CREDITS |
      |--------|---------|
      | PSL 431 Human Physiology I | 3 |
      | PSL 432 Human Physiology II | 3 |
      | PSL 450 Histology and Development | 3 |
      | PSL 475 Capstone Laboratory in Physiology | 2 |

   The completion of Physiology 475 satisfies the department's capstone course requirement.

   (2) One of the following courses (2 credits):

      | COURSE | CREDITS |
      |--------|---------|
      | PSL 420 Membrane Biophysics: An Introduction (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 421 Adult and Embryonic Stem Cells (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 462 Computational Problem Solving in Physiology II (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 439 Special Topics in Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 440 Topics in Cell Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 441 Topics in Endocrinology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 442 Topics in Cardiovascular Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 443 Topics in Respiratory Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 444 Topics in Reproductive Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 445 Topics in Environmental Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 446 Topics in Sensory Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 447 Topics in Brain Function (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 448 Topics in Gastrointestinal Physiology (W) | 2 |
      | PSL 449 Topics in Neurophysiology and Neural Development (W) | 2 |

**GRADUATE STUDY**

The Department of Physiology is administered jointly by the colleges of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine. Study for the Master of Science or Doctor of Philosophy degree with a major in physiology may be administered by any one of the four colleges referenced above. Study for the Doctor of Philosophy degree with a major in physiology—environmental toxicology is administered by the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Students who are enrolled in master's or doctoral degree programs in the Department of Physiology may elect an Interdepartmental Specialization in Cognitive Science. For additional information, refer to the statement on Interdepartmental Graduate Specializations in Cognitive Science in the College of Social Science section of this catalog. For additional information, contact the Department of Physiology.

**PHYSIOLOGY**

The department offers work leading to the Doctor of Philosophy degree and in some cases to the Master of Science degree. The principal objectives of graduate education in physiology are to obtain broad, basic knowledge in the subject matter of this and related fields, and to obtain training in physiological research methods. Major emphasis is placed upon the completion by the student of original research which should provide a significant contribution to knowledge. The facilities and staff are particularly suited to offer training in the following areas of physiology: cellular and molecular physiology, endocrinology, the cardiovascular system, gastrointestinal physiology and metabolism.
neurophysiology, respiration, radiobiology, lactation, renal function, reproduction, comparative physiology, and biophysics.

A manual available at the department graduate office contains information on admission policies, financial support, and requirements for the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree programs in physiology. Departmental graduate stipends are awarded on the basis of merit, subject to the availability of funds.

**Master of Science**

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, or Veterinary Medicine, students must meet the requirements specified below.

**Admission**

An undergraduate major in physiology is not a prerequisite to graduate study. However, a broad background in the basic sciences, including biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics (through calculus), is essential. The minimum requirements include one year of physiology, biology, or zoology; one year each of mathematics and physics; and chemistry through organic and quantitative analysis. A deficiency in these requirements may be removed by successfully completing appropriate courses as collateral work early in the graduate program. Admission is based upon evaluation of the student's past record, results of the Graduate Record Examination, and recommendations.

**Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Physiology**

The student must complete 30 credits under Plan A (with thesis). The program of study is planned by the student in consultation with a major advisor and an advisory committee that includes no fewer than two additional faculty members. Usually work in one or more supporting areas is required in addition to that taken in the major field. Completion of an original research problem and the writing of an acceptable thesis based upon at least 8 credits of research are required.

**Doctor of Philosophy**

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, Human Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, or Veterinary Medicine, students must meet the requirements specified below.

**Admission**

Entry into the Doctor of Philosophy degree program requires that the student has a major advisor and has earned 30 graduate credits, or holds a Master of Science or professional degree, or has passed the departmental Comprehensive Examination.

**Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Physiology**

Students entering a doctoral program with advanced standing must meet with the guidance committee within the first two semesters of doctoral study. The committee is composed of at least four faculty members, in addition to the major advisor, and must include one representative from another department. The course work, research program, and overall requirements needed to qualify for candidacy for the degree are planned in consultation with the guidance committee. However, the student's Guidance Committee Report is approved by the committee only after the student has demonstrated the potential to do research. Such potential may be demonstrated by any of the following:

- previous attainment of a master's degree with a thesis
- previous publication of research results
- other documented evidence of research capability.

The student must pass the Comprehensive Examination within the first two years of graduate study. The Comprehensive Examination which tests the student's breadth of knowledge in physiology, is administered by the Graduate and Professional Course and Curriculum Committee. The student prepares a thesis research proposal and presents the proposal to the faculty at a seminar. The proposal must be acceptable to the guidance committee. While the program is in progress, the student meets periodically with the guidance committee for evaluation.

A dissertation based on original research outlined in the proposal must be submitted to, approved by, and defended in an oral examination before the guidance committee. The dissertation is expected to show evidence of originality in its conception and execution and must be written in a clear and logical manner. Typically, three or more years of study beyond the bachelor's degree are needed to meet these requirements.

**BIOMOLECULAR SCIENCE GATEWAY - FIRST YEAR**

Students are encouraged to apply for admission to the Ph.D. program through the BioMolecular Science Gateway – First Year, where students choose a doctoral major from any of six Ph.D. programs: biochemistry and molecular biology, cell and molecular biology, genetics, microbiology and molecular genetics, pharmacology and toxicology, or physiology. For additional information refer to the College of Natural Science section of this catalog.

