

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES - BS

Program Requirements

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
BIOL 111	Introductory Biology I ¹	4
CHEM 119	Fundamentals of Chemistry I ¹	4
Mathematics ²		3-4
Social and behavioral sciences (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences) ³		3
Semester Credit Hours		14

Spring

BIOL 112	Introductory Biology II ¹	4
CHEM 120	Fundamentals of Chemistry II ¹	4
Communication (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication) ³		3
Mathematics ²		3-4
Directed electives ⁴		1
Semester Credit Hours		15

Second Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
CHEM 257	Organic Chemistry I - Structure and Function ¹	4
PHYS 201	College Physics ¹	4
American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ⁵		3
Creative arts (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts)		3
Directed electives ⁴		3
Semester Credit Hours		17

Spring

CHEM 258	Organic Chemistry II - Reactivity and Applications ¹	4
PHYS 202	College Physics ¹	4
American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ⁵		3
Language, philosophy and culture (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3
Directed electives ⁴		3
Semester Credit Hours		17

Third Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
BICH 409	Principles of Biochemistry	3
BIMS 320/ GENE 320	Biomedical Genetics	3

BIOL 319	Integrated Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
POLS 206	American National Government	3
Directed electives ⁴		1

Semester Credit Hours 14

Spring

BIOL 320	Integrated Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
VTPB 405	Biomedical Microbiology	4
Communication (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication) ³		3
POLS 207	State and Local Government	3
Directed electives ⁴		3

Semester Credit Hours 17

Fourth Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
STAT 302 or STAT 312	Statistical Methods ⁶ or Statistics for Biology	3
Directed electives ⁴		7
General elective ⁷		3

Semester Credit Hours 13

Spring

Directed electives ⁴		7
General electives ⁷		6

Semester Credit Hours 13

Total Semester Credit Hours 120

¹ Common Body of Knowledge Courses (CBK) must be completed with a grade of C or better. All CBK courses must be complete prior to advancing to the third and fourth year upper-division requirements.

² Complete 6-8 hours of mathematics core courses as follows:

- Select one of the following: MATH 142, MATH 147, MATH 151, MATH 171. This is a CBK course and must be completed with a grade of C or better.
- Select one of the following: MATH 140, MATH 148, MATH 150, MATH 152, MATH 168, MATH 172, STAT 201.

³ Professional school prerequisites and entrance exams often recommend or require specific courses that can fulfill component areas of the University Core Curriculum, including 3 or 6 hours chosen from ENGL 103, ENGL 104, ENGL 203, and ENGL 210, and 3 or 6 hours of social and behavioral sciences courses such as PBSI 107 and SOCI 205.

⁴ A list of approved courses that fulfill the directed elective hours is available below and on the BIMS Program website.

⁵ HIST 105 and HIST 106 are recommended, however students may choose from other American History core courses.

⁶ Students who complete STAT 201 in Mathematics core must take STAT 312.

⁷ Select any course 100-499 except MATH 102-104 (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/math/>); only 1 credit KINE 199 may be used.

When satisfying the required 25 hours of BIMS directed electives and 9 hours of general electives: Any combination of variable credit 285, 291, 484, 485, and/or 491 courses may not exceed 9 credit hours.

BIMS 484 on its own or in combination with other variable credit courses may not exceed 6 total credit hours. Any combination of 289/489 courses may not exceed 9 credit hours. Restrictions will be enforced by the BIMS academic advising office.

A minimum of two courses taken to complete the minimum hours of BIMS directed electives must be designated to fulfill the university's writing and oral communication graduation requirement.

A minimum of 36 hours of 3/400 level coursework must be completed in residence at Texas A&M University to earn a degree.

All students are required to complete 3 hours of International and Cultural Diversity (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/>) credit (ICD) and 3 hours of Cultural Discourse (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/cultural-discourse-requirements/>) (CD) credits. A course satisfying a core category, a college department requirement, or a free elective can be used to satisfy this requirement. Select in consultation with academic advisor.

All students must complete the Foreign Language requirement: two units of the same foreign language at the high school level or a two course sequence of the same foreign language at the college level. Please see the university catalog "Requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree" for further details.

Directed Electives

Biomedical Science (BIMS) directed electives are courses that are specifically approved for the curriculum. A student must choose 25 semester credits from the following list of approved courses. The list of approved BIMS directed electives will also be available on the BIMS Program website:

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
ANSC 107	General Animal Science	3
ANSC 108	General Animal Science Laboratory	1
ANSC 210	Companion Animal Science	3
ANSC 318	Animal Feeds and Feeding	3
ANSC 320	Animal Nutrition and Feeding	3
ANSC 303	Principles of Animal Nutrition	3
ANSC 326/ FSTC 326	Food Bacteriology	3
ANSC 327/ FSTC 327	Food Bacteriology Lab	1
BICH 412	Biochemistry Laboratory I	1
BICH 414	Biochemical Techniques I	2
BICH 431/ GENE 431	Molecular Genetics	3
BICH 432/ GENE 432	Laboratory in Molecular Genetics	2
BIMS 110	One Health in Action	1
BIMS 125	Animals in Society	1
BIMS 201	Introduction to Phenotypic Expression in the Context of Human Medicine	2
BIMS 289	Special Topics in...	1-4
BIMS 291	Research	0-4

