1. Connect and describe the concepts that make up the structure and function of all living things through the principles of genetics, cellular biology, and physiology.

2. Demonstrate an understanding of the diversity of life through the principles of evolution.

3. Make connections between organisms, their habitats, and systems through the principles of ecology.

4. Make connections between the biological sciences to humans and ecological systems and appreciate the complexity of these systems.

5. Identify, think through, and solve a problem using quantitative reasoning and critical thinking skills.

6. Develop an ability to plan and carry out scientific experiments by obtaining and evaluating scientific information and effectively communicating information through oral and written presentations.

7. Understand current issues in biology and apply scientific knowledge to societal issues.

8. Make connections between self and natural world, and personal responsibility with social issues.

9. Develop a sense of competence in the field of study through research experiences and written and oral communication of findings.