

BIOLOGY, BA (L&S)

FOUR-YEAR PLAN

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This Four-Year Plan is only one way a student may complete an L&S degree with this major. Many factors can affect student degree planning, including placement scores, credit for transferred courses, credits earned by examination, and individual scholarly interests. In addition, many students have commitments (e.g., athletics, honors, research, student organizations, study abroad, work and volunteer experiences) that necessitate they adjust their plans accordingly. Informed students engage in their own unique Wisconsin Experience by consulting their academic advisors, Guide, DARS, and Course Search & Enroll for assistance making and adjusting their plan.

Four-year Plans for the Biology major are designed to support biological science major exploration and planning your academic career. Your specific program of study could, and probably will, look different. You should customize the Four-Year Plan to fit your unique interests at UW-Madison. Consult with your advisor about the best plan for you.

SAMPLE BIOLOGY MAJOR FOUR-YEAR PLAN

Freshman

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 103	4 CHEM 104	5
MATH 221 ¹	5 STAT 371 ¹	3
Communication A	3 Literature Breadth	3
Social Science Breadth	3 Ethnic Studies/Social Science Breadth	4
	15	15

Sophomore

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BIOLOGY/BOTANY/ ZOOLOGY 151 ²	5 BIOLOGY/BOTANY/ ZOOLOGY 152 ²	5
CHEM 343	3 CHEM 344	2
Literature Breadth	3 CHEM 345	3
Social Science Breadth	3 Humanities Breadth	3
INTER-LS 210	1 Elective	2
	15	15

Junior

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Foundation Course for Major	3 Upper-Level Breadth in the Major	4
PHYSICS 103	4 PHYSICS 104	4
Social Science Breadth	3 Humanities Breadth	3
Electives	5 Electives	4
Declare the Major		
	15	15

Senior	Credits Spring	Credits
Fall		
Upper-Level Breadth in the Major	3 Upper-Level Breadth in the Major	6
Upper-Level Breadth in the Major Lab or Field Research	3 Additional Lab or Field Research	2
Electives	9 Electives	7
	15	15

Total Credits 120

¹ Follow the guidance of Math placement scores when choosing a Mathematics and/or Statistics course.

² Students may complete one of three Introductory Biology sequences. See the Requirements tab for more information.