



# LYMAN BRIGGS COLLEGE

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The Lyman Briggs College is a residential college that bridges the science and humanities through interdisciplinary teaching and research. It provides students with a fundamental core science education in mathematics, chemistry, biology, and physics. Additionally, the core program addresses historical, philosophical, and societal concerns and consequences of modern science, technology, the environment, and medicine. Advanced undergraduate courses in the student's major are taken in the respective departmental units of the College of Natural Science, College of Engineering, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, and the University at large. The majority of Lyman Briggs students pursue programs leading to advanced graduate study in the natural sciences, or professional programs related to medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, allied health, education or law. Many other students plan to enter careers in teaching at the secondary level, science writing, product representation, industry, or government service upon completion of their Bachelor of Science degree.

As a residential college, Lyman Briggs College has classrooms, laboratories, faculty offices, academic advisor offices, and administrative offices located in Holmes Hall, where all first year and many upper-level Lyman Briggs students live and learn. Because of this residential organization, students are able to develop a strong living-learning community identity by integrating academic and personal development, with faculty, staff and their peers in residence. Students are encouraged to balance their academic lives with social, cultural, athletic, service-learning, and leadership opportunities on campus and in the greater East Lansing community.

Students admitted to Michigan State University are admissible to Lyman Briggs College based initially on application date. There are no additional academic or program requirements for freshman admissions. Enrollment in the college is limited; therefore students are encouraged to apply early. Applicants should indicate their intention to become a part of the Lyman Briggs College on the Michigan State University Application for Admissions. If a student has already submitted an application and would like to ap-

ply to Lyman Briggs College, she/he should contact the Office of Admissions directly as early as possible.

Students work closely with their academic advisors and faculty in developing an individualized academic plan. All students enter the program as 'no major' status and may declare a major as early as summer orientation or by the time they have earned 56 credit hours.

Students who are enrolled in the environmental biology/microbiology and microbiology coordinate majors in Lyman Briggs College 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.

## Admission as a Freshman to Lyman Briggs College

Any student who meets the general requirements for admission to the university as shown in the *Undergraduate Education* section of this catalog may enroll in Lyman Briggs College, pending available space.

## Transfer Students

All students in good academic standing in Lyman Briggs College may transfer at any time to other programs at Michigan State University for which they are eligible, in order to accommodate changing academic needs and interests.

Students who wish to transfer into Lyman Briggs College should contact the Academic and Student Affairs Office to make an appointment to consult with the Admissions Coordinator. Space in Lyman Briggs College is limited.

**UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM**

The Lyman Briggs College program leads to the Bachelor of Science Degree.

**Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Lyman Briggs College**

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

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 are equivalent to courses in the alternative track and, therefore, may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

The completion of the Lyman Briggs College mathematics and statistics requirement [referenced in item 3.c.(4) below] may also satisfy the University mathematics requirement.

The completion of Lyman Briggs 133 or one of the approved alternatives [referenced in requirement 3.a.(5)(a) below] may also be counted toward the University Tier I writing requirement.

The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Major and Coordinate Majors in Lyman Briggs College is met by completing Lyman Briggs College 492 and one of the following courses: English 473A; History 425; Lyman Briggs College 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 355. Those courses are referenced in items 3. a. (5) and 3. a. (6) below.