**DEPARTMENT of PLANT BIOLOGY**

Richard E. Triemer, Chairperson

The Department of Plant Biology is administered jointly by the College of Natural Science and the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Plant Biology is the branch of natural science that deals with all aspects of the biology of plants, encompassing all levels of biological organization from molecules to the ecosystem. Plant biology concerns itself with the study of the structure, function, evolution, physiology, molecular biology, biochemistry, genetics, and systematics of all taxonomic groups of plants and fungi. Plant biology is central to the wide divergence of disciplines that make up modern plant science at Michigan State University and deals with the relationships between plants and society. Students in this program can study all aspects of plant biology and they are trained to integrate information between different hierarchies of biological organization while at the same time developing a deep understanding of their area of specialization.

**UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS**

The Department of Plant Biology offers two Bachelor of Science degree programs: one in plant biology and one in environmental biology/plant biology.
PLANT BIOLOGY

The Bachelor of Science degree program with a major in plant biology is designed for students who plan to pursue careers in plant biotechnology industries, nurseries, botanical gardens, museums, herbaria, agricultural extension, or research laboratories, or who plan to pursue graduate study in the field of plant biology or related disciplines.

The following concentrations are available to students who are enrolled in the plant biology program: (a) Plant Ecology and Evolution; (b) Plant Physiological, Molecular and Cellular Biology; and (c) General Plant Biology.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Plant Biology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Plant Biology.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree. The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. One of the following groups of courses (6 to 10 credits):

      (1) BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology .......................... 3
      (2) BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory .................... 1
      (3) BS 172 Organismal and Population Biology Laboratory .......... 2

   b. One of the following groups of courses (8 credits):

      (1) CEM 141 General Chemistry .................................. 4
      (2) CEM 142 General and Inorganic Chemistry ....................... 3
      (3) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I .................................. 1
      (4) CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory II ................................ 1

   c. All of the following courses (9 credits):

      (1) PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I .................. 4
      (2) PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II ................ 4
      (3) PHY 231 Introductory Physics I .................................... 3
      (4) PHY 232 Introductory Physics II .................................... 3
      (5) PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I ......................... 1
      (6) PHY 252 Introductory Physics Laboratory II ........................ 1
      (7) LB 273 Physics I ................................................. 4
      (8) LB 274 Physics II ................................................. 4

   d. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      (1) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus ...................................... 3
      (2) MTH 132 Calculus ................................................. 3
      (3) MTH 152H Honors Calculus I ...................................... 3

   e. One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      (1) MTH 128 Survey of Calculus II .................................... 3
      (2) MTH 133 Calculus II .............................................. 4
      (3) MTH 153H Honors Calculus II ..................................... 4
      (4) STT 231 Statistics for Scientists .................................. 3

   f. One of the following courses (15 credits):

      (1) PLB 303 Introduction to Plant Genetics .......................... 3
      (2) PLB 418 Plant Structure and Function ................................
      (3) PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      (4) ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

   g. One of the following courses (12 to 14 credits):

      (1) PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      (2) PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      (3) ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

   h. One of the following courses (3 to 4 credits):

      (1) ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................... 4
      (2) ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................... 4

   i. One of the following three concentrations:

      Plant Ecology and Evolution (14 to 17 credits):

      (1) All of the following courses (13 credits):

      PLB 418 Plant Systems ................................................. 3
      PLB 434 Plant Structure and Function ................................
      PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

      (2) One of the following courses (1 to 4 credits):

      FW 417 Wetland Ecology and Management ............................ 3
      PLB 335 Plants Through Time ......................................... 3
      PLB 402 Biology of Fungi .............................................. 4
      PLB 424 Algal Biology .................................................. 4
      ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory ........................................ 1
      ZOL 440 Field Ecology and Evolution ................................. 4

      Plant Physiological, Molecular, and Cellular Biology (12 to 14 credits):

      (1) Both of the following courses (6 credits):

      BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II .................................... 3
      MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology ..................................... 3

      (2) Two of the following courses (6 to 8 credits):

      FW 417 Wetland Ecology and Management ............................ 3
      MMG 431 Microbial Genetics ......................................... 3
      PLB 402 Biology of Fungi .............................................. 4
      PLB 424 Algal Biology .................................................. 4
      PLB 434 Plant Structure and Function ................................
      PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      PLP 405 Plant Pathology ............................................... 3
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

      If Zoology 355 is chosen, the student must concurrently enroll in
      Zoology 355L for 1 credit.

   General Plant Biology (14 to 17 credits):

      (1) Both of the following courses (7 credits):

      PLB 434 Plant Structure and Function ................................
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

      (2) One of the following courses (3 credits):

      PLB 218 Plants of Michigan ............................................. 3
      PLB 418 Plant Systems ................................................. 3

      (3) One of the following courses (1 or 3 credits):

      PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................... 1

      (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      FW 417 Wetland Ecology and Management ............................ 3
      PLB 335 Plants Through Time ......................................... 3
      PLB 402 Biology of Fungi .............................................. 3
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

   ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY/PLANT BIOLOGY

The Bachelor of Science degree program in environmental biology/plant biology is designed for students who plan to pursue careers involving plants and the environment or who plan to pursue graduate study in the biological sciences. Graduates may be employed in nature organizations, environmental impact firms, or government.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Biology/Plant Biology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Biology/Plant Biology.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

3. The following requirements for the major:

   a. All of the following courses: .................................... 46

   b. One of the following courses (6 credits):

      (1) MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology ................................ 3
      (2) ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

   c. One of the following courses (3 to 4 credits):

      (1) BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II ................................ 3
      (2) MMG 431 Microbial Genetics ..................................... 3

   d. One of the following courses (3 credits):

      (1) PLB 402 Biology of Fungi ......................................... 4
      (2) PLB 424 Algal Biology .............................................. 4
      (3) ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

      If Zoology 355 is chosen, the student must concurrently enroll in
      Zoology 355L for 1 credit.

