# **Biology Minor**

## **Program Offered**

• Minor in Biology

## **Program Description**

The biology minor is designed for students outside of the Quantitative Biosciences and Engineering (QBE) major who would like to complement their degree specific learning with knowledge of fundamental biology concepts as well as modern technical applications of biological knowledge. Our understanding of biology is growing exponentially, allowing us to begin engineering biological systems to improve the environment and human health. This minor is open to students from any program outside of QBE and is specifically valuable to students interested in the interdisciplinary applications of their degree with biological systems to address issues impacting earth, energy, and the environment.

The Mines guidelines for Minor/ASI can be found in the Undergraduate Information section of the Mines Catalog.

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The minor requires 18 credits, which includes 8 credits of required courses and at least 10 credits of elective courses. At least 9 credits must not double count with the major, other than free electives.

Students pursuing the bachelor of science degree in quantitative biosciences and engineering (QBE) are not eligible to pursue the minor in biology as the course requirements and content do not significantly differ.

Special topics courses related to biology may be approved on a case-bycase basis. Additional classes with biological content may be approved by the minor director.

#### Required courses:

Total Semester Hrs		18.0
BIOL ELECT	Biology Elective Courses	10.0
CBEN120	FUNDAMENTALS OF BIOLOGY II	4.0
CBEN110	FUNDAMENTALS OF BIOLOGY I	4.0

### **ELECTIVE COURSES**

BIOL300	INTRODUCTION TO QUANTITATIVE BIOLOGY I	3.0
BIOL301	INTRODUCTION TO QUANTITATIVE BIOLOGY II	3.0
BIOL 499	RESEARCH PROJECT OR INTERNSHIP	3.0
CBEN304	ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY	3.0
CBEN311	INTRODUCTION TO NEUROSCIENCE	3.0
CBEN320	CELL BIOLOGY AND PHYSIOLOGY	3.0
CBEN321	INTRO TO GENETICS	4.0
CBEN322	BIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY	3.0
CBEN324	INTRODUCTION TO BREWING SCIENCE	3.0
CBEN411	NEUROSCIENCE, MEMORY, AND LEARNING	3.0
CBEN412	INTRODUCTION TO PHARMACOLOGY	3.0
CBEN413	QUANTITATIVE HUMAN BIOLOGY	3.0
CBEN431	IMMUNOLOGY FOR ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS	3.0

	CEEN460	MOLECULAR MICROBIAL ECOLOGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT	3.0
	CEEN461	FUNDAMENTALS OF ECOLOGY	3.0
	CHGN409	BIOLOGICAL INORGANIC CHEMISTRY	3.0
	CHGN428	BIOCHEMISTRY	3.0
	CHGN429	BIOCHEMISTRY II	3.0
	CHGN441	THE CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY OF PHARMACEUTICALS	3.0
	CHGN462	MICROBIOLOGY	3.0
	CSCI303	INTRODUCTION TO DATA SCIENCE	3.0
	MATH431	MATHEMATICAL BIOLOGY	3.0
	MEGN330	INTRODUCTION TO BIOMECHANICAL ENGINEERING	3.0
	MTGN472	BIOMATERIALS I	3.0