2. The requirements of Lyman Briggs College for the Bachelor of Science degree, referenced in item 3. a. below.

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

3. The following requirements of Lyman Briggs College for the Bachelor of Science degree:

	CREDITS
a. CORE PROGRAM .....	46 to 55
(1) <b>Biology:</b> One of the following <b>groups</b> of courses (8 to 10 credits):	
(a) Lyman Briggs 144, 145.	
(b) Biological Science 181H, 191H, 182H, 192H.	
(c) Biological Science 161, 171, 162, 172.	
(2) <b>Chemistry:</b> One of the following <b>groups</b> of courses (8 to 10 credits):	
(a) Lyman Briggs 171, 171L, 172, 172L.	
(b) Lyman Briggs 171, 171L; Chemistry 143	
(c) Lyman Briggs 171, 171L; Chemistry 251.	
(d) Chemistry 141, 142, 161.	
(e) Chemistry 141, 143, 161.	
(f) Chemistry 141, 161, 251.	
(g) Chemistry 151, 152, 161.	
(h) Chemistry 181H, 182H, 185H.	
(3) <b>Mathematics and Statistics:</b> One of the following <b>groups</b> of courses (6 to 8 credits):	
(a) Lyman Briggs 118, 119.	
(b) Lyman Briggs 118; Statistics and Probability 231.	
(c) Mathematics 132, 133.	
(d) Mathematics 132; Statistics and Probability 231.	
(e) Mathematics 152H, 153H.	
(4) <b>Physics:</b> One of the following <b>groups</b> of courses (6 to 8 credits):	
(a) Lyman Briggs 273, 274.	
(b) Physics 231, 232, 251, 252.	
(c) Physics 183, 184.	
(d) Physics 181B, 182B, 251, 252.	
(e) Physics 231B, 232B, 251, 252.	
(f) Physics 183B, 184B.	
(g) Physics 193H, 294H.	
(5) <b>History, Philosophy and Sociology of Science:</b> A total of 11 or 12 credits from the courses in groups (a), (b), and (c) below. In addition to completing one course from each of the three groups, the student must complete <b>one</b> of the following courses from group (b) or group (c): English 483; History 425; Lyman Briggs 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 355.	
(a) One of the following courses: Lyman Briggs 133; Writing, Rhetoric and American Cultures 110, 115, 120, 125, 130, 135, 140, 145, 150, 195H.	
(b) One of the following courses: Lyman Briggs 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 355.	
(c) One of the following courses: Lyman Briggs 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 355, 490E; English 473A; History 425.	
Each of the following courses may be used to meet <b>either</b> requirement 3.a.(5)(b) <i>or</i> requirement 3.a.(5)(c), but not both of those requirements: Lyman Briggs 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 355.	
(6) <b>Senior Seminar:</b> Lyman Briggs 492 (4 credits).	
b. MAJOR OR COORDINATE MAJOR.	
Each student must complete the requirements of a Major or a Coordinate Major. The Major or Coordinate Major must be chosen	

from the lists of options below. **Both** the Major or Coordinate Major *and* the related courses must be approved by the student's academic advisor. With the approval of the appropriate Lyman Briggs College Curriculum Coordinator or Undergraduate Director, courses other than those that are listed as requirements for a Major or Coordinate Major may be used to satisfy degree requirements.

**Majors:**

- Biology
- Computer Science
- Earth Science
- Environmental Science and Management
- Physical Science
- History, Philosophy and Sociology of Science

**Coordinate Majors:**

- (1) College of Agriculture and Natural Resources:
  - Animal Science
  - Entomology
  - Fisheries and Wildlife
  - Food Science
- (2) College of Engineering:
  - Computer Science
  - Students are admitted to this Coordinate Major after they have reached junior standing and have met certain other requirements specified by Lyman Briggs College.
- (3) College of Natural Science:
  - Actuarial Science
  - Astrophysics
  - Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
  - Biochemistry/Biotechnology
  - Biological Science—Interdepartmental
  - Biomedical Laboratory Science
  - Chemical Physics
  - Chemistry
  - Computational Chemistry
  - Computational Mathematics
  - Diagnostic Molecular Science
  - Earth Science—Interdepartmental
  - Environmental Biology/Microbiology
  - Environmental Biology/Plant Biology
  - Environmental Biology/Zoology
  - Environmental Geosciences
  - Genomics and Molecular Genetics
  - Geological Sciences
  - Human Biology
  - Mathematics
  - Mathematics, Advanced
  - Microbiology
  - Neuroscience
  - Nutritional Sciences
  - Physical Science—Interdepartmental
  - Physics
  - Physiology
  - Plant Biology
  - Statistics
  - Zoology

**Majors**

	CREDITS
1. <b>Biology</b> .....	41
a. A minimum of 41 credits from the courses listed below including:	
(1) <b>Organic Chemistry</b> (6 credits):	
Both of the following courses:	
CEM 251 Organic Chemistry I. ....	3
CEM 252 Organic Chemistry II .....	3
(2) <b>Biochemistry</b> (4 to 6 credits):	
One of the following, either (a) or (b):	
(a) BMB 401 Comprehensive Biochemistry .....	4
(b) BMB 461 Advanced Biochemistry I. ....	3
BMB 462 Advanced Biochemistry II .....	3
(3) <b>Advanced Experiential Biology</b> (6 credits):	
The following course:	
LB 348 Research Experiences in Biology .....	3
At least 3 credits from the following:	
LB 490B Advanced Directed Study – Biology .....	1 to 4
LB 493 Field Experience .....	1 to 4
LB 494 Undergraduate Research .....	1 to 4
Other courses as approved by advisor.	
(4) <b>Integrative Biology</b> (16 credits):	
All of the following courses:	
IBIO 341 Fundamental Genetics .....	4
IBIO 355 Ecology .....	3
IBIO 445 Evolution (W) .....	3
MMG 301 Introductory Microbiology .....	3
MMG 409 Eukaryotic Cell Biology .....	3
(5) <b>Organismal Diversity</b> (3 or 4 credits):	
One of the following courses:	
ENT 404 Fundamentals of Entomology .....	3
ENT 422 Aquatic Entomology .....	3
ENT 470 General Nematology .....	3
FW 471 Ichthyology .....	4
IBIO 306 Invertebrate Biology .....	4