   General Environmental Biology/Plant Biology (14 to 17 credits):

   (1) Both of the following courses (7 credits):

      PLB 434 Plant Structure and Function ................................
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

   (2) One of the following courses (3 credits):

      PLB 218 Plants of Michigan ............................................. 3
      PLB 418 Plant Systems ................................................. 3

   (3) One of the following courses (1 or 3 credits):

      PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................... 1

   (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      FW 417 Wetland Ecology and Management ............................ 3
      PLB 335 Plants Through Time ......................................... 3
      PLB 402 Biology of Fungi .............................................. 3
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

   If Zoology 355 is chosen, the student must concurrently enroll in
   Zoology 355L for 1 credit.

   General Plant Biology (14 to 17 credits):

   (1) Both of the following courses (7 credits):

      PLB 434 Plant Structure and Function ................................
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

   (2) One of the following courses (3 credits):

      PLB 218 Plants of Michigan ............................................. 3
      PLB 418 Plant Systems ................................................. 3

   (3) One of the following courses (1 or 3 credits):

      PLB 441 Plant Ecology .............................................. 3
      ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................... 1

   (4) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

      FW 417 Wetland Ecology and Management ............................ 3
      PLB 335 Plants Through Time ......................................... 3
      PLB 402 Biology of Fungi .............................................. 3
      ZOL 355 Ecology .................................................... 3

      If Zoology 355 is chosen, the student must concurrently enroll in
      Zoology 355L for 1 credit.
NATURAL SCIENCE
Department of Plant Biology

GRADUATE STUDY
The Department of Plant Biology is administered jointly by the College of Natural Science and the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The department offers Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree programs with majors in plant biology. Those programs are referenced below. The department also offers Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree programs with majors in plant breeding, genetics and biotechnology—plant biology through the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. For information about those programs, refer to the statement on the Department of Plant Biology in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources section of this catalog.

PLANT BIOLOGY
Graduate students in plant biology may emphasize one or more of a number of special areas, including anatomy, bryology, cell biology, ecology, genetics, molecular biology, morphology, mycology, paleobotany, physiology, and taxonomy. Students are urged to take courses which provide a broad background in biological and physical sciences in addition to training in specialized areas.

Master of Science
In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Regular admission may be granted to those students who have a bachelor’s degree or its equivalent, a 3.00 grade–point average, one year each of chemistry, mathematics, and physics, and appropriate training in the biological sciences.

Provisional admission may be granted to those students who do not meet the requirements for regular admission.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Plant Biology
The master’s degree program in plant biology is available under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis). The student’s program of study is arranged by a guidance committee which includes the major professor.

For either Plan A or Plan B, the student must complete at least 30 credits including:
1. Both of the following courses:
   - PLB 800 Seminar in Plant Biology
   - PLB 803 Integrative Topics in Plant Biology
2. Acquire teaching experience by assisting in at least one course.
   A reading knowledge of a foreign language may be required.

Doctor of Philosophy
In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission
Regular admission may be granted to those students who have a master’s degree or its equivalent, a 3.00 grade–point average, and appropriate training in the biological sciences. Outstanding students without a master’s degree may be accepted.

Provisional admission may be granted to those students who do not meet the requirements for regular admission.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Plant Biology
All doctoral students in plant biology must meet the requirements specified below:
1. Complete the following courses:
   a. Both of the following courses:
      - PLB 800 Seminar in Plant Biology
      - PLB 803 Integrative Topics in Plant Biology
   b. One of the following courses:
      - NSC 830 Nature and Practice of Science
   c. One of the following courses:
      - CMB 800 Cell and Molecular Biology Seminar
      - ENT 812 Graduate Seminar
      - FOR 804 Forest Ecology
      - FW 893 Seminar in Fisheries and Wildlife
      - GEN 800 Genetics Seminar
      - GEO 874 Seminar in Geographic Information Science
      - HRT 892 Plant Breeding and Genetics Seminar
      - PLP 894 Seminar in Plant Pathology
      - ZOL 891 Current Topics in Ecology and Evolution
      - ZOL 895 Seminar
2. Pass a preliminary examination.
3. Acquire teaching experience by assisting in two courses.

Additional requirements, such as reading knowledge of one or two foreign languages, may be specified.

DEPARTMENT of STATISTICS and PROBABILITY

Hira L. Koul, Chairperson

Statistics is the driver of data-enabled science for collecting, summarizing, modeling, and interpreting the data. The statistical methods are based on probability theory guided by practical aspects of computation and scientific interpretability. In the last few decades, tremendous strides have been made in the physical, biological, and social sciences as well as in engineering and business by the use of statistical methods and models to describe and aid in the explanation of basic phenomena. A strong interest has developed in the intensive study of statistical theory and methods aside from its uses, in the same way that physical sciences have developed aside from engineering.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

The first two years of an undergraduate program in statistics stress development of a solid background in two areas, basic mathematics and computers. The rest of the student’s program involves a mixture of work selected from statistics, mathematics, and computer programming, and possibly one or more fields of application. Statistics majors who plan to do graduate work should include advanced calculus in their undergraduate programs. The department also offers courses for actuarial science majors housed in the Department of Mathematics.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts Degree in Statistics

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits are required for the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree in Statistics.