BIMS 380	Equine-Assisted Activities and Therapies - Best Practices	3
BIMS 481	Seminar	1
BIMS 484	Internship	0-3
BIMS 485	Directed Studies	0-4
BIMS 489	Special Topics in...	1-4
BIMS 491	Research	0-4
BIMS 405/ GENE 405	Mammalian Genetics	3
BIMS 421/ GENE 421	Advanced Human Genetics	3
BIOL 401	Critical Writing in Biology	1
BIOL 402	Communicating Biological Research to the Public	1
BIOL 403	Medical Narratives	1
COMM 370	Health Communication	3
ENTO 208	Veterinary Entomology	2
ENTO 209	Veterinary Entomology Laboratory	1
ENTO 210	Global Public Health Entomology	3
ENTO 423	Medical Entomology	2
ENTO 425	Disease Ecology	3
ENTO 427	Medical Entomology Laboratory (co-requisite for ENTO 423)	1
ENTO 431/ FIVS 431	The Science of Forensic Entomology	3
ENTO 432/ FIVS 432	Applied Forensic Entomology	1
MKTG 443/ PHLT 426	The Business of Healthcare	3
NRSC 401/ VIBS 401	Developmental Neurotoxicology	3
NUTR 222	Nutrition for Health and Health Care	3
POSC 454	Animal Welfare	3
URPN 370	Health Systems Planning	3
VIBS 111	Biodefense, Biosecurity and Bioterrorism	1
VIBS 201/ NRSC 201	History of Neuroscience	1
VIBS 204	Fundamentals of Food Toxicology and Safety	3
VIBS 210	Twenty-first Century Global One Health	1
VIBS 211	Twenty-first Century Biological Threats	1
VIBS 222	Great Poisonings of the World	3
VIBS 243	Introductory Mammalian Histology	2
VIBS 285	Directed Studies	0-4
VIBS 289	Special Topics in...	1-4
VIBS 305	Biomedical Anatomy	4
VIBS 310	Biomedical Writing	1
VIBS 311	Biomedical Explorations through Narrative	1
VIBS 343	Histology	4
VIBS 401/ NRSC 401	Developmental Neurotoxicology	3

VIBS 408	Neuroscience and Religion	3	VTPP 224	In Vitro Experimentation in Physiology Research	3
VIBS 411	Tumor Cell Biology and Carcinogenesis	3	VTPP 232	Theoretical Foundations of Health Disparities Research	3
VIBS 413	Introduction to Epidemiology	3	VTPP 233	Health Disparities Research Parameters and Analysis	3
VIBS 422	Endocrine Toxicology	4	VTPP 234	Design of Models for Physiology Research	3
VIBS 443	Biology of Mammalian Cells and Tissues	4	VTPP 235	Analysis and Validation of Models for Physiology Research	3
VIBS 445	Learning and Applying Peer Teaching Principles in Biomedical Anatomy	3	VTPP 281	Seminar	4
VIBS 447	Neurophysiology of Music	2	VTPP 285	Directed Studies	0-4
VIBS 456	Science in Cinema and Society	3	VTPP 289	Special Topics in...	1-4
VIBS 485	Directed Studies	0-4	VTPP 291	Research	0-4
VIBS 489	Special Topics in...	1-4	VTPP 401/ BMEN 400	History of Human and Veterinary Medicine in Europe	4
VIBS 277/ NRSC 277	Essential Neuroscience - From Molecules to Nervous Systems	3	VTPP 404	Food Toxicology and Safety	3
VIBS 407/ NRSC 407	Core Ideas in Neuroscience	2	VTPP 420	Applied Pharmacology	2
VIBS 424/ VTPP 424	Biomedical Neuroendocrinology and Endocrine Disorders	3	VTPP 423	Biomedical Physiology I	4
VIBS 426/ ENTO 426	Methods in Vector-Borne Disease Ecology	3	VTPP 424/ VIBS 424	Biomedical Neuroendocrinology and Endocrine Disorders	3
VIBS 450/ NRSC 450	Mammalian Functional Neuroanatomy	4	VTPP 425	Pharmacology	3
VLCS 422	Equine Disease and Epidemiology	3	VTPP 427	Applied Biomedical Physiology	3
VLCS 485	Directed Studies	0-4	VTPP 429	Introduction to Toxicology	3
VSCS 485	Directed Studies	0-4	VTPP 438	Analysis of Genomic Signals	3
VTPB 212	Genetics in the News	3	VTPP 444	Practicum in Biomedical Research	3
VTPB 221	Great Diseases of the World	3	VTPP 452	Fetal and Embryo Physiology	3
VTPB 285	Directed Studies	0-4	VTPP 481	Seminar	4
VTPB 289	Special Topics in...	1-4	VTPP 485	Directed Studies	0-4
VTPB 303	Medical Communication in the International Community	3	VTPP 489	Special Topics in...	1-4
VTPB 407	Advanced Veterinary Microbiology Laboratory	1-3	VTPP 491	Research	0-4
VTPB 408	Clinical Microbiology	3			
VTPB 409	Introduction to Immunology	3			
VTPB 410	Cell Mechanisms of Disease	3			
VTPB 411	One Health and Tropical Ecology	3			
VTPB 415	Immunogenetics and Comparative Immunology	3			
VTPB 438	Biomedical Virology	3			
VTPB 485	Directed Studies	0-4			
VTPB 489	Special Topics in...	1-4			
VTPB 301/ RWF 309	Wildlife Diseases	3			
VTPB 460	Mammalian Cell Pathobiology	3			
VTPB 487	Biomedical Parasitology	4			
VTPP 123	Foundations of Physiology	3			
VTPP 207	Methodologies of Physiology Education Research	3			
VTPP 208	Analysis and Evaluation of Physiology Education	3			
VTPP 223	Design of Experiments for Physiology Research	3			