IBIO 328	Comparative Anatomy and Biology of Vertebrates (W)	4	
IBIO 360	Biology of Birds	4	
IBIO 365	Biology of Mammals	4	
IBIO 384	Biology of Amphibians and Reptiles (W)	4	
PLB 402	Biology of Fungi	4	
PLB 418	Plant Systematics	3	
PLB 424	Algal Biology	4	
	Other courses as approved by advisor.		
(6)	<i>Ecology, Evolution, and Behavioral Biology</i> (3 or 4 credits):		
	One of the following courses:		
CSS 442	Agricultural Ecology	3	
FW 417	Wetland Ecology and Management	3	
FW 420	Stream Ecology	3	
FW 431	Ecophysiology and Toxicology of Fishes	3	
FW 439	Conservation Ethics	3	
FW 444	Conservation Biology	3	
FW 463	Wildlife Disease Ecology	3	
FW 472	Limnology	3	
GLG 434	Evolutionary Paleobiology	4	
IBIO 303	Oceanography	4	
IBIO 313	Animal Behavior	3	
IBIO 415	Ecological Aspects of Animal Behavior (W)	3	
IBIO 440	Field Ecology and Evolution	4	
MMG 425	Microbial Ecology	3	
PLB 441	Plant Ecology	3	
PLB 443	Restoration Ecology	3	
(7)	<i>Cellular and Molecular Biology</i> (3 or 4 credits):		
	One of the following courses:		
FSC 440	Food Microbiology	3	
IBIO 320	Developmental Biology	4	
IBIO 408	Histology	4	
IBIO 425	Cells and Development (W)	4	
MMG 404	Human Genetics	3	
MMG 413	Virology	3	
MMG 421	Prokaryotic Cell Physiology	3	
MMG 425	Microbial Ecology	3	
MMG 431	Microbial Genetics	3	
MMG 433	Microbial Genomics	3	
MMG 445	Microbial Biotechnology (W)	3	
MMG 451	Immunology	3	
MMG 461	Molecular Pathogenesis	3	
MMG 463	Medical Microbiology	3	
PSL 310	Physiology for Pre-Health Professionals	4	
PSL 431	Human Physiology I	4	
	Other courses as approved by advisor.		
2.	<b>Computer Science</b>		30
a.	A minimum of 30 credits from the courses listed below including:		
(1)	All of the following courses (24 credits):		
CSE 231	Introduction to Programming I	4	
CSE 260	Discrete Structures in Computer Science	4	
CSE 320	Computer Organization and Architecture	3	
CSE 330	Algorithms and Data Structures	3	
CSE 410	Operating Systems	3	
CSE 460	Computability and Formal Language Theory	3	
LB 220	Calculus III	4	
(2)	At least two of the following courses (6 credits):		
CSE 420	Computer Architecture	3	
CSE 422	Computer Networks	3	
CSE 435	Software Engineering	3	
CSE 440	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence	3	
CSE 450	Translation of Programming Languages	3	
CSE 452	Organization of Programming Languages	3	
CSE 472	Computer Graphics	3	
CSE 480	Database Systems	3	
3.	<b>Earth Science</b>		27
a.	A minimum of 27 credits from the courses listed below including:		
(1)	At least 14 credits in courses at the 300–400 level.		
(2)	At least 8 credits in earth science courses outside the Department of Geological Sciences.		
(3)	At least <i>one</i> course in <b>each</b> of the following 5 earth science areas (15 to 22 credits):		
(a)	Astronomy and Astrophysics		
AST 207	The Science of Astronomy	3	
(b)	Geology of the Solid Earth		
GLG 201	The Dynamic Earth	4	
GLG 321	Mineralogy and Geochemistry	4	
GLG 351	Structural Geology and Tectonics	4	
GLG 361	Petrology (W)	4	
GLG 401	Plate Tectonics (W)	4	
GLG 481	Reservoirs and Aquifers	3	
GLG 491	Field Geology – Summer Camp (W)	6	
(c)	Paleobiology		
GLG 431	Sedimentology and Stratigraphy (W)	4	