The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Statistics major is met by completing General Education requirement 2. Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track in Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree or Bachelor of Arts degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. The following courses (19 to 23 credits):

(1) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):

- LB 118 Calculus I ........................................4
- MTH 132 Calculus I .....................................3
- MTH 152H Honors Calculus I ..........................3

(2) One of the following courses (4 credits):

- LB 119 Calculus II ........................................4
- MTH 133 Calculus II .....................................4
- MTH 153H Honors Calculus II ..........................4

(3) One of the following course (4 credits):

- LB 220 Calculus III ......................................4
- MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus ......................4
- MTH 254H Honors Multivariable Calculus .........4

b. The following courses (9 credits):

(1) The following course (3 credits):

- STT 422 Statistics II ...................................3

(2) One of the following courses (3 credits):

- STT 441 Probability and Statistics I: Probability ....3
- STT 861 Theory of Probability and Statistics I ........3

(3) One of the following courses (3 credits):

- STT 442 Probability and Statistics II: Statistics ....3
- STT 862 Theory of Probability and Statistics II ....3

c. The following capstone course (3 credits):

- STT 481 Capstone in Statistics (W) ................3

d. Three of the following courses (9 or 10 credits):

- EC 821A Cross Section and Panel Data Econometrics I ...3
- EC 821B Cross Section and Panel Data Econometrics II ...3
- EC 822A Time Series Econometrics I ................3
- EC 822B Time Series Econometrics II ................3
- STT 422 Statistics II ...................................3
- STT 455 Actuarial Models I ..........................3
- STT 456 Actuarial Models II .........................3
- STT 459 Construction and Evaluation of Actuarial Models ....3
- STT 461 Computations in Probability and Statistics ....3
- STT 462 Theory of Probability and Statistics II ....3
- STT 464 Statistics for Biologists .....................3
- STT 465 Bayesian Statistical Methods ..................3
- STT 466 Categorical Data Analysis .................3
- STT 801 Design of Experiments ........................3
- STT 802 Statistical Computation .....................3
- STT 814 Advanced Statistics for Biologists ..........3
- STT 825 Sample Surveys ................................3
- STT 843 Multivariate Analysis .......................3
- STT 844 Time Series Analysis ........................3
- STT 847 Analysis of Survival Data ....................3
- STT 855 Statistical Genetics ..........................3
- STT 863 Statistical Methods I ........................3
- STT 864 Statistical Methods II .......................3
- STT 886 Stochastic Processes and Applications ....3
- STT 888 Stochastic Models in Finance ..............3

Not more than two courses may be chosen from STT 455, 456, or 459.

e. Electives chosen from any combination of the following, approved by the student's academic advisor (6 credits):

(1) Courses from item d. not used to fulfill that requirement with the exception of STT 455, 456, or 459;

(2) MTH 235 or any 300-level or higher MTH course;

(3) CSE 232 or 260 or any 300-level or higher CSE course;

(4) 300-400 level courses in an area of application of statistics and probability.

GRADUATE STUDY

The Department of Statistics and Probability offers two majors that lead to master's degrees: applied statistics, and statistics. The department also offers a major in statistics that leads to the Doctor of Philosophy degree. Each of the master’s and doctoral degree programs is described below. For more detailed information on degree requirements please visit the department website www.stt.msu.edu.

APPLIED STATISTICS

Master of Science

The goal of the master’s degree program in applied statistics is to provide students with a broad understanding of the proper application of statistical methodology and with experience in using computers effectively for statistical analysis. The student may emphasize either theoretical or applied material. Special emphasis is placed on the concerns that an applied statistician must address in dealing with practical problems.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.
Admission

To be admitted to the master's degree program in applied statistics, the applicant should have a background in calculus equivalent to MTH 132, 133, and 234 at Michigan State University, a background in linear algebra equivalent to MTH 309 at Michigan State University, and at least one post-calculus -level course in statistics or probability. The overall grade-point average in these courses should be at least 3.0.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Applied Statistics

The program is available only under Plan B (without thesis). An academic advisor coordinates the student's program of study, which must be approved by the chairperson of the department. The student must:

1. Complete either a. or b.
   a. All of the following courses (15 credits):
      STT 441 Probability and Statistics I: Probability ........ 3
      STT 442 Probability and Statistics II: Statistics .......... 3
      STT 801 Design of Experiments .......................... 3
      STT 802 Statistical Computation ............................ 3
      STT 883 Statistical Methods I ............................. 3
   b. All of the following courses (15 credits):
      STT 801 Design of Experiments .......................... 3
      STT 802 Statistical Computation ............................ 3
      STT 861 Theory of Probability and Statistics I .......... 3
      STT 862 Theory of Probability and Statistics II .......... 3
      STT 883 Statistical Methods I ............................. 3

2. Complete at least 9 additional credits in courses in the Department of Statistics and Probability at the 800-level or higher.
3. Complete an additional 9 credits in courses in the Department of Statistics and Probability, the Department of Mathematics, or in a field of application of statistics and probability.
4. Complete a final examination or evaluation.

STATISTICS

Master of Science

The goal of the master's degree program in statistics is to provide students with a sound foundation in probability, mathematical statistics, and statistical methodology. The student may emphasize either theoretical or applied material.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

To be admitted to the master's degree program in statistics, the applicant should have a background in calculus equivalent to Mathematics 132, 133, and 234, in linear algebra equivalent to Mathematics 309, and probability and statistics equivalent to Statistics and Probability 441 and 442 at MSU with an overall grade point average of 3.0 in this course work.

Requirements for the Master of Science Degree in Statistics

The program is available under either Plan A (with thesis) or Plan B (without thesis). An academic advisor coordinates the student's program of study, which must be approved by the chairperson of the department. The student must complete:

1. At least 30 credits in courses in the Department of Statistics and Probability, or in a related field including:
   a. All of the following courses (12 credits):
      STT 861 Theory of Probability and Statistics I .......... 3
      STT 862 Theory of Probability and Statistics II .......... 3
      STT 863 Applied Statistics Methods I .................... 3
      STT 864 Applied Statistics Methods II ................... 3
   b. Nine additional credits in STT courses at the 800-level or above as approved by the student's academic advisor. At least 4 credits must be in STT 899 Master's Thesis Research.
   c. Nine additional credits in STT courses or courses in related fields as approved by the student's academic advisor.
   d. Completion of an oral examination in defense of the thesis, final examination or evaluation.

