

# 2026–27 Biology Academic Map

## Department of Biology

### Middle Tennessee State University • Murfreesboro



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An academic map is a suggested four-year schedule of courses based on degree requirements in the undergraduate catalog. This sample schedule serves as a general guideline to help build a full schedule each term. Milestones, courses, and special requirements necessary for timely progress to complete a major are designated to keep you on track to graduate in four years. **Missing milestones could delay your program.**

**This map is not a substitute for academic advisement—contact your advisor if you have any questions about scheduling or about your degree requirements.** Also see the current undergraduate catalog ([catalog.mtsu.edu](http://catalog.mtsu.edu)) for a complete list of requirements and electives. *Note: Requirements are continually under revision, and there is no guarantee they will not be changed or revoked; contact the department and/or program area for current information.*

## Suggested Fall/Spring Four-Year Schedule

FRESHMAN FALL			FRESHMAN SPRING		
Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes	Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes
BIOL 1000	1		BIOL 1120/1121	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110
BIOL 1110/1111	4	TBC; Prereq: MATH 1710 with C- or better or MATH ACT of 19 or higher	CHEM 1120/1121	4	Prereq: CHEM 1110 with C- or higher
CHEM 1110/1111	4	TBC; Take CHEM 1010/1011 if weak or no background in Chemistry	Non-Written Communication	3	TBC
MATH 1910	4	TBC; Prereq: MATH 1730 with a minimum grade of C or Math ACT score of 26	Information Literacy	3	TBC
Written Communication	3	TBC			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
BIOL 3250/3251	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110 and 1120	BIOL 2230/2231	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110 and 1120
CHEM 3010/3011 or CHEM 2030/2031	4	Prereq: CHEM 1110 and 1120	Elective	3	
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Creativity and Cultural Expression Literature	3	TBC
History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
			Elective	3	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
BIOL 3400/3401	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110 and 1120; CHEM 1110	BIOL 4110/4111, BIOL 4210/4211, or BIOL 4500	4	OREC - Recommended BIOL 4500
BIOL 3060/3061	3	Prereq: BIOL 1110/1111	BIOL concentration course	3–4	See advisor
BIOL 4350/4351, MATH 2050, or MATH 1920	3–4	See advisor	Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
Elective	3		Elective	3	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>16–17</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>16–17</b>	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
BIOL concentration course	3–4	See advisor	BIOL concentration course	3–4	See advisor
BIOL upper-division course	3–4	See advisor	BIOL 4200	1	Prereq: BIOL 2230, 3250, and 3400
Elective	3		Elective	6–3	
Elective*	3		Elective*	3–6	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12–14</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13–14</b>	

\*NOTE: If needed to meet 36 upper-division credit hours or 120 total credit hours.

**TOTAL HOURS IN PROGRAM: 120**

# Biology Suggested Fall/Spring/Summer Four-Year Schedule

You may choose to attend a summer term to reduce your load during fall or spring terms but still stay on track to graduate in four years. Refer to [www.mtsu.edu/financial-aid/scholarships](http://www.mtsu.edu/financial-aid/scholarships) for information regarding use of the Lottery Scholarship for the summer term.

**NOTE:** Learning Support courses will alter the sequences on this map.

FRESHMAN FALL			FRESHMAN SPRING		
Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes	Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes
BIOL 1000	1		BIOL 1120/1121	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110
BIOL 1110/1111	4	TBC; Prereq: MATH 1710 with C- or better or MATH ACT of 19 or higher	CHEM 1120/1121	4	Prereq: CHEM 1110 with C- or higher
CHEM 1110/1111	4	TBC; Take CHEM 1010/1011 if weak or no background in Chemistry	Non-Written Communication	3	TBC
MATH 1910	4	TBC; Prereq: MATH 1730 with a minimum grade of C or Math ACT score of 25	Information Literacy	3	TBC
Written Communication	3	TBC			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	
FRESHMAN SUMMER					
BIOL 2230/2231	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110 and 1120	Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
BIOL 3250/3251	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110 and 1120	BIOL 3400/3401	4	Prereq: BIOL 1110 and 1120; CHEM 1110
CHEM 3010/3011 or CHEM 2030/2031	4	Prereq: CHEM 1110 and 1120	Elective	3	
Elective	3		Creativity and Cultural Expression Literature	3	TBC
History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	
SOPHOMORE SUMMER					
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	BIOL upper-division elective	3–4	See advisor
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3–4</b>	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
BIOL 4110/4111, BIOL 4210/4211, or BIOL 4500	4	OREC - Recommended BIOL 4500	BIOL 3060/3061	3	Prereq: BIOL 1110/1111
Elective	3		BIOL concentration course	3–4	See advisor
BIOL 4350/4351, MATH 2050, or MATH 1920	3–4	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
Elective	3		Elective	3	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>13–14</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12–13</b>	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
BIOL concentration course	3–4	See advisor	BIOL concentration course	3–4	See advisor
Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	BIOL 4200	1	Prereq: BIOL 2230, 3250, and 3400
Elective	3		Elective	3–6	
Elective*	3		Elective*	3–6	
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>12–13</b>		<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>10–14</b>	
<b>*NOTE: If needed to meet 36 upper-division credit hours or 120 total credit hours.</b>					
<b>TOTAL HOURS IN PROGRAM: 120</b>					