

BIOCHEMISTRY, B.S. (CALS)

ADVISING AND CAREERS

HOW TO SEEK ADVISING

- To schedule an appointment with the advisor, use Starfish (<https://advising.wisc.edu/facstaff/starfish/starfish-student-resources/>).
- Send an email with brief questions to biochemmicrobio-advisor@wisc.edu.
- Drop-in advising hours for quick (10–15 minute) questions, on a first-come, first-serve basis, are posted on the Biochemistry / Microbiology Undergraduate Advising Hub website (<https://biochemmicrobio.wisc.edu/>) each semester.

CAREER EXAMPLES

- Take your skills to a rewarding career in product development, quality control, hospitals, biotechnology, university labs, pharmaceuticals, forensics, and more. Possibilities at top organizations and leading companies include positions such as protein purification scientist, lab manager, medical scribe, clinical research coordinator, and food safety and quality chemist.
- Pursue a professional degree in medical, dental, or veterinary school, using your background in biochemistry to aid your admission and success.
- Build on your research experience and continue graduate studies in biochemistry or a related field to shape a career in academia as a professor or in industry.
- Use your science background to inform patent law, science policy and ethics, sales and marketing for science and technology companies, scientific article publishing, and related fields.

CALS CAREER RESOURCES

CALS Career Services provides expertise to support students and alumni of the college as they explore, experience and achieve their career goals. In short, CALS Career Services helps students in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences discover themselves, find opportunities, and develop the skills they need for success after graduation.

CALS Career Services can also assist students in career advising, résumé and cover letter writing, networking opportunities, and interview skills, as well as assisting undergraduates to begin their career exploration early in their undergraduate career.

Students should set up their profiles in Handshake (<https://wisc.joinhandshake.com/login/>) to take care of everything they need to explore career events, manage their campus interviews, and apply to jobs and internships from 200,000+ employers around the country.

- CALS Career Services (<https://cals.wisc.edu/academics/undergraduate-students/career-services/>)
- Set up a career advising appointment (<https://cals.wisc.edu/academics/undergraduate-students/career-services/advising/>)

- INTER-LS 210 (<https://guide.wisc.edu/search/?P=INTER-LS%20210>) L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit, targeted to first- and second-year students)
- INTER-LS 215 (<https://guide.wisc.edu/search/?P=INTER-LS%20215>) Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Com B General Education Requirement)
- Handshake (<https://wisc.joinhandshake.com/login/>)