

# Minor In Biology

## Degree Requirements

If a minor is required in your degree program, at least 9 (lower and/or upper-division) hours of courses in the minor must be completed at the University.

| Minor in Biology  | Credit Hours |
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| Twenty hours of biology are required, including:  | 20           |
| BLY 121, BLY 121L, BLY 122, BLY 122L (General Biology)  |              |
| BLY 300, BLY 301, BLY 302, BLY 305  |              |
| Credit will not be allowed for both the non-major sequence (BLY 101, BLY 101L and BLY 102, BLY 102L) and the major/minor sequence (BLY 121, BLY 121L, BLY 122, BLY 122L.) |              |

## Department Information

Department of Biology website  
<https://www.southalabama.edu/biology>

### Undergraduate Studies

The program of the Department of Biology is designed to contribute to a scientific background as part of a liberal education. The department offers a diversified, broadly based program, which can be designed to satisfy many areas of study. Our multitrack major can provide the traditional student with a well-rounded background in biology, or students may select courses to prepare them for a particular area of study. The multitrack curriculum can prepare students for graduate study, pre-health professional fields (such as medicine or dentistry), marine biology, or environmental science. The department has persons trained to advise in each of these areas. A list of advisors for a specific track or area of study can be obtained from the departmental office.

All first-time freshmen must successfully complete CAS 100: First Year Experience as a degree requirement. Students must enroll during their first term at USA, except for summer-entry students, who must enroll in the fall semester following entry.

Effective for fall, 2016, Major Milestones are used in all concentrations of the Biology Bachelor of Science major to help students stay on track for timely graduation. Each regular semester in the Biology major is a tracking term. To remain on track, students must complete the milestone requirements for each tracking term. These requirements are viewable on the Major Milestone tab above.

Major milestone requirements apply only to full-time, degree-seeking students who first entered Fall 2016 or later. Milestone requirements do not apply to transfer students in the Biology program.

The sample academic plan viewable on the Major Milestone tab above is designed to ensure graduation in the Biology major in four years. Several academic plans are available -- consult with your academic advisor for the plan that is the best fit for you. For specific course requirements, refer to the program requirements above and the General Education requirements of the College of Arts and Sciences.