

GENERAL BIOLOGY (B.S.) - RESIDENT

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

General Education/Foundational Skills Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Communication & Information Literacy ¹		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
	Communications Elective	3
	Information Literacy Elective	3
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Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning ¹		
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
	Math Elective MATH 114 or higher	3
	Technology Competency ²	0-3
Critical Thinking ¹		
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview ³	2
	Critical Thinking Elective	3
Civic & Global Engagement ¹		
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life ³	2
	Cultural Studies Elective	3
Social & Scientific Inquiry ¹		
	Natural Science Elective	3
	Social Science Elective	3
Christianity & Contexts ¹		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
THEO 201	Theology Survey I ³	2
THEO 202	Theology Survey II ³	2
Total Hours		40-43

¹ Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skill requirements

² All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course

³ Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirements of RLGN 105 and EVAN 101 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirements of THEO 201 and THEO 202 waived

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Major Foundational Courses		
BIOL 224	General Biology I ¹	4
CHEM 121	General Chemistry I ¹	4
or CHEM 131 & CHEM 135	Advanced General Chemistry I and Advanced General Chemistry Lab	

Code	Title	Hours
CHEM 122	General Chemistry II ¹	4
or CHEM 132 & CHEM 136	Advanced General Chemistry II and Advanced General Chemistry II Lab	
MATH 126	Elementary Calculus for Business and Science ¹	3-4
or MATH 131	Calculus and Analytic Geometry I	
MATH 201	Introduction to Probability and Statistics ¹	3
or MATH 211	Introduction to Statistical Analysis	
PHYS 201	General Physics I ¹	4
or PHYS 231	University Physics I	
PHYS 202	General Physics II ¹	4
or PHYS 232	University Physics II	
Total Hours		26-27

¹ Course may fulfill select general education requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Major Core		
BIOL 225	General Biology II	4
BIOL 301	Genetics	4
BIOL 310	Ecology	4
BIOL 317	Botany	4
BIOL 400	Biology Seminar	1
BIOL 415	Cell Biology	4
CHEM 301	Organic Chemistry I	4
CHEM 302	Organic Chemistry II	4
CRST 290	History of Life	3
or CRST 390	Origins	
	Choose 11 credit hours of Biology Electives ¹	11
Total Hours		43

¹ Choose from the following: BIOL 400, or 300-400 level BIOL courses not already required in the major. 11 hours required

Code	Title	Hours
Free Electives		
	Choose 3-14 credit hours of Free Electives	3-14
Total Hours		3-14

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- 120 Total hours
- 2.0 Overall grade point average
- 30 Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major
- 25% Of major taken through Liberty University
- 30 Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date
- **CSER** All requirements must be satisfied before a degree will be awarded

Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
MATH 126 or MATH 131	Elementary Calculus for Business and Science or Calculus and Analytic Geometry I	3-4
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
	Natural Science Elective (BIOL 224) ¹	4
	CHEM Elective(s) ²	4
	CSER	0
Hours		16-17
Second Semester		
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview	2
	CHEM Elective(s) ³	4
	Information Literacy Elective ¹	3
	MATH Elective (MATH 201 or MATH 211) ¹	3
	BIOL 225	4
	CSER	0
Hours		16
Second Year		
First Semester		
RSCH 201	Research	3
	Communication Elective ¹	3
	Technology Competency ⁴	0-3
	BIOL 301	4
	CHEM 301	4
	CSER	0
Hours		14-17
Second Semester		
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life	2
	THEO 201	2
	Critical Thinking Elective ¹	3
	BIOL 415	4
	CHEM 302	4
	CSER	0
Hours		15
Third Year		
First Semester		
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
	PHYS 201 or PHYS 231	4
	Information Literacy Elective ¹	3
	BIOL 310	4
	Elective	3
	CSER	0
Hours		16
Second Semester		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2

Course	Title	Hours
PHYS 202 or PHYS 232	General Physics II or University Physics II	4
THEO 202	Theology Survey II	2
BIOL 400	Biology Seminar	1
BIOL 317	Botany	4
	Elective	1
	CSER	0
Hours		14
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
	BIOL Elective ⁵	4
	BIOL Elective ⁵	4
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
	CSER	0
Hours		14
Second Semester		
	Cultural Studies Elective ¹	3
	Social Sciences Elective ¹	3
	BIOL Elective ⁵	3-4
	CRST 290 or CRST 390	3
	Elective	3
	CSER	0
Hours		15-16
Total Hours		120-125

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² Choose CHEM 121 OR CHEM 131 and 135

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