Doctor of Philosophy

The Doctor of Philosophy degree program with a major in statistics is designed for students who plan to pursue careers in university teaching and research or in industrial and government consulting and research.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the university and of the College of Natural Science, students must meet the requirements specified below.

Admission

A master's level understanding of statistics and probability and a sound understanding of undergraduate-level real analysis are necessary for success in the doctoral program. Strong applicants with deficiencies in one of these areas will be considered for admission, and if accepted will be given the opportunity to learn the required material during their first year in the program. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test is required of all applicants.

Requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Statistics

The program of study is developed by the guidance committee in consultation with the student. Students must be able to carry on significant original research in statistics or probability, as demonstrated in the dissertation, the student must also meet the requirements specified below:

2. Complete at least five additional courses from lists (a) and (b), with at least one course from a. and one from b.:
   a. Advanced Probability: Statistics and Probability 961, 962, 964, 996
3. Complete at least three additional elective courses offered at the 800-level or higher from any department. These courses must be approved by the student's guidance committee.
DEPARTMENT of ZOOLOGY

Thomas Getty, Chairperson

The Department of Zoology is focused on understanding how complex biological systems evolve, develop, function, interact and respond to environmental change. The systems we study span the tree of life at all levels of biological organization, ranging from molecules to entire ecosystems. We use cutting-edge tools to address questions about genetics, development, physiology, behavior, ecology and evolution in a wide array of “natural” and model systems. Our research and teaching serves national needs related to sustainable biodiversity, ecosystem services, and human and animal welfare in a changing world.

The department's courses, concentrations and degrees span the scope of modern biology. We serve a range of undergraduate interests and prepare students to pursue careers in areas that include academic and non-academic research and teaching, medicine, dentistry, veterinary science and other health professions, biotechnology, environmental science, and animal management and welfare.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Three degree programs are offered: Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science in Zoology, and a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Biology/Zoology. Majors are expected to acquire broad background in the sciences fundamental to the understanding of modern zoology. General chemistry and mathematics are normally taken in the freshman year, and physics in the junior year. The Biological Science sequence (161/171, 162/172) should be started as soon as possible since these courses are prerequisite to further study in zoology. Course electives in zoology are to be chosen so that they furnish breadth of zoological understanding in animal behavior, cell biology, comparative anatomy, developmental biology, ecology, environmental physiology, evolution, genetics, marine biology, neurobiology, organismal biology, and zoo and aquarium science. The department encourages and supports experiential learning through internships and independent study. These experiences must be approved in advance by an advisor.

Normally no more than 8 credits of upper-level course work in classes such as directed studies, internship, independent study, study abroad, selected topics, or special topics from any department or college other than zoology may be counted as zoology electives toward any zoology degree. Students may petition the Director of Undergraduate Studies in the department to exceed this 8-credit limit.

ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY/ZOOLOGY

Bachelor of Science

The objective of the Bachelor of Science degree program with a major in environmental biology/zoology is to help students to understand the concepts of environmental biology and to apply those concepts to improve both the natural environment and the environment perturbed by human activities. The focus of the program is on animal biology. The zoology courses in the program emphasize ecology, systematics, and environmental science.

Students who are enrolled in this program may complete an optional capstone course: Zoology 454 or 496.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Biology/Zoology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Biology/Zoology. The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Environmental Biology/Zoology major is met by completing Zoology 445 and 483. Those courses are referenced in item 3. a. below.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading Graduation Requirements in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

a. All of the following courses: .................................................. 56
   BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology ........................................ 3
   BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology ..................... 3
   BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory ................. 2
   BS 172 Organismal and Population Biology Laboratory .... 2
   CEM 141 General Chemistry ............................................. 4
   CEM 161 Chemistry Laboratory I ...................................... 4
   CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I .......................................... 3
   CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II ......................................... 3
   CEM 255 Organic Chemistry Laboratory .......................... 2
   CSS 210 Fundamentals of Soil Science ............................ 4
   PHY 231 Introductory Physics I ....................................... 3
   PHY 232 Introductory Physics II ....................................... 3
   PHY 251 Introductory Physics Laboratory I ..................... 1
   PHY 252 Introductory Physics Laboratory II .................... 1
   PLB 441 Plant Ecology .................................................. 3
   ZOL 306 Invertebrate Biology ......................................... 4
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ......................................... 4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .......................................................... 3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) .................................... 1
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) .................................................. 3
   ZOL 483 Environmental Physiology (W) ........................... 4
   Entomology 404 may be substituted for Zoology 306. Forestry 404 may be substituted for Plant Biology 441.

b. One of the following groups of courses (6 or 7 credits):
   (a) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I .................................... 3
   MTH 126 Survey of Calculus II ...................................... 3
   (b) MTH 132 Calculus I .................................................. 3
   MTH 133 Calculus II .................................................... 4
   (c) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I And
   STT 201 Statistical Methods ........................................... 4
   Or
   STT 224 Introduction to Probability and Statistics for Ecologists ......................... 3
   Or
   STT 231 Statistics for Scientists ...................................... 3
   Or
   STT 421 Statistics I ..................................................... 3
   (d) MTH 132 Calculus I And
   STT 201 Statistical Methods ........................................... 4
   Or
   STT 224 Introduction to Probability and Statistics for Ecologists ......................... 3
   Or
   STT 231 Statistics for Scientists ...................................... 3
   Or
   STT 421 Statistics I ..................................................... 3

