2022-2023 Old Dominion University Catalog

Bachelor of Science in Biology-Secondary Education Concentration (w/ VCCS Equivalencies)

Sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. Students may re-order as needed.

* Indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer. Courses in green are waived by the completion of an Associate degree (Not eligible for Applied Associate degrees). Associate in Science recommended for ease of transfer.

YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (28 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (14 credits)

SPRING SEMESTER (14 credits)

General Education Coursework: VCCS Equivalency: General Education Coursework: VCCS Equivalency: ENGL 110C* ENG 111 ENGL 231C* ENG 115 or 131 Oral Communication **Transfer Guide Human Creativity Transfer Guide** MATH 162M* MTH 161 or 163 Interpreting the Past **Transfer Guide BIO 101** BIO 102 BIOL 121N & 122N* BIOL 123N & 124N*

Professional Education Coursework: Professional Education Coursework:

STEM 102 (1 credit) STEM 101 (1 credit)

YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (32 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)

SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)

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VCCS Equivalency:

General Education Coursework: VCCS Equivalency: General Education Coursework: VCCS Equivalency:

Information Literacy and Research: CS 121G

Major Coursework:

required or STEM 251G required

MTH 146, 155, 157, 240,

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BIOL 292

STAT 130M* 241, 242 or 245

Human Behavior

Major Coursework:

MTH, 173, 261, 263, 270 or 271 **BIOL 291** MATH 205, 200 or 211*

CHEM 121N & 122N (4 credits)* CHM 111 CHEM 123N & 124N (4 credits)* CHM 112

Professional Education Coursework: Professional Education Coursework:

STEM 202 STEM 201

YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (34 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)

SPRING SEMESTER (18 credits)

VCCS Equivalency: VCCS Equivalency: General Education Coursework: General Education Coursework:

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YEAR 4 - SENIOR (27 CREDITS)

FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)

SPRING SEMESTER (12 credits)

Professional Education Coursework: BIOL 468W (C or better required)

STEM 485 (9 credits)

STEM 402

300/400 level Biology Elective** (4 credits) Professional Education Coursework:

BIOL 307 or 336 (5 credits)

STEM 401

This 4-year plan does not include 6 credits in Language and Culture, but this requirement may be waived; see ODU catalog.

**Students must choose 16 elective hours at the 300/400 level or above from the courses offered by the Department of Biological Sciences. Three of the courses must have a laboratory or field component (see individual course descriptions). Students may use four credits at the 200 level to satisfy the elective requirement. Elective courses must include one approved course each in botany, zoology, microbiology, and human anatomy and phisiology. Consult with advisor.

Please refer to the catalog for Teacher Preparation requirements.

Professional Education Coursework satisfies the Upper Division General Education Coursework.

Requirements for graduation include completion of ENGL 110C, ENGL 211C or 221C or 231C, and the writing intensive (W) course in the major with a grade of C or better, completion of the Biology and Senior Assessments, a minimum cumulative 2.75 GPA, in the major area, and in the professional education core, with no grade less than a C in the major and C- in the professional education core; successful completion of the Teacher Candidate Internship and a minimum of 125 credit hours, which must include both a minimum of 32 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours in upper-level courses in the major program from Old Dominion University. Note that a C (2.0) must be earned in all biology courses used to satisfy departmental requirements.

This four-year plan is a suggested curriculum to complete this degree program in four years. It is just one of several plans that will work and is presented only as broad guidance to students. Each student is strongly encouraged to develop a customized plan in consultation with their academic advisor. Additional information can also be found in Degree Works.