



Pittsburg State University  
**College of Arts and Sciences Program Guide**

Degree: Bachelor of Science  
 Major: Biology  
 Emphasis/Option: Ecology and Organismic Biology  
 Minor (if required):

As of Fall 2016

**Biology- Basic (14-19 hours)**

BIOL 111: General Biology .....3  
 and BIOL 112: General Biology Laboratory .....2  
 BIOL 211: Principles of Biology I .....4  
 BIOL 212: Principles of Biology II .....4  
 BIOL 322: Genetics .....3  
 and BIOL 323: Genetics Laboratory .....2  
 BIOL 699: Senior Seminar and Assessment. ....1  
 BIOL 111/112 General Biology/Laboratory is waived with  
 ACT Comprehensive >23 or permission of department.

**Biology- Intermediate (12 hours)**

BIOL 311: Cell Biology .....3  
 BIOL 330: Principles of Ecology. ....3  
 BIOL 331: Principles of Ecology Laboratory .....1  
 BIOL 371: General Microbiology .....3  
 and BIOL 372: General Microbiology Laboratory .....2

**Required Biology Emphasis (9 hours)**

BIOL 304: Soil Ecology .....3  
 BIOL 313: Principles of Conservation .....3  
 BIOL 548: Taxonomy of Vascular Plants .....3

**Select one course from each of the following groups**

**1-3 (8-9 hours)**

**Group 1 Animals**

BIOL 533: Ichthyology .....3  
 BIOL 534: Herpetology .....3  
 BIOL 535: Ornithology .....3  
 BIOL 536: Mammalogy .....3  
 BIOL 561: General Entomology .....3

**Group 2 Plants**

BIOL 538: Aquatic Plants .....2  
 BIOL 641: Identification of woody Plants .....2  
 BIOL 744: Identification of Mosses, Liverworts and Ferns .....3  
 BIOL 781: Freshwater Algae .....3  
 BIOL 788: Mycology .....3

**Group 3 Ecology**

BIOL 502: Topics in Environmental Biology (\_\_\_\_) .....1-3  
 BIOL 515: Stream Ecology .....3  
 BIOL 633: Limnology .....3  
 BIOL 639: Terrestrial Field Ecology .....3

**Other Biology Hours (9 hours)**

**Other Required (27-31 hours)**

CHEM 215: General Chemistry I .....3  
 and CHEM 216: General Chemistry I Laboratory .....2  
 CHEM 320: Introductory Organic Chemistry. ....3  
 and CHEM 326: Organic Chemistry Laboratory .....2  
 GEOG 303: Geographic Information Systems I .....4  
 PHYS 160: Physical Geology .....3  
 and PHYS 165: Physical Geology Laboratory .....1

Minor (Physical Science recommended) (6 hours)

Other electives (3-7 hours)

## GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

(38-42 hrs.)

### Basic Skills 12-13 hours

COMM	207	Speech Communication.....	3
ENGL	101	English Composition.....	3
ENGL	190	Honors English Composition.....	3
OR ENGL	299	Introduction to Research Writing.....	3

### Mathematics (Select one)

MATH	110	College Algebra with Review .....	5
MATH	113	College Algebra.....	3
MATH	126	Pre-Calculus.....	4
MATH	133	Quantitative Reasoning .....	3
MATH	143	Elementary Statistics .....	3

### Social Studies 3 hours

SOC	100	Introduction to Sociology .....	3
WGS	200	Introduction to Women's Studies .....	3

### Political Studies (Select one) 3 hours

POLS	101	U.S. Politics.....	3
POLS	103	Comparative Political Institutions .....	3

### Producing and Consuming 5-6 hours

(Select one from two of the following three categories)

#### Economy

ECON	191	Issues in Today's Economy .....	3
FCS	230	Consumer Ed. and Personal Finance .....	3

#### Technology

EET	247	Computer Programming for Electronic Sys. ....	3
GT	190	Introduction to Technological Systems.....	2
GT	350	Technology and Civilization. ....	3
EDTH	330	Technology for the Classroom .....	3
TE	551	Integrated Technology for Educators. ....	3
TM	350	Societal Influence of Technology .....	3