GLG 433	Vertebrate Paleontology	4	
GLG 434	Evolutionary Paleobiology	4	
PLB 335	Plants Through Time	3	
(d)	Environmental Geosciences and Meteorology		
GEO 203	Introduction to Meteorology	3	
GEO 401	Geography of Plants of North America	3	
GEO 402	Agricultural Climatology	3	
GEO 405	Weather Analysis and Forecasting	4	
GLG 421	Environmental Geochemistry	4	
(e)	Geomorphology		
CSS 470	Soil Resources	3	
GEO 407	Regional Geomorphology of the United States	3	
GEO 408	Soil Geomorphology Field Study	4	
	Geography 206 and 206L, combined, may be substituted for one of the courses listed above.		
4.	<b>Environmental Sciences and Management</b>		41
a.	A minimum of 41 credits from the courses listed below including:		
(1)	One of the following <b>groups</b> of courses (8 or 10 credits):		
(a)	LB 118 Calculus I	5	
STT 231	Statistics for Scientists	3	
(b)	MTH 132 Calculus I	3	
MTH 133	Calculus II	4	
STT 231	Statistics for Scientists	3	
(2)	One course from each of the following 7 areas (24 to 26 credits):		
(a)	Ecology:		
ZOL 355	Ecology	3	
ZOL 355L	Ecology Laboratory	1	
(b)	Geology:		
GLG 201	The Dynamic Earth	4	
(c)	Taxonomy or Phylogenetic Biology:		
ENT 404	Fundamentals of Entomology	4	
PLB 418	Plant Systematics	3	
ZOL 306	Invertebrate Biology	4	
(d)	Biochemistry:		
BMB 401	Basic Biochemistry	4	
(e)	Aquatic Systems:		
FW 420	Stream Ecology	3	
(f)	Microbiology:		
MMG 301	Introductory Microbiology	3	
(g)	Economics:		
EC 201	Introduction to Microeconomics	3	
(3)	One course from <b>each</b> of the following three groups (9 to 11 credits):		
(a)	FOR 464 Forest Resource Economics (W)	3	
SOC 452	Environment and Society	3	
(b)	FW 424 Population Analysis and Management	4	
FW 444	Conservation Biology	3	
(c)	FW 410 Upland Ecosystem Management	3	
FW 417	Wetland Ecology and Management	3	
	Students who elect Sociology 452 must also complete Sociology 452L to meet requirement 4. a. (3) (a).		
5.	<b>Physical Science</b>		31
a.	A minimum of 31 credits from the courses listed below including:		
(1)	The following course:		
LB 220	Calculus III	4	
(2)	At least 27 credits in chemistry courses, in physics courses, or in chemistry and physics courses approved by the student's academic advisor. At least 20 of the 27 credits must be in courses at the 300 level or above, and at least 14 of the 27 credits must be in <b>either</b> chemistry courses <b>or</b> physics courses and must meet the conditions specified below:		
	<b>For students who elect to complete at least 14 credits in chemistry courses</b> , at least 4 of the 14 credits must be laboratory credits at the 300–400 level.		
	<b>For students who elect to complete at least 14 credits in physics courses</b> , at least 6 of the 14 credits must be in modern physics, and at least 3 of the 14 credits must be laboratory credits.		
6.	<b>History, Philosophy and Sociology of Science</b>		24
a.	A minimum of 24 credits in 300–400 level science and technology studies courses approved by the student's academic advisor. Courses in the Lyman Briggs College CORE PROGRAM and Lyman Briggs 492 may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Courses outside Lyman Briggs College may be used to satisfy this requirement.		

