

University of Houston-Downtown

College of Sciences & Technology MAJOR MAPS

Bachelor of Arts Degree in **BIOLOGY**





| | FRESHMAN | SOPHOMORE | JUNIOR | SENIOR |
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| TAKE THE RIGHT CLASSES (SUCCESS MARKERS) | Begin with your Core Curriculum Courses. Enroll in BIOL 1301/1101 in your first semester and BIOL 1302/1102 in your second semester. | Continue taking Core Curriculum Courses. Enrollin MBIO 2305/1105 and BIOL 2303/2103 | Ensure you are taking a good mix of upper- le vel Biology courses, and you must take BIOL 3306 | Take 3000 and 4000- level BIOL courses. Take BIOL 4311 or SUST 4301. Don't forget to register for graduation! |
| YOUR ADVISOR | Meet with your college a dvisor in the CST before registration. | Meet with your college a dvisor. Make sure you a re taking pre-requisite courses for upper-level biology courses. | Meet with your college a dvisor. Talk to faculty for BIOL 3300 Undergraduate Research opportunities. | Meet with your college a dvisor and review your graduation a udit once you reach 90 credit hours. |
| YOUR MAJOR IN ACTION • • • • • • • | Get to know your faculty. Take part in professional development opportunities in the College. Attend Research Lab Day. | Find a peer and/or faculty mentor. Continue to engage by attending NS events on campus. | Seek out courses and opportunities that fit your career aspirations. Talk to faculty and advisors about how to engage in this career field. | Continue to take courses and engage in professional development to build the skill set needed for your future career. |
| GET INVOLVED | You can join the several different clubs as a freshman, including the Environmental Club and Garden Club. | If you haven't joined yet, get involved in a student organization. Begin building your resume. Look for work-study opportunities. | Participate in job fairs, recruiting events, and other networking events. | Continue to engage in campus activities. Join a student organization if you haven't already. Stayinvolved! |
| GET HIP (HIGH IMPACT PRACTICES) | Seek out course sections that are A+CE designated or designated as service learning. | Begin to obtain career advising in the Department. Look into undergraduate research opportunities. | Utilize UHD's career resources and career advising in Biology. Apply for undergraduate research or internship opportunities. | Seek out volunteer opportunities that fit your career aspirations. Maximize your degree impact. |
| LIFE AFTER CONTROL CON | While you are now at the beginning, keep the finish line in sight! | Think about your career opportunities. | Plan your course plan around your career goals. | Seek department career advising. Apply for jobs . The process maybe lengthy. |

Biology Lab Technician \$43,504

Laboratory Manager \$46,053

Food Science Technician \$44,700

Environmental Scientist \$59,714

Park Ranger \$39,129

Forensic Scientist \$61,101

Quality Control Technician \$64,936



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TOP 10 SKILLS employers look for:

- Ability to work in a team Structure
- Ability to make decisions and solve problems
- Ability to verbally communicate with persons inside and outside the organization
- Ability to obtain and process information
- Ability to analyze quantitative data
- Technical knowledge related to the job
- Proficiency with computer software programs
- Ability to create and/or edit written reports
- Ability to sell or influence others



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CHECKLIST FOR SUCCESS:

| ☐ Create a Job Mine Account |
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| ☐ Check in with your advisor |
| ☐ Review your degree plan to stay on track |
| ☐ Attend science workshops and seminars |
| ☐ Visit the Student Engagement & Leadership Center |
| ☐ Seek out career advising. |
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