#### Business

ACCTG	201	Financial Accounting .....	3
CIS	130	Computer Information Systems .....	3
MGMKT	101	Introduction to Business .....	3

### Fine Arts and Aesthetic Studies (Select one)..... 2-3 hours

ART	155	Printmaking and Paper Arts .....	3
ART	178	Introduction to the Visual Arts.....	3
ART	188	The Designed World.....	3
ART	217	Crafts I.....	3
ART	222	Jewelry Design I .....	3
ART	233	Drawing I .....	3
ART	244	Ceramics I .....	3
ART	266	Sculpture I .....	3
ART	277	Painting I .....	3
ART	288	Introduction to Art History I .....	3
ART	289	Introduction to Art History II .....	3
ART	311	Art Education.....	3
ART	351	Printmaking, Papermaking, Bookarts and the Letterpress.....	3
ART	430	Automotive: Art and Design.....	3
COMM	105	Performance Appreciation .....	3
COMM	205	Performance Studies .....	3
COMM	295	Theatre History.....	3
ENGL	250	Introduction to Creative Writing.....	3

HHP	151	Dance Appreciation.....	3
MUSIC	120	Music Appreciation .....	3
MUSIC	121	Introduction to Music Literature .....	2

### Cultural Studies (Select one) 3 hours

ANTH	101	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology.....	3
MLL	114	Chinese Language and Culture I .....	3
MLL	124	French Language and Culture I .....	3
MLL	154	Spanish Language and Culture I .....	3
MLL	184	Russian Language and Culture I .....	3
MLL	194	Korean Language and Culture I.....	3
GEOG	106	World Regional Geography .....	3
GEOG	300	Elements of Geography.....	3
GEOG	304	Human Geography.....	3
WGS	399	Global Women's Issues.....	3

### Health and Well Being 4-6 hours

Psychological			
PSYCH	155	General Psychology .....	3
Physical (Select one)			
FCS	203	Nutrition and Health.....	3
FCS	301	Nutrition.....	3
HHP	150	Lifetime Fitness Concepts. ....	1
NURS	303	Introduction to Public Health.....	3

### Human Heritage 6 hours

(Select one from two of the following three categories)

#### History

HIST	101	World History to 1500.....	3
HIST	102	World History from 1500.....	3
HIST	201	American History to 1865. ....	3
HIST	202	American History from 1865 .....	3

#### Literature

ENGL	113	General Literature. ....	3
ENGL	114	General Literature(Genre) .....	3
ENGL	116	General Literature(Theme).....	3
ENGL	120	Literature and Film .....	3
ENGL	315	Mythology.....	3
ENGL	320	Literature and Film .....	3

#### Philosophy

PHIL	103	Introduction to Philosophy. ....	3
PHIL	105	Ethics .....	3
PHIL	111	Ethics: Applied Emphasis(____).....	3
PHIL	112	Biomedical Ethics.....	3
PHIL	113	Business Ethics.....	3
PHIL	114	Environmental Ethics.....	3
PHIL	207	Critical Thinking.....	3
PHIL	208	Logic .....	3
PHIL	231	World Religions. ....	3

Notes \*\* General education sciences are satisfied by course requirements in biology (BIOL 211) and chemistry (CHEM 215/216)

NOTE: The information contained herein is intended to be used for the planning of a student's academic program and does not constitute a contract. While this guide was prepared with the latest information, courses, graduation requirements, and curricula are subject to change.

When a student attains 85 semester hours of credit (including current enrollment) the student must apply for a degree check in the Office of the Registrar (Degree Checking Section), Room 102 Russ Hall.

**MINIMUM GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:** The minimum requirements for graduation include 124 semester hours of which 60 hours must be from a four year university. In addition, 45 semester hours must be upper division and 30 hours in residence at PSU (including 24 of the last 30). Minimum GPA for non-education degree is 2.0 overall [2.0 in major], secondary education degree is 2.5 overall [2.75 in major], and early/late childhood/unified degree is 2.80 overall [3.0 in major]. A minimum GPA of 2.0 in any minor and in residence coursework is required. General Education and all degree requirements are provided in the online catalog. Refer to individual departments for specific requirements.