ZOOLOGY: ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION BIOLOGY, BS

Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2023-2024. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation).

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00
Total Hours: 120

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American History & Government

HIST 1103 | Survey of American History | 3 |
| or HIST 1483 | American History to 1865 (H) | |
| or HIST 1493 | American History Since 1865 (DH) | |

POLS 1113 | American Government | 3 |

Analytical & Quantitative Thought (A)

MATH 1813 | Preparation for Calculus (A) (or higher) | 3 |

STAT 4013 | Statistical Methods I (A) | 3 |
| or STAT 2013 | Elementary Statistics (A) | |
| or STAT 3023 | Statistical Reasoning for Medical Applications (A) | |

Humanities (H)

Courses designated (H) | 6 |

Natural Sciences (N)

Must include one Laboratory Science (L) course

PHYS 1114 | College Physics I (LN) | 4 |
| or PHYS 2014 | University Physics I (LN) | |

PHYS 1214 | College Physics II (LN) | 4 |
| or PHYS 2114 | University Physics II (LN) | |

Social & Behavioral Sciences (S)

Course designated (S) | 3 |

Additional General Education

Courses designated (A), (H), (N), or (S) | 6 |

Hours Subtotal | 41 |

Diversity (D) & International Dimension (I)

May be completed in any part of the degree plan

Select at least one Diversity (D) course

Select at least one International Dimension (I) course

College/Departmental Requirements

First Year Seminar (Transfer students with 15 hours exempt) | 1 |

Arts & Humanities

See note 2.a. | 3 |

Natural & Mathematical Sciences

CHEM 1314 | Chemistry I (LN) | 4 |
CHEM 1515 | Chemistry II (LN) | 5 |

Foreign Language

See note 3 | 0-6 hours |

Upper-Division General Education

Select 6 hours outside major department | See note 2.c. |

Hours Subtotal | 13 |

Major Requirements

Minimum grade of "C" in each course.

Core Courses

Biol 1113 & Biol 1111 | Introductory Biology (N) and Introductory Biology Laboratory (LN) | 4 |
| or Biol 1114 | Introductory Biology (LN) | |

Biol 1604 | Animal Biology | 4 |
Biol 3023 | General Genetics | 3 |
Biol 3034 | General Ecology | 4 |
Biol 3104 | Invertebrate Zoology | 4 |
Biol 3114 | Vertebrate Zoology | 4 |
Biol 3204 | Physiology | 4 |
Biol 4133 | Evolution | 3 |
Biol 4700 | Undergraduate Research Problems (1 hour) | 1 |
| or Biol 4710 | Internships in Integrative Biology | |

MICR 2123 | Introduction to Microbiology | 3 |
| or MICR 3033 | Cell and Molecular Biology | |

Select one of the following: | 5 |

CHEM 3013 & CHEM 3012 | Survey of Organic Chemistry and Survey of Organic Chemistry Laboratory | |

CHEM 3053 & CHEM 3112 | Organic Chemistry I and Organic Chemistry Laboratory | |
| & CHEM 3153 | Organic Chemistry II | |

Select 4 additional hours upper-division BIOL courses with a laboratory in at least one course (excluding general education courses)

Related Courses

Biol 3153 | Animal Behavior | 3 |
Biol 3513 | Principles of Conservation Biology | 3 |
PBio 1404 | Plant Biology (LN) | 4 |
| or PBio 4005 | Field Botany | |

Supplemental Courses

Select one of the following: | 3 |

ENGL 3323 | Technical Writing | |
ENTO 4223 | Ecological Methodology | |
ENVR 3113 | Sampling and Analyses for Solving Environmental Problems | |
GEOG 3023 | Climatology (N) | |
GEOG 3153 | Conservation of Natural Resources (S) | |
1. **Hours in One Department:** For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be required to meet degree requirements. Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum required from one department.

2. **A&S College/Departmental Requirements**
   
a. Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DANC, ENGL (except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (A), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (A) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.

b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PBIO, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.

c. Six upper-division hours are required from General Education or any CAS courses outside the student's major department. This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).

d. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).

e. The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.

3. **Foreign Language Proficiency**
   
a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.

b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.

c. In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Ohio.

**Other Requirements**

- See the College of Arts and Sciences Requirements.
- Minimum 2.0 GPA in all BIOL courses.
- **Upper-Division Credit:** Total hours must include at least 40 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.

**College of Arts and Sciences Requirements**

- **Electives:**
  
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  **Hours Subtotal:** 56

  **Select 10 hours:**

  **MATH 1513** required for students who do not place directly into MATH 1813 (or MATH 1613).

  May need to include 6 hours of a foreign language. (see note 3)

  May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education outside major department (see note 2.c.) and 7 additional upper-division hours

  **PSYC 1113 and SOC 1113 recommended.**

  **Hours Subtotal:** 10

  **Total Hours:** 120
Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

4. Exclusions. Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

Additional State/OSU Requirements
• At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
• Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
• Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
• Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2029.

Example Plan of Study

Finish in Four Plan of Study

The plan below is an example of how students can successfully complete degree requirements in four years. This suggested class schedule plan may be used as a guide and can be adjusted based on individual needs. Students are required to meet with an academic advisor prior to enrollment each semester to plan their class schedule, and students are ultimately responsible for completing all degree requirements.