Biology Minor

Biology is the study of life from both basic and applied perspectives across a broad range of analytical levels, from the molecule and cell to the organism and ecosystem.

In addition to the program requirements listed below, students must:

- take at least nine hours of their minor "core" requirements at UNC–Chapel Hill
- earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.000 in the minor core requirements. Some programs may require higher standards for minor or specific courses.

For more information, please consult the degree requirements section of the catalog (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/).

A student may minor in biology by taking four biology courses beyond BIOL 101/BIOL 101L.

### Core Requirements

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<td>BIOL 103</td>
<td>How Cells Function F</td>
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<td>or BIOL 104</td>
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*One of the following five core course options:*

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<td>BIOL 220</td>
<td>Molecular Genetics H</td>
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<td>BIOL 240</td>
<td>Cell Biology H</td>
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<td>BIOL 250</td>
<td>Evolutionary Biology</td>
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<td>BIOL 260</td>
<td>Introduction to Ecology</td>
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*An organismal structure and diversity course with lab (see list below)*

One course with a laboratory 1: 4

One course numbered above 400: 3-4

**Total Hours**: 13-15

1 Honors version available. An honors course fulfills the same requirements as the nonhonors version of that course.

FY-Launch class sections may be available. A FY-Launch section fulfills the same requirements as a standard section of that course, but also fulfills the FY-SEMINAR/FY-LAUNCH First-Year Foundations requirement. Students can search for FY-Launch sections in ConnectCarolina using the FY-LAUNCH attribute.

BIOL 395 counts as a laboratory course for students entering in Fall 2022 or later. Other laboratory courses include all of the Organismal Structure and Diversity courses listed below, any course with an "L" designation (except BIOL 253/L, which does not count as an elective in the major), and the following courses: BIOL 255H, BIOL 256, BIOL 459, BIOL 461, BIOL 463, BIOL 526H, BIOL 535, BIOL 562, and BIOL 563.

### Organismal Structure and Diversity Course List

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Biology (BIOL) course descriptions (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/departments/biology/#coursestext).

See program page here (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/biology-major-ba/#opportunitiestext) for special opportunities.

### Department Programs

**Majors**

- Biology Major, B.S. (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/biology-major-bs/)
- Biology Major, B.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/biology-major-ba/)
Minor

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Graduate Programs

• M.A. in Biology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biology/)
• M.S. in Biology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biology/)
• Ph.D. in Biology (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/biology/)

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