Course: BIO 121 Course Title: General Biology I

**Credit Hours:** 4 **Department:** Biology

**Prerequisite:** *eligibility for ENG 110.* 

May also receive credit for this course through Advanced Placement; International Baccalaureate

CORE-42 Category: NATURAL SCIENCES - Biology: Biology with Lab

**MOTR** BIOL 150L **MOTR Hours:** 4

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### **Typically Offered During:**

Fall Full Semester: YES Fall 1<sup>st</sup> Block: NO Fall 2<sup>nd</sup> Block: NO Spring Full Semester: YES Spring 1<sup>st</sup> Block: NO Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> Block: NO

Summer: YES

#### **Typical Instructional Modality:**

Traditional (seated): YES Blended: NO Internet: NO

Online Video: NO Web Conference: NO

### **May Also Count Toward Department Offering:**

Major: YES Minor: YES Certificate: YES

Please see online published semester class schedule and undergraduate catalog for detailed course offering information.

# How do you describe the course to students when they ask "What is this class about?" (Without using the catalog description)?

BIO 121 introduces biological concepts at the levels of molecules and cells, genetics, and evolution. Laboratory emphasizes development of scientific skills in investigation.

## Beyond meeting a General Education requirement, what benefits can students realize from choosing this course?

- 1- Prepares students for further study in Biology and related areas
- 2- Provides more in-depth overview of information at the cellular/molecular level than lower-level survey courses

# Other than your major/minor/certificate students, what groups of students could find this course relevant to their degree program or career path?

any health-related degree (pre-med; pre-vet; pre-PA; pre-PT; pre-Pharmacy, etc.); kinesiology; computer science (particularly, bioinformatics); any science (GGP, CHM, PHY); Agriculture; any environmental-related career; pharmaceutical sales; Biotechnology companies

### Catalog Description (Fall 2022 Undergraduate Catalog)

First half of 2-semester introductory biology sequence for biology majors and minors. Introduction to the concepts of biological structure and function at the molecular and cellular level, genetics, and evolution. Cannot be taken Pass/Not Pass. A grade of C or better is required in this course in order to take BIO 122.