c. One of the following courses: ........................................... 4
   FW 471 Ichthyology ...................................................... 4
   ZOL 360 Biology of Birds .............................................. 4
   ZOL 365 Biology of Mammals ......................................... 4
   ZOL 384 Biology of Amphibians and Reptiles (W) ............... 4

d. One course from each of the following three groups of courses: ........................................... 9 to 11
   (1) PLB 218 Plants of Michigan ....................................... 3
   PLB 418 Plant Systematics .............................................. 3
   (2) FW 420 Stream Ecology ............................................. 3
   PLB 424 Algal Biology .................................................. 4
   ZOL 353 Marine Biology (W) .......................................... 4
   ZOL 485 Tropical Biology .............................................. 3
   (3) FW 416 Marine Ecosystem Management ......................... 3
   FW 472 Limnology ...................................................... 3
   GLG 421 Environmental Geochemistry ................................ 3

e. A minimum of 33 credits in Zoology courses including the Zoology courses that satisfy the Tier II writing requirement referenced in item 1. above. Zoology courses that are not listed above must be approved in writing by the student's academic advisor. Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses.
The Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in zoology is for students who wish to pursue careers in the applications of science to such fields as public policy, law, business, and communications.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Zoology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog. 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Zoology.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Science that is described in item 1. under the heading Faculty of Arts and Letters, Business, Communication Arts and Sciences, and Social Science.

Bachelor of Science

The Bachelor of Science degree program with a major in zoology is for students who seek professional employment in animal biology, or who seek admission to graduate programs in animal biology or to health-related professional schools. Students may pursue a degree program in general zoology that encompasses the several branches of modern zoology while permitting focused study in any one of these fields. Alternatively, with the prior approval of an academic advisor, students may elect to pursue one of the following specialized concentrations in zoology: cell and developmental biology; ecology, evolution and organismal biology; genetics; neurobiology and animal behavior; zoo and aquarium science, or marine biology.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Zoology

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the Undergraduate Education section of this catalog. 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Science that is described in item 1. under the heading Faculty of Arts and Letters, Business, Communication Arts and Sciences, and Social Science.

a. All of the following courses: .................................. 21

b. One of the following groups of courses (9 or 10 credits):

(1) BS 161 Cell and Molecular Biology .................... 3
(2) BS 162 Organismal and Population Biology ........ 3
(3) BS 171 Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory .... 2
(4) BS 172 Organismal and Population Biology Laboratory ............ 2
(5) BS 181H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology ...... 3
(6) BS 182H Honors Organismal and Population Biology . 3
(7) BS 191H Honors Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory 2
(8) BS 192H Honors Organismal and Population Biology Laboratory .... 2

(3) LB 144 Biology I: Organismal Biology .......... 4
(4) LB 145 Biology II: Cellular and Molecular Biology .... 5
(5) LB 306 Invertebrate Biology .................... 4
(6) LB 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) .... 4

(4) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I ..................... 3
(5) MTH 132 Calculus I .................................. 3
(6) MTH 133 Calculus II .................................. 4
(7) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I ..................... 3
(8) MTH 231 Statistics for Scientists .................. 3
(9) MTH 211 Statistical Methods ....................... 4
(10) MTH 132 Calculus I .................................. 3
(11) MTH 421 Statistics I .................................. 3

Mathematics 124 or 132 and Statistics and Probability 201, 224, 231, or 421 may be used to satisfy both the requirement referenced in item 3. a. (2) and the requirement referenced in item 3. d.

f. Twelve credits in 300–400 level courses offered by the Colleges of Arts and Letters, Business, Communication Arts and Sciences, and Social Science.
(a) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I ....................3
(b) MTH 126 Survey of Calculus II ....................3
(c) MTH 132 Calculus I (W) ..........................4
(d) MTH 133 Calculus II ............................4
(c) MTH 124 Survey of Calculus I ....................3
(d) MTH 201 Statistical Methods ........................4
Or
STT 211 Introduction to Probability and Statistics for Ecologists ..........3
Or
STT 231 Statistics for Scientists ...........................3
Or
STT 421 Statistics I ....................................3
(d) MTH 132 Calculus I ..................................3
And
STT 201 Statistical Methods .............................4
Or
STT 224 Introduction to Probability and Statistics for Ecologists ..........3
Or
STT 231 Statistics for Scientists ...........................3
Or
STT 421 Statistics I ....................................3

d. One of the following seven concentrations:

**General Zoology**

(1) All of the following courses: ........................................ 11 11 or 12
   ZOL 306 Invertebrate Biology ..................................4
   ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) ..........4

(2) One course from each of the following three groups of courses: ........ 3
   (a) ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

   (b) ZOL 313 Animal Behavior ....................................3
   ZOL 483 Environmental Physiology (W) ..................................4
   ZOL 320 Developmental Biology ..................................4
   ZOL 408 Histology ........................................4
   ZOL 425 Cells and Development (W) ..................................4

   (c) ZOL 306 Invertebrate Biology ..................................4
   ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) ..........4
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

   (3) Fourteen additional credits in courses, ecology, evolution, and organismal biology approved in writing by the student's academic advisor.
   Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.

**Cell and Developmental Biology**

(1) All of the following courses: ........................................ 11 1
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

(2) One of the following courses: ........................................ 4
   ZOL 320 Developmental Biology ..................................4
   ZOL 425 Cells and Development (W) ..................................4

(3) Eighteen credits from the following courses: ..................................18
   MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology ..................................3
   MMG 302 Introductory Laboratory for General and Allied Health Microbiology ..................................1
   ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) ..........4
   ZOL 343 Genetics Laboratory ....................................3
   ZOL 402 Neurobiology .......................................3
   ZOL 408 Histology ........................................4
   ZOL 450 Cancer Biology (W) ....................................3
   ZOL 455 Cancer Biology (W) ....................................3
   MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology ..................................3
   ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) ..........4
   ZOL 343 Genetics Laboratory ....................................3
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

   Either Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 401, or Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 461 and 462 combined, may be substituted for one of the courses listed above.

