Program Requirements

The minor in biological sciences requires a minimum of 24 credit hours, of which at least 12 credit hours must be upper-division. At least six of the upper-division credit hours must be from courses offered by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Students choose one of two options. The remaining elective credit hours may be chosen from those courses in the life sciences that can be used toward the majors offered by the school. Internship courses cannot be used.

Option 1 -- 15 credit hours

BIO 281: Conceptual Approaches to Biology for Majors I (SQ) (4)
BIO 282: Conceptual Approaches to Biology for Majors II (4)
BIO 340: General Genetics (4)
BIO 345: Evolution (3)

Option 2 -- 16 credit hours

BIO 281: Conceptual Approaches to Biology for Majors I (SQ) (4)
BIO 282: Conceptual Approaches to Biology for Majors II (4)
BIO 340: General Genetics (4)
MIC 206: Microbiology Laboratory (SG) (1)
MIC 220: Biology of Microorganisms (3)

BIO or MIC electives -- 9 credit hours

BIO or MIC electives (9)

Students choosing Option 1 will complete nine credit hours in electives selected from the BIO or MIC prefixes, at least five credit hours of which must be upper division. Students choosing Option 2 will complete eight credit hours of BIO or MIC electives, all of which must be upper division credit hours.

Depending on a student's undergraduate program of study, prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this minor.