Road Map for Microbiology BS 2016–2018

This road map is designed for 8 semesters and does not require AP credit or summer school to complete. These are only recommendations and your results may vary!

Freshman Year

FALL
- BIO 311C
- CH 301
- M 408C OR M 408N
- UGS 302 OR 303
- CORE

SPRING
- BIO 311D
- CH 302
- CH 204
- SDS 328M (OR NEXT SEMESTER CALCULUS IF NEEDED)
- CORE

TIPS FOR YEAR 1
- Try the Freshman Research Initiative to find out about research.
- Take RHE 306 and VAPA as your core classes in your first year.
- CH 204 is preferred over CH 317. In FRI, select CH 204 for credit. BIO206L is NOT required for this degree and is NOT required by pre-med; any biology lab will count.
- Focus on completing entry-level requirements by the end of the first semester of sophomore year. txsci.net/entry-level-reqs
- Meet and work with your advisor to complete entry-level requirements.
- Pre-Health Professions? Attend a Pre-Health Professions Information Session in the Fall. Sign up for HPO info listserv to hear about events and important announcements. cns.utexas.edu/health-professions

TIPS FOR SUMMER AFTER YEAR 1
- Take core or BFP course(s) if in BFP
- Take PHY 317K & 117M to get a head start.

Sophomore Year

FALL
- CH 320M
- PHY 317K & 117M
- BIO 325
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- CORE

SPRING
- BCH369 or BCH339F*
- PHY 317L & 117N
- BIO326R
- BIO226L
- CORE

TIPS FOR YEAR 2
- Continue to do research in FRI or a faculty member’s lab (BIO377).
- Consider departmental honors, cns.utexas.edu/honors/academic-distinction/departmental-honors
- Take E 316L, M, N or P, and SOC SCI as your core classes your second year.
- Pre-med students take PSY 301, SOC 302 to prep for MCAT.
- *BCH 369 or BCH 339F prepare for MCAT. If you have any question about changing to a biochemistry major, take BCH 339F. *BCH 339F is required for all upper division BCH courses, such as BCH 339N (additional pre-req of SDS 328M and CS 303E).
- BIO325 is a prerequisite for all upper-division biology courses.
- Good option course for sophomores in the spring is: CH 320N/220NC (second organic chemistry). Many health professions schools (Medical, Dental, Pharmacy, and others) require CH 320N and CH 220C.
- Complete entry-level requirements and get promoted to upper division advising center.
- Go see your new upper-division BIO advisor to be sure you are on track!
- Thinking about study abroad? Go see a Study Abroad advisor about going abroad. Then speak with your assigned advisor about how to have study abroad courses accepted for your degree. cns.utexas.edu/international-study
- Thinking about Health Professions? Go to the HPO for information and guidance. cns.utexas.edu/health-professions
- Visit CNS Career Services for information on careers in industry. cns.utexas.edu/career-services

TIPS FOR SUMMER AFTER YEAR 2
- Take core or BFP course(s).
- Take PHY 317L & 117N

SELECT CORE CLASSES & MORE
PICK 1 CORE CLASS EACH SEMESTER, OR TAKE SUMMER CLASSES OR TESTS TO PLACE OUT OF THEM.
(Pre-health professions students should take English, Rhetoric/Writing, and Social/Behavioral Sciences at UT Austin or at another 4-year school.)
You will need credit for:
- Two GOV classes (3 Hrs and 3 Hrs)
- Two HIS classes (315K and 315L)
- E 316L, M, N or P
- VAPA
- RHE 306

IF YOU ARE COMPLETING THE BUSINESS FOUNDATIONS MINOR, YOU ALSO NEED TO TAKE:
- MIS 302F
- ACC 310F
- FIN 320F
- LEB 320F
- MAN 320F
- MKT 320F

◊ option courses are either for certificate, minor, or to fulfill 15 hr. of upper-division courses
Junior Year

FALL
- BIO 330, 360K or 361*
- BIO 230L, 160L or 361L**
- BIO 370
- OPTION COURSE 1 ◊
- CORE

SPRING
- BIO 330, 360K or 361*
- BIO 230L, 160L or 361L**
- BIO 339 or 339M
- OPTION COURSE 2 ◊
- CORE

TIPS FOR YEAR 3
- *These three courses are all required
- **Only 2 of the 3 labs are required and it is recommended to take the lab in the same semester as the lecture course. It is also recommended to take all three labs, the 3rd lab will be an OPTION COURSE.
- See BIO advisors to review graduation plan and discuss departmental honors.
- Visit the HPO for pre-health professions coaching on applying to professional schools.
- Visit CNS Career Services for career coaching.
- Take the MCAT or GRE if you need to.
- Continue doing research, either in your FRI stream or a faculty member’s lab (BIO 377).
- Take GOV or HIS 315K/L for your core classes in your third year.
- Good option courses include BIO 364 (microbial ecology), BIO 320 (Cell Bio), BIO 344 (Dev Bio), BIO 336 (tumor biology), SDS 348 (comp bio/bioinf), BIO 320L (cell bio lab), BIO 349L (dev bio lab), BIO 364 (microbial ecology), NEU 330 (intro neurosci), BIO 327G (genomics)

TIP FOR SUMMER AFTER YEAR 3
- Take core or BFP course(s).

Senior Year

FALL
- BIO 330, 360K or 361*
- BIO 230L, 160L or 361L**
- BIO 339 or 339M
- OPTION COURSE 3 ◊
- CORE

SPRING
- BIO 339M or BIO 339
- OPTION COURSE 4 ◊
- OPTION COURSE 5 ◊
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- CORE

TIPS FOR YEAR 4
- *These three courses are all required
- **Only 2 of the 3 labs are required and it is recommended to take the lab in the same semester as the lecture course. It is also recommended to take all three labs, the 3rd lab will be an OPTION COURSE.
- Apply for departmental honors if appropriate.
- Visit your advisor for a degree audit and information about applying to graduate!
- Continue doing research.
- Take GOV or HIS 315K/L for your core classes your fourth year.
- Good option courses include BIO 364 (microbial ecology), BIO 320 (Cell Bio), BIO 344 (Dev Bio), BIO 336 (tumor biology), SDS 348 (comp bio/bioinf), BIO 320L (cell bio lab), BIO 349L (dev bio lab), BIO 364 (microbial ecology), NEU 330 (intro neurosci), BIO 327G (genomics)

Congratulations!
You graduated!

CAUTION: Not all courses are offered every semester — Check with advisors!