

EVOLUTION, ECOLOGY & BIODIVERSITY, MINOR

College of Biological Sciences

Learn about the diversity of life of Earth, including diversity in genes, physiology, shapes, sizes, and behaviors. You will learn about how this diversity emerged, as plants, animals, and microbes became adapted to the environment and to each other. You will learn to predict whether populations of interacting organisms will persist over time.

Faculty Advisor

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Advising

Biology Academic Success Center (BASC) (<https://basc.biology.ucdavis.edu/>) in 1023 Katherine Esau Science Hall (formerly Sciences Laboratory Building); 530-752-0410.

Only one course used to satisfy a requirement for the minor may be applied toward a student's major.

Code	Title	Units
EVE 100	Introduction to Evolution	4
EVE 101	Introduction to Ecology	4
Courses selected for the Biodiversity and Advanced Ecology or Evolution sections must add up to at least 10 units.		10
<i>Biodiversity</i>		
Choose one:		
ENT 103	Insects Systematics	
EVE 105	Phylogenetic Analysis of Vertebrate Structure (Discontinued for winter 2026) **	
EVE 108/PLB 108 DISCONTI	(Discontinued for winter 2026) **	
EVE 112	Biology of Invertebrates	
EVE 112L	Biology of Invertebrates Laboratory	
EVE 114	Experimental Invertebrate Biology	
EVE 140	Paleobotany (Discontinued for winter 2026) **	
MIC 105	Microbial Diversity (Discontinued for fall 2026) **	
MIC 105L	Microbial Diversity Laboratory (Discontinued for fall 2026) **	
NEM 110	Introduction to Nematology	
PLB/PLS 116	Plant Morphology & Evolution	
PLB/PLP 148	Introductory Mycology	
PLS 147	California Plant Communities	
WFC 110	Biology & Conservation of Wild Mammals	
WFC 110L	Laboratory in Biology & Conservation of Wild Mammals	
WFC 111	Biology & Conservation of Wild Birds	
WFC 111L	Laboratory in Biology & Conservation of Wild Birds	
WFC 120	Biology & Conservation of Fishes	

WFC 120L	Laboratory in Biology & Conservation of Fishes
WFC 134	Herpetology
WFC 134L	Herpetology Laboratory
<i>Advanced Ecology or Evolution</i>	
Choose two:	
EVE 102	Population & Quantitative Genetics
EVE 103	Phylogeny, Speciation & Macroevolution
EVE 107	Animal Communication
EVE 115	Marine Ecology
EVE/PLB 117	Plant Ecology
EVE/PLB 119	Population Biology of Invasive Plants & Weeds
EVE 120	Global Change Ecology
EVE 131	Human Genetic Variation & Evolution
EVE 138	Ecology of Tropical Latitudes