

Biochemistry



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- This is a suggested schedule of courses based on degree requirements. The actual degree plan may differ depending on the course of study selected, the number of starting credits, or the starting admission point. Please track your degree audit.
- This guide is not a substitute for academic advising or degree audit review ([degree audit states all requirements for degree completion](#)). Contact your academic advisor with questions about scheduling, unique interests, or degree requirements.
- Applicants who are generally competitive to Chemistry will have the following: 1. All prerequisites completed or 1-2 in progress by time of review, 2. A 3.0 grade or higher in each prerequisite, 3. Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, 4. A positive grade trend with few to no repeats. However, students who satisfactorily meet prerequisites are typically, not always, offered admissions into biochemistry.

	Autumn	Winter	Spring
Year 1	◊ STMATH 124 - Calculus with Analytical Geometry I	◊ STMATH 125 - Calculus with Analytical Geometry II	◊ STMATH 126 Calculus with Analytical Geometry III
	◊ B CHEM 143 + 144 General Chemistry I + Lab	◊ B CHEM 153 + 154 General Chemistry II + Lab	◊ B CHEM 163 + 164 General Chemistry III + Lab
	❖ A & H	B WRIT 134 Composition	B WRIT 135 Research Writing

Calculus I and II (STMATH 124 and 125) are prerequisites for Calculus-based Physics I and II (BPHYS 121 and 122), respectively. General Chemistry III (BCHEM 163 + 164) is a prerequisite for Organic Chemistry I (BCHEM 237).

	Autumn	Winter	Spring
Year 2	✓ PHYS 121 – Mechanics or algebra-based BPHYS 114+117	✓ PHYS 122 – Electromagnetism or algebra-based BPHYS 115+118	✓ PHYS 123 – Waves or algebra-based BPHYS 116+119
	◊ B CHEM 237 Organic Chemistry	✓ B CHEM 238 Organic Chemistry	✓ B CHEM 239 Organic Chemistry lab
	✓ STMATH 207/208/224/341	✓ B CHEM 241 Organic Chemistry lab	✓ B CHEM 242 Organic Chemistry
		B CHEM 294 Chemistry Seminar (1)	A & H

Organic Chemistry III and its lab (BCHEM 239 + 242) are prerequisites for most 300- and 400-level BCHEM coursework. Calculus-based or algebra-based Physics III and Upper Division math are prerequisites for the Physical Chemistry sequence in junior year.

	Autumn	Winter	Spring
Year 3	B BIO 180 Introductory Biology I	B BIO 200 Introductory Biology II	A & H
	✓ BCHEM 316 (4 credits) + 317 lab (3 credits)	B CHEM 426 Instrumental Analysis	BST 301 Scientific Writing
	B CHEM 401 Physical Chemistry I (4)	B CHEM 402 Physical Chemistry II (4)	B CHEM 404 Physical Chemistry Lab (4)

	Autumn	Winter	Spring
Year 4	B CHEM 364 Biochemistry I	B CHEM 365 Biochemistry II	Upper Division Chemistry Elective
	B CHEM 366 Biochemistry Lab (3)	Upper Division Chemistry Elective	B CHEM 375 Molecular Biology
	B CHEM 495 Investigative Chemistry I (3)	SSc (Diversity Requirement Course)	SSc
	SSc	Any free electives to reach 180 credits	Any free electives to reach 180 credits

Intro Biology III (BIO 220) is OPTIONAL (not required for the degree, but may be required for graduate programs).

- ◊ **Prerequisite: Must be completed prior to applying for a major.**
 - ✓ Milestones: Courses and special requirements necessary to timely progress through and complete a major.
 - ❖ May be fulfilled with Discovery Core if Discovery Core is Arts and Humanities (A&H)
- All classes are 5 credits unless followed by a parenthesis with a number, indicating the number of credits.
Refer to the time schedule for up to date course offerings; including quarters, days and times

This Map is a suggested sequence of the current curriculum which may be altered to carry out the academic objectives of the University. The University specifically reserves the right to change the student's current map at any time within the student's period of study.

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