MASTER OF BIOTECHNOLOGY IN BIOTECHNOLOGY

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Residence

In partial fulfillment of the residence requirement for the degree of Master of Biotechnology, the student must complete 9 credit hours during one regular semester or one 10-week summer semester in resident study at Texas A&M University. A minimum of 1 credit hour must be in a non-distance education delivery mode. Semesters during which the student is enrolled in all distance education coursework will not count toward fulfillment of the residence requirement. Upon recommendation of the student's advisory committee and with approval of the Graduate and Professional School, a student may be granted exemption from this requirement. Such a petition must be approved, however, prior to the student's registration for the final 9 credit hours of required coursework.

Students who are employed full-time while completing their degree may fulfill total residence requirements by completion of less-than-full time course loads each semester. In order to be considered for this, the student is required to submit a Petition for Waivers and Exceptions along with verification of his/her employment to the Graduate and Professional School.

See Residence Requirements (http://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/academic-expectations-general-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext).

Time Limit

All degree requirements for a master's degree must be completed within a period of seven consecutive years. Coursework which is over seven calendar years old may not be applied to a master's degree. Time limits for coursework on the degree plan also apply to transfer courses.

Scholastic Requirements

To maintain good academic standing, a MBIOT student must maintain a minimum cumulative 3.000 GPA each semester. If a student fails to attain a cumulative 3.000 GPA, he or she is placed on academic probation. A student on academic probation must raise his/her cumulative GPA to 3.000 or above by the end of the next 9 hours of coursework. If this requirement is not met, the Program Chair will recommend that the Graduate and Professional School block the student from further enrollment. If a student is blocked from further enrollment in the MBIOT program, he or she shall not be permitted to enroll in other MBIOT courses.

Foreign Languages

No specific language requirement exists for the Master of Biotechnology degree.

Internship or Practicum

A student who undertakes a professional internship of no less than 375 hours in partial fulfillment of master's degree requirements after completing all course requirements for the master's degree must return to the campus for the final examination. The final examination is not to be administered until all other requirements for the degree, including any internship, have been substantially completed. A student on academic probation will not be allowed to participate in an internship.

Application for Degree

For information on applying for your degree, please visit the Graduation (http://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/academic-expectations-general-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext) section.