## MINOR IN HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY AND SOCIOLOGY OF SCIENCE

The Minor in History, Philosophy and Sociology of Science, which is administered by Lyman Briggs College, is designed to increase students understanding of the epistemological foundations and ethical elements of science while learning more of the history of some areas of science and appreciating the complex ways that science is connected to other social institutions and practices.

The minor is available as an elective to students who are enrolled in a bachelor's degree program in Lyman Briggs College at Michigan State University. Students majoring in History, Philosophy and Sociology of Science in Lyman Briggs College are not eligible for the minor. With the approval of the college, the courses

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that are used to satisfy the minor may also be used to satisfy the requirements for the bachelor's degree.

Students who plan to complete the requirements for the minor should consult an undergraduate advisor in Lyman Briggs College.

**Requirements for the Minor in History, Philosophy and Sociology of Science**

		CREDITS
Complete 15 to 16 credits from the following:		
1. Two of the following courses (8 credits):		
LB	330	Topics in History, Philosophy, and Sociology of Science (W) . . . . . 4
LB	331	Literature and Science (W) . . . . . 4
LB	332	Technology and Culture (W) . . . . . 4
LB	333	Topics in History of Science (W) . . . . . 4
LB	334	Science, Technology, and Public Policy (W) . . . . . 4
LB	335	The Natural Environment: Perceptions and Practices (W) . . . . . 4
LB	336	Gender, Sexuality, Science, Technology (W) . . . . . 4
LB	355	Philosophy of Technology (W) . . . . . 4
LB	490E	Advanced Directed Study in History, Philosophy, and Sociology of Science (W) . . . . . 4
2. Two of the following courses (7 or 8 credits):		
ENG	473A	Literature and Medicine . . . . . 3
ESA	430	Environmental and Natural Resource Law . . . . . 3
ESA	440	Environmental and Natural Resource Policy in Michigan . . . . . 3
GEO	435	Geography of Health and Disease . . . . . 3
HST	416	History of the Atomic Bomb and Nuclear Culture . . . . . 3
HST	420	History of Sexuality since the 18th Century . . . . . 3
HST	425	American and European Health Care since 1800 . . . . . 4
HRT	486	Biotechnology in Agriculture: Applications and Ethical Issues . . . . . 3
LB	330	Topics in History, Philosophy, and Sociology of Science (W) . . . . . 4
LB	331	Literature and Science (W) . . . . . 4
LB	332	Technology and Culture (W) . . . . . 4
LB	333	Topics in History of Science (W) . . . . . 4
LB	334	Science, Technology, and Public Policy (W) . . . . . 4
LB	335	The Natural Environment: Perceptions and Practices (W) . . . . . 4
LB	336	Gender, Sexuality, Science, Technology (W) . . . . . 4
LB	355	Philosophy of Technology (W) . . . . . 4
LB	490E	Advanced Directed Study in History, Philosophy, and Sociology of Science (W) . . . . . 4
MC	350	Evolution and Society . . . . . 4
MC	351	Science and Social Policy . . . . . 4
MC	459	Science, Technology, Environment and Public Policy Capstone (N) . . . . . 3
PHL	380	Nature of Science . . . . . 3
PHL	462	Philosophy of Mind . . . . . 3
PHL	480	Philosophy of Science . . . . . 4
PHL	484	Philosophy of Biological Science . . . . . 3
PHL	485	Philosophy of Social Science . . . . . 3

SOC	368	Science, Technology, and Society . . . . .	3
SOC	452	Environment and Society . . . . .	3
SOC	452L	Internship in Environment and Society . . . . .	1
SOC	475	Sociology of Health Care Systems . . . . .	3
SOC	476	Social Psychology of Health . . . . .	3
ZOL	446	Environmental Issues and Public Policy . . . . .	3

Courses used to fulfill requirement 1. above may not be used to fulfill this requirement. Other courses may be used in fulfillment of this requirement with the approval of the student's academic advisor.

**LYMAN BRIGGS COLLEGE 3 + 4 OPTION**

Lyman Briggs College, in collaboration with the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine, offers an opportunity for selected Lyman Briggs College students to earn a baccalaureate degree after satisfactory completion of a minimum of 90 credits at Michigan State University and a minimum of 30 credits through subsequent enrollment at the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Only students who matriculate as first-year students at Lyman Briggs College may pursue this option. Students interested in this option should consult with their college academic advisor during their first year in the college.

Admission to the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine component of this program is limited to a small number of students who complete the specified university and college requirements and who fulfill admission requirements for the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine program.

All students in this program will complete a minimum of 90 credits at Michigan State University in the Lyman Briggs College Biology major. The requirements for the program are as follows:

1. Completion of all the Michigan State University graduation requirements, including integrative studies and general education.
2. Completion of the Lyman Briggs College graduation requirements including mathematics, chemistry, biology, physics, and history, philosophy and sociology of science.
3. Be pursuing the curriculum for the Lyman Briggs College Biology major.
4. Completion of a minimum of 30 credits at the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine in the preclerkship component of the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree program.

Upon satisfactory completion of the specified 120 credits, students in this program will be eligible for the Bachelor of Science degree in Lyman Briggs College with a major in Biology.