Are you passionate about attending medical school or doing biomedical research? This concentration combines coursework focused on core concepts, competencies and critical skills with the opportunity to participate in research alongside award-winning faculty, giving you an important edge as you take the next step toward your future.

**Program Description**

The biomedical sciences concentration serves students in the biological sciences BS degree program who wish to pursue careers in medicine, other health professions or biomedical research in academic, clinical or industry settings. The curriculum aligns with the broad scientific competencies recommended for premedical students in a report of the American Medical Colleges and the Howard Hughes Medical Committee and reflected in the 2015 changes to the Medical College Admission Test.

Coursework draws from the school's concentration in genetics, cell and developmental biology and the concentration in neurobiology, physiology and behavior, with the addition of courses in biology and in medicine and society. The concentration focuses on chemistry, biochemistry, math and physics coursework that is necessary to prepare students for the MCAT and for medical school admissions. The concentration emphasizes core concepts, competencies and critical intellectual skills necessary to succeed in medical school or biomedical research.

This program is available as an accelerated degree program: [https://sols.asu.edu/degree-programs/accelerated-bachelor-master-science](https://sols.asu.edu/degree-programs/accelerated-bachelor-master-science).

Due to the high volume of overlap in curriculum, students enrolled in a Bachelor of Science degree in the School of Life Sciences may be restricted from declaring a concurrent degree within the school. Students should speak with their academic advisor for any further questions.

**At a Glance**

- **College/School:** [The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](https://cals.asu.edu)
• **Location:** Tempe campus

• **Additional Program Fee:** Yes  
• **Second Language Requirement:** No  
• **First Required Math Course:** MAT 251 - Calculus for Life Sciences or MAT 270 Calculus with Analytic Geometry I  
• **Math Intensity:** Moderate

**Required Courses (Major Map)**

2020 - 2021 Major Map

Major Map (Archives)

**Accelerated Program Options**

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

- Biology, MS
- Global Management, MGM
- Microbiology, MS
- Molecular and Cellular Biology, MS

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students will be advised by their academic departments to apply.

**Admission Requirements**

**General University Admission Requirements:**

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission

**Change of Major Requirements**

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.
Students should refer to https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request for information about how to change a major to this program.

**Transfer Options**

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use the Transfer Map search to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/pathway-programs.

**Global Opportunities**

**Global Experience**

With over 250 programs in more than 65 countries (ranging from one week to one year), study abroad is possible for all ASU students wishing to gain global skills and knowledge in preparation for a 21st-century career. Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while staying on track for graduation, and may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/

**Career Opportunities**

Graduates are well-equipped to enter into careers as research scientists or as scientists in the health professions, having met the majority of prerequisite requirements and mastered many of the competencies valued by graduate programs in medical, dental and optometry fields or programs which prepare students to be physician assistants or physical therapists.

Additionally, graduates of this program have an understanding of the process of science, preparing them for a career in research. They have knowledge of foundational concepts in biological sciences, chemistry, physics and statistics and the ability to understand and apply core biomedical concepts. This prepares them for entry into biology research in a vast number of areas, some of which include genetics, genomics, evolution, physiology and immunology.
Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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<th>Career</th>
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<tr>
<td>Biological Scientist (General)</td>
<td>8.0%</td>
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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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