

Minor in Biological Sciences

For Students Entering College Fall 2011 or Later

To earn a Minor in Biological Sciences you must complete 15 hours of coursework in Biological Sciences including:

- a maximum of five hours of introductory biology: Biology 1500 (5 hr) *or* Biology 1200 (5 hr); Bio 1010+1020 (or Bio 1030) may be substituted with grades of A or B in each course; *and*
- additional coursework in Biological Sciences in courses numbered 2000 or higher. You must include in those additional hours at least one course from at least *two* of the following *four* fields:
 - Genetics 2200 (4 hrs)
 - Cell Biology 2300 (4 hrs)
 - Evolution and Ecology 3400 (3 hrs) or Evolution 4600 (3 hrs)
 - Biological Diversity [Medical Microbiology M3200 (4 hr); Ornithology FW2600 (5 hr, lab); Ichthyology FW2700 (4 hr, lab); Plant Systematics 3210 (4 hr, lab); Invertebrate Zoology 3260 (3 hr; 4 hr, lab); Mammalogy FW3660 (4 hr, lab); Introductory Entomology 3710/3715 (5 hr, lab); General Microbiology 3750 (3 hr), General Microbiology Lab 3760 (2 hr) – must be taken with Bio 3750 or M3200 as pre- or co-req]

Courses in internship, independent readings, problems, or research in Biological Sciences (e.g., 2940, 2960/2965H, 4085, 4950/4952) and Biology 2100 and 2150 may not be used in the Minor. Microb 3200 may not be used to satisfy the laboratory course requirement.

In addition, you must complete:

- at least one course in the Minor numbered 2000 or higher with a laboratory or field component
- all courses in the Minor with a grade of C- or higher, with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher in the Minor. Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading option is not available.
- at least nine of the 15 credit hours in the Minor in residence at MU.

To officially declare your minor in Biological Sciences, fill out the online declaration form at declareaminor.missouri.edu. Once you have received confirmation of your minor declaration, you can access your progress towards your minor by running a degree audit.

If you have questions about the minor after you view your degree audit, contact bioadvising@missouri.edu.

More information about declaring a minor is available [here](#).

To track your progress on your own, you may use this chart. It is not needed to file a minor.

Course number	Course Title	Hours Credit	at MU	Sem Taken	Grade