   (4) A minimum of 33 credits in Zoology courses including the Zoology courses that satisfy the Tier II writing requirement referenced in item 1. above. Zoology courses that are not listed above must be approved in writing by the student's academic advisor. Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.

**Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology**

(1) All of the following courses: ........................................ 11
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

(2) One of the following courses: ........................................ 4
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

   Either Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 401, or Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 461 and 462 combined, may be substituted for one of the courses listed above.

   (4) A minimum of 33 credits in Zoology courses including the Zoology courses that satisfy the Tier II writing requirement referenced in item 1. above. Zoology courses that are not listed above must be approved in writing by the student's academic advisor. Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.

   (5) Fourteen additional credits in courses, ecology, evolution, and organismal biology approved in writing by the student's academic advisor.
   Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.

**Genetics**

(1) All of the following courses: ........................................ 23
   BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I ..........................3
   BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II ..........................3
   MMG 431 Microbial Genetics ..............................3
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 343 Genetics Laboratory ....................................3
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ..............................1
   ZOL 450 Cancer Biology (W) ....................................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

(2) One of the following courses: ........................................ 3
   BMB 472 Biochemistry Laboratory ..............................3
   ZOL 425 Cells and Development (W) ..............................4

(3) The following course: ........................................ 4
   ZOL 494 Independent Study ....................................4

(4) A minimum of 33 credits in Zoology courses including the Zoology courses that satisfy the Tier II writing requirement referenced in item 1. above. Zoology courses that are not listed above must be approved in writing by the student's academic advisor. Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.

**Neurobiology and Animal Behavior**

(1) All of the following courses: ........................................ 20
   ZOL 313 Animal Behavior ....................................3
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 420 Neurobiology .......................................4
   ZOL 415 Ecological Aspects of Animal Behavior (W) ....................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

(2) One of the following courses: ........................................ 3
   ZOL 306 Invertebrate Biology ..................................4
   ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) ..........4

(3) One of the following courses: ........................................ 3
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 420 Neurobiology .......................................4
   ZOL 415 Ecological Aspects of Animal Behavior (W) ....................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3

**Zoo and Aquarium Science**

(1) All of the following courses: ........................................ 31
   ZOL 313 Animal Behavior ....................................3
   ZOL 320 Developmental Biology ..................................4
   ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) ..........4
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 369 Introduction to Zoo and Aquarium Science .......................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3
   ZOL 489 Seminar in Zoology and Aquatic Science .......................3
   ZOL 498 Internship in Zoo and Aquarium Science .......................4

(2) One of the following courses: ........................................ 4
   FW 471 Ichthyology .........................................4
   ZOL 360 Biology of Birds ....................................4
   ZOL 365 Biology of Mammals ....................................4
   ZOL 384 Biology of Amphibians and Reptiles (W) .......................4

(3) One of the following courses: ........................................ 3
   ZOL 341 Fundamental Genetics ..................................4
   ZOL 355 Ecology .........................................3
   ZOL 355L Ecology Laboratory (W) ................................3
   ZOL 445 Evolution (W) ..................................3
   ZOL 306 Invertebrate Biology ..................................4
   ZOL 328 Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W) ..........4

(4) Fourteen additional credits in courses, ecology, evolution, and organismal biology approved in writing by the student's academic advisor.
   Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.

   (5) A minimum of 33 credits in Zoology courses including the Zoology courses that satisfy the Tier II writing requirement referenced in item 1. above. Zoology courses that are not listed above must be approved in writing by the student's academic advisor. Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.

   (6) Fourteen additional credits in courses, ecology, evolution, and organismal biology approved in writing by the student's academic advisor.
   Courses offered by other departments may be substituted for Zoology courses with the written approval of the student's academic advisor.
The Department of Zoology offers Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degree programs in zoology. The department also offers a Doctor of Philosophy degree program in Zoology—Environmental Toxicology. Research areas and opportunities are aligned with faculty research programs at the forefronts of the research areas outlined above. Students interested in graduate study should visit the department website for additional information about these opportunities and how to pursue them.

Students who are enrolled in master’s or doctoral degree programs in the Department of Zoology may elect an Interdepartmental Specialization in Cognitive Science. For additional information, refer to the statement on Interdepartmental Graduate Specializations in Cognitive Science in the College of Social Science section of this catalog. For additional information, contact the Department of Zoology.

ZOOLOGY—ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

Doctor of Philosophy

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy degree program in zoology—environmental toxicology, refer to the statement on Doctoral Program in Environmental and Integrative Toxicological Sciences in the Graduate Education section of this catalog.
ABRAMS PLANETARIUM

Shannon Schmoll, Director

The Abrams Planetarium is an acknowledged leader in the popularization of astronomy. It is named after Dr. Talbert “Ted” and Mrs. Leota Abrams, who generously gave the original gift of $250,000 over 50 years ago. Today, the building features a 140-seat Sky Theater housing a digital full-dome projector, a black light gallery, an exhibit hall, and gift counter.

The major goals of the planetarium include offering engaging multimedia presentations that always contain a live presentation to the public, tailored programs for the needs of K-12 students, up-to-date undergraduate education across disciplines by collaborating with people across campus and the community.

Star shows and other events are offered to the public on weekends and special occasions. Visitors to the exhibit hall are welcome between 9:00am and noon and 1:00pm to 4:30 pm on weekdays.

