

Degree Worksheet for the College of Arts and Sciences: 2023-2024

B.S. BIOLOGY with Research Concentration

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COLLEGE of ARTS & SCIENCES

Language Requirement

All students who major in the College of Arts & Sciences are required to demonstrate competence in a second language. For complete details: <https://www.gonzaga.edu/college-of-arts-sciences/about/information-for-students/language-requirement-information>

Credits Sem/Yr

UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS:

► FUNDAMENTAL CORE COURSES

Year 1: Understanding & Creating

Writing	Credits Sem/Yr
ENGL 101 Writing (fulfills 3 credits Writing Enriched)*	3
Reasoning	
PHIL 101 Reasoning	3
First Year Seminar	
Dept. 193	3
Communication & Speech	
COMM 100 Communication & Speech	3
Math	
MATH (must be above Math 100)	3
Scientific Inquiry (2cr + 1cr lab) **	
BIOL or CHEM or PHYS 104/104L (taken year 1 or 2)	3

Year 2: Being & Becoming

Christianity & Catholic Traditions	Credits Sem/Yr
RELI (see approved list)**	3
Philosophy of Human Nature	
PHIL 201 Philosophy of Human Nature	3

Year 3: Caring & Doing

World/Comparative Religion	Credits Sem/Yr
RELI (see approved list)** (fulfills 3cr Global Studies)*	3
Ethics	
PHIL 301 Ethics or RELI 330 Principles-Christian Morality	3

Year 4: Imagining the Possible

Core Integration Seminar	Credits Sem/Yr
Dept. 432	3

NOTE: some courses have pre-requisites, check the catalog carefully!

► BROADENING COURSES - see approved list**

Social & Behavioral Science	Credits Sem/Yr
	3
Literature	
	3
History	
	3
Fine Arts & Design	
	3

► REQUIRED COURSE DESIGNATIONS - see approved list**

*Writing Enriched	Credits Sem/Yr
	9 total
Social Justice	
	3 total
*Global Studies	
	6 total

****for list of approved RELI, Broadening & Designated courses, see :** <https://my.gonzaga.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/general-degree-requirements-procedures/university-core>

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LOWER DIVISION

46 Credits

Course	Course Title	Credits	Grade
BIOL 105	Info Flow in Biological Systems**	3	
BIOL 105L	Info Flow in Biological Systems Lab**	1	
BIOL 106	Energy Flow in Biological Systems	3	
BIOL 205 & 205L	Physiology & Biodiversity & Lab	4	
BIOL 206 & 206L	Ecology & Lab	4	
BIOL 207 & 207L	Genetics & Lab	4	
CHEM 101 & 101L	General Chemistry & Lab	4	
CHEM 230 & 230L	Organic Chemistry I & Lab	5	
CHEM 231 & 231L	Organic Chemistry II & Lab	4	
CHEM 245 & 245L	Biochemistry & Lab	4	

Choose one of the following sets of courses and labs:

PHYS 101 & 101L	General Physics I & Lab	5	
PHYS 103 & 103L	Scientific Physics I & Lab	5	

Choose one of the following sets of courses and labs:

PHYS 102 & 102L	General Physics II & Lab	5	
PHYS 204 & 204L	Scientific Physics II & Lab	5	

UPPER DIVISION

18 Credits

BIOL 399	Advanced Topics	2	
BIOL 495	Senior Evaluation	0	
BIOL 499	Senior Colloquium	1	

BIOL Upper Division Electives:

15 Credits

(must be approved by an advisor in Biology)*

Course	Course Title	Credits	Grade
BIOL			
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RESEARCH CONCENTRATION

Complete additional requirements #1-#7, details Page 2.

#1. - #4. details on Page 2.

#5.	BIOL 484 Research Seminar	1	
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#6. Select one of the following two courses:

MATH 148	Survey of Calculus	3	
MATH 157	Calculus & Analytic Geometry I	4	

#7. Complete a statistics or biological mathematics course:

statistics: MATH 121 or MATH 321 or biological mathematics: BIOL 305

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*Students must earn a C- grade or better in BIOL 105/105L & BIOL 106 in order to take BIOL 205, 206, or 207. Students must also get a C- grade or better in BIOL 205/205L, 206/206L, 207/207L & BIOL 399 in order to take BIOL 499.

For upper division biology electives, a minimum of 10 credits (B.S.), 6 credits (B.A.), or 4 credits (Minor) must be biology courses taken from Gonzaga faculty. Students participating in study abroad programs should make note.

****BIOL 105/105L meets the Scientific Inquiry requirement of the University Core for Biology Majors & Minors.**

Credits from BIOL 497 Biology Internship, do not satisfy any requirements for the Biology Major or Minor.

All courses should be chosen in consultation with a Biology faculty advisor.

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The Research Concentration is designed to make research experiences available to more students, to show students the value of science education outreach through experiential learning, and to provide students with a more solid foundation in biological mathematics and science communication. It consists of a number of courses and experiences designed to prepare students to pursue research in some venue (graduate school, industry, government, medical school, or science education) after graduation. Students can enter the program at any time, although we anticipate most students will enter the program as sophomores or juniors.

To complete the Research Concentration, the following requirements are added to the requirements for the B.A. degree in Biology:

1. Participate in a significant research experience. This means working on an independent research project for the equivalent of **4 credits**. Most students can fulfill this requirement in one summer of full-time research or four academic semesters of research while enrolled in other classes. Enrolling in the Research Concentration does not guarantee a research experience. It is the student's responsibility to secure a research position. This requirement can be fulfilled by working with a GU faculty member, or with prior permission, with a faculty member at a different institution.
2. Present the results from the independent research (in oral or poster format) to the scientific community at an event organized for that purpose.
3. Write up the research results under advisement with the your research mentor. Final papers will be turned in to the Research Coordinator the last month of the final semester you are enrolled at Gonzaga. If you did research off campus, see the Research Coordinator to arrange a local writing mentor.
4. Participate in science education outreach for 16 hours one semester (BIOL 295/CHEM 295 - 0 credits).
5. Take BIOL 484 Research Seminar (**1 credit**) and attend a minimum of 12 biology-related seminars (including those in BIOL 484), and write and submit a seminar reflection for each seminar.
6. Take a college calculus course (MATH 148 Survey of Calculus (**3cr**) or MATH 157 Calculus and Analytic Geometry I (**4cr**)).
7. Complete a statistics course (MATH 121 or MATH 321)(**3 credits**) or a biological mathematics course, BIOL 305 Biological Data Analysis (**4 credits**).