BIOLOGY - FIELD ECOLOGY

Bachelor of Science - Biology; Field Ecology Concentration

College Humanities & Sciences

Degree Specific Credits: 69
Required Cumulative GPA: 2.0
Catalog Year: 2017-2018

Note: The Field Ecology Concentration is for students interested in field-based ecology. Students with this concentration spend one or two summers taking field courses at the Flathead Lake Biological Station (http://flbs.umt.edu). This concentration is a graduate prep program, and is for students interested in academia or employment at a governmental, private or non-profit agency.

General Education Requirements

Information regarding these requirements can be found in the General Education Section (http://catalog.umt.edu/academics/general-education-requirements) of the catalog.

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Biology/Microbiology Lower Division Core

Rule: All of the following courses are required.

Note: The lower division core should be completed before attempting most upper division major courses.

AP Biology credit may be substituted for either BIOB 160N/BIOB 161N or BIOB 170N/BIOB 171N.

BIOB 160N Principles of Living Systems 3
BIOB 161N Prncpls of Living Systems Lab 1
BIOB 170N Prncips Biological Diversity 3
BIOB 171N Prncpls Biological Dvrsty Lab 2
BIOB 260 Cellular and Molecular Biology 4
BIOB 272 Genetics and Evolution 4
Total Hours 17
Minimum Required Grade: C-

Upper Division Core Courses Required for the Field Ecology Concentration

Select one of the following: 5

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<td>Field Ecology (at Flathead Lake Biological Station)</td>
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<td>&amp; BIOE 371</td>
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Total Hours 5
Minimum Required Grade: C-

Additional Upper Division Major Courses Required for the Field Ecology Concentration

Rule: Complete a minimum of 8 credits of Upper Division Biology or Microbiology, with at least one course from each subcategory

Minimum Required Grade: C-

8 Total Credits Required

Evolution Course Requirement

Rule: Complete at least one evolutionary biology course from the following list

Select at least one of the following: 3

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<td>Phylogenics and Evolution</td>
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<td>BIOB 486</td>
<td>Genomics</td>
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<td>BIOE 406</td>
<td>Behavior &amp; Evolution</td>
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<td>BIOL 484</td>
<td>Plant Evolution</td>
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Total Hours 3
Minimum Required Grade: C-

-Ology Course Requirement

Select at least one of the following: 3-5

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<td>BIOM 427</td>
<td>General Parasitology</td>
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<td>BIOO 320</td>
<td>General Botany</td>
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<td>BIOO 462</td>
<td>Entomology</td>
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<td>Ornithology</td>
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<td>Mammalogy</td>
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Total Hours 3-5
Minimum Required Grade: C-
Ecology Requirement at the Flathead Lake Biological Station

Rule: Complete either the Aquatic Emphasis or the Terrestrial Emphasis

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Aquatic Emphasis

Rule: All of the following courses are required for the Aquatic Emphasis

- BIOE 439 Stream Ecology 3
- BIOE 440 Conservation Ecology 3
- BIOE 451 Landscape Ecology 3
- BIOE 453 Ecology of Small & Large Lakes 3
- BIOL 492 Seminars in Ecol & Res Man 1

Total Hours 13

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Terrestrial Emphasis

Rule: All of the following courses are required for the Terrestrial Emphasis

- BIOE 416 Alpine Ecology 3
- BIOE 440 Conservation Ecology 3
- BIOE 451 Landscape Ecology 3
- BIOE 458 Forest and Grassland Ecol 3
- BIOL 492 Seminars in Ecol & Res Man 1

Total Hours 13

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Required Courses Outside of the Major

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Mathematics - Calculus

Rule: Required

- M 162 Applied Calculus 4
- or M 171 Calculus I 4

Total Hours 4

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Mathematics - Statistics

Select one semester or a full year of statistics from the following:

One Semester:
- STAT 216 Introduction to Statistics 4

Full Year:
- STAT 451 Statistical Methods I
- & STAT 452 and Statistical Methods II
- STAT 457 Computer Data Analysis I
- & STAT 458 and Computer Data Analysis II

Total Hours 4-8

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Chemistry

Select either one or two years of chemistry from the following:

One Year:
- CHMY 121N Introduction to General Chemistry
- CHMY 123 Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry

Two Years:
- CHMY 141N College Chemistry I
- CHMY 142N College Chemistry I Lab
- CHMY 143N College Chemistry II
- CHMY 144N College Chemistry II Lab
- CHMY 221 Organic Chemistry I
- & CHMY 222 and Organic Chemistry I Lab
- CHMY 223 Organic Chemistry II
- & CHMY 224 and Organic Chemistry II Lab

Total Hours 8-20

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Physics

Select one of the following physics sequences:

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Algebra- and Trigonometry-based:
- PHSX 205N College Physics I
- PHSX 206N and College Physics I Laboratory
- PHSX 207N College Physics II
- PHSX 208N and College Physics II Laboratory

Calculus-based:
- PHSX 215N Fund of Physics w/Calc I
- & PHSX 216N and Physics Laboratory I w/Calc
- PHSX 217N Fund of Physics w/Calc II
- & PHSX 218N and Physics Laboratory II w/Calc

Total Hours 10

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Advanced College Writing Requirement

Rule: Complete the equivalent of a full writing course (either three 1/3 writing courses or one 2/3 writing course + one 1/3 writing course or one complete writing course)

Note: To meet the Advanced College Writing Requirement, Biology students take 2 or 3 partial writing courses (either three 1/3 writing courses or one 1/3 writing course and one 2/3 writing course) or one complete writing course. The Field Ecology concentration requires BIOE 371 or BIOE 342 (both 2/3 writing courses). The Advanced College Writing Requirement is completed with one additional course, chosen from any of the following.

Minimum Required Grade: C-

1/3 Advanced Writing Courses

- BCH 482 Advanced Biochemistry II 3
- BIOB 410 Immunology 3
- BIOB 425 Adv Cell & Molecular Biology 3
- BIOB 483 Phylogenics and Evolution 3
- BIOE 403 Vert Design & Evolution 5
- BIOE 409 Behavior & Evolution Discussion 1
- BIOE 428 Freshwater Ecology 5
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<td>Medical Bacteriology &amp; Mycology</td>
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<td>BIOO 320</td>
<td>General Botany</td>
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<td>BIOO 434</td>
<td>Plant Physiology Lab</td>
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<td>BIOO 470</td>
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**2/3 Advanced Writing Courses**

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<td>Biochemistry Research Lab</td>
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<td>BCH 499</td>
<td>Senior Thesis/Capstone</td>
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<td>BIOB 411</td>
<td>Immunology Laboratory</td>
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**Complete Advanced Writing Course**

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**Exception to the Modern/Classical Languages Requirement**

**Rule:** Choose one of the following Math courses

**Note:** The Division of Biological Sciences has been granted an exception to the Modern/Classical Language Requirement. Either of these Calculus courses (required by the major) will satisfy this requirement.

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Total Hours 4

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