For more information and full listing of our offerings visit www.pa.msu.edu/abrams.

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE PROGRAM

The Biological Science Program is responsible for the development and operation of a foundational core curriculum in general biology appropriate for science majors and others interested in a comprehensive introduction to the field. Courses include the two semester lecture/lab sequence Biological Science 161/171 and 162/172. Equivalent honors courses are offered as Biological Science 181H/191H and 182H/192H.

MSU/DOE PLANT RESEARCH LABORATORY

Michael Thomashow, Director

A center for modern plant biology, the MSU/DOE Plant Research Laboratory was established in 1964. The Laboratory is administered jointly by the College of Natural Science and the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources under a core research grant from the U.S. Department of Energy.

The Laboratory conducts a broad range of energy-related research at the molecular, subcellular, cellular, tissue, organ and organismal levels and draws on plant physiology, biochemistry, structural biology, cell and molecular biology, genetics and other disciplines. Areas of research under investigation emphasize topics related to energy capture, conversion, and deposition in energy-rich molecules. These topics include dynamic regulation of photosynthesis and growth, identification of energy-sensing and response pathways, mechanisms and regulation of carbon fixation, transduction of environmental information by the plant, effects of stress conditions upon growth and productivity, developmental biology of nitrogen-fixing cyanobacteria, genetic analysis of physiological traits, and molecular mechanisms regulating plant gene expression.

The Laboratory provides facilities and support for students intending to proceed toward the Doctor of Philosophy degree and for postdoctoral research associates. The doctoral degree programs are administered through academic units, with which the Laboratory faculty have joint appointments, particularly the departments of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Plant Biology, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics and Plant, Soil and Microbial Sciences. The interdepartmental doctoral programs in Genetics and in Cellular and Molecular Biology that are administered by the College of Natural Science are also available. The student’s admission and program of study are subject to the regulations and approval of the appropriate department, as well as either the College of Natural Science or the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

The aim of graduate work in the Laboratory is to give students training in independent research and to provide them with sufficient strength, both in biology and in the basic sciences, to enable them to stay in the forefront of their continuously changing and developing field. Doctoral programs consist of course work in advanced subjects and research, leading to a dissertation.

To be accepted for graduate work in the Laboratory, the student is generally expected to have at least the Bachelor of Science degree and to have had courses in organic chemistry, mathematics through calculus, physics and general botany or biology. Courses in plant physiology, physical chemistry and biochemistry are desirable. In the case of highly qualified students, part of the course requirements may be completed after admission to graduate work, but admission will, in such cases, be on a provisional basis until these requirements have been completed satisfactorily.

Graduate students are given freedom of choice in selecting, within the Laboratory, the areas of their research and their major advisors. These selections must be compatible with the Laboratory’s objectives. Students are expected to spend the first two semesters following admission familiarizing themselves with the research programs of the Laboratory’s staff and related research in other departments, including participation in several research projects, and to make their selection on this basis.

Because of the intensity of the program, the student is expected to work on a year-round basis.

CENTER FOR ADVANCED MICROSCOPY

Stanley L. Flegler, Director

Microscopy, the science of microscope use, traces its origins to the work of Hooke and Leeuwenhoek in the late 1600’s. There are now many types of microscopes and dozens of different imaging and analytical methods. Images may be created using visible and invisible light, electrons, magnetic forces, mechanical probes, current flow, and atomic level attractive and repulsive forces. Much of the technology in our modern world would not have been possible without the images and analytical data from microscopes.

Microscopy is a vital resource in creating and applying knowledge to help address the critical problems of the 21st century. The Center for Advanced Microscopy (CAM), a university Core Facility, is the Central microscopy laboratory for the Michigan State University campus. Teaching, research, and service work are provided in Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM), Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM), Confocal Laser Scanning Microscopy (CLSM), Laser Capture Microscopy (LCM), and Energy Dispersive X-ray Spectroscopy (EDS). CAM has a large user
base from 49 departments in nine colleges. Outreach is provided on a local and national level. Our comprehensive teaching program includes NSC-810 Biological TEM Lab (FS, SS), NSC-815 Physical Science TEM Lab (FS, SS), NSC-816 Advanced Physical Science TEM lab (FS, SS), NSC-820 SEM Lab (FS, SS), and NSC-837 CLSM Lab (FS, SS).

In scanning electron microscopy we offer the following imaging/analytical capabilities: secondary electron imaging; backscattered electron imaging; energy dispersive x-ray spectroscopy including qualitative and quantitative analysis, linescans, and X-ray dot maps; high resolution field emission scanning electron microscopy; low vacuum and cryo scanning electron microscopy.

In transmission electron microscopy we offer the following imaging/analytical capabilities: conventional bright/dark field imaging; high-resolution electron microscopy (HREM) imaging; selected area diffraction (SAD), micro/nano-diffraction, convergent beam electron diffraction (CBED); scanning transmission electron microscopy (STEM) with Z-contrast atomic resolution imaging; Lorenz electron microscopy; electron energy filtered imaging (EFI); high spatial/energy resolution electron energy loss spectroscopy (EELS); simultaneous EELS and dark field STEM imaging for line scans and spectrum imaging; energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS) with line scans and spectrum imaging; Internet remote electron microscopy.

In confocal laser scanning microscopy, we offer the following imaging/analytical capabilities: serial optical sectioning and time series imaging in fluorescence or reflection confocal modes; fluorescence correlation spectroscopy; transmitted imaging, including bright field, darkfield, phase contrast, DIC and polarization; and three-dimensional image rendering on many kinds of images. Numerous laser lines are available.

Microscopy is closely linked with computer technology. Numerous imaging processing programs are available for image enhancement, measurement and quantitative analysis.