

Biological Sciences Declaration of Minor Form

Please return this form to 216 Stimson Hall

Name: _____ Major: _____
 Cornell ID#: _____ NETID/Email: _____
 Phone: _____ College: _____ Graduation date: _____

Requirements: (Complete Intro Bio and Option 1 or 2) Grade Semester Credits

Introductory Biology:
 BIOG 1101-1105, 1105-1106, 1107-1108
 or list equivalent

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Option 1 – Complete all 3 core courses (12-14 credits):
 BIOBM 3300, 3310-3320 or 3330
 BIOEE 2780 or BIOPL 4480
 BIOGD 2810

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	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

Option 2- Complete 2 of 3 core courses and 5 additional credits from the list of approved Program of Study courses (with a Bio prefix) or other courses of significant Biology content with the approval of the Director of Advising in the Office of Undergraduate Biology (12-15 credits):

BIOBM 3300, 3310-3320 or 3330	_____	_____	_____
BIOEE 2780 or BIOPL 4480	_____	_____	_____
BIOGD 2810	_____	_____	_____
Course 1 _____	_____	_____	_____
Course 2 _____	_____	_____	_____

Credit Total: _____

A minimum of 20 credits is required.

All courses for the minor must be taken for a letter grade.

BIOG 4990, Independent Research may not be used to fulfill any requirement for the minor. No course substitutions are allowed. With the exception of transfer and study abroad students, no biology courses taken at other institutions will count toward the minor.

Major Advisor's Name: _____ Department: _____

Major Advisor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

You must meet with an Office of Undergraduate Biology Advisor
Contact Amy Haner (anh7) to setup an appointment to meet with Bonnie Comella, Wendy Aquadro or Jeff McCaffrey at 607-255-5233.

Biology Advisor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility for a Minor in Biological Sciences

The Minor in Biological Sciences has been designed to provide students with a broad background in biology while allowing them some flexibility to choose courses of interest. Students must have completed one full year of Introductory Biology (or its equivalent) in order to declare the minor. Students enrolled in any of Cornell's seven undergraduate colleges may declare the minor, subject to the availability or required courses. To complete the Minor Program of Study in Biological Sciences, students must submit the "Declaration of Minor" form; this form can be found at the Office of Undergraduate Biology or on our website at <http://www.biology.cornell.edu/forms/>.

Students will retain a copy of the form and be responsible for planning their minor program of study in conjunction with their advisor in their major. Students and Advisors in other Departments should contact an Office of Undergraduate Biology Advisor if they have questions about Biology courses.

In the student's final semester, he or she must submit an "Application to Graduate" form. In order to verify the completion of the Minor Program of Study in Biological Sciences, the student must meet with an advisor at the Office of Undergraduate Biology for verification that all required courses have been satisfactorily completed or are in the process of being completed.

In order to receive any consideration of priority in course enrollment, a form must have been submitted prior to the semester in which enrollment is desired. Please note that admission to the minor does not guarantee that a student will be able to take a given Biological Sciences course in a given semester, just as being a Biological Sciences major offers no such guarantee.

How to receive credit for a Minor in Biological Sciences

1. Before the second semester of your junior year, meet at least once with one of the Office of Undergraduate Biology (OUB) Academic Advisors.
2. Submit a copy of this form to the Office of Undergraduate Biology, 216 Stimson Hall. Retain a copy for your records and give your advisor a copy for your file.
3. Complete the Biological Sciences core courses, and select the advanced courses, which are most appropriate to your interests.
4. Bring your "Application to Graduate" to the Office of Undergraduate Biology, 216 Stimson Hall for final verification by one of the OUB Academic Advisors.

To set up an appointment to meet with an Office of Undergraduate Biology Advisor please contact Amy Haner (anh7@cornell.edu) at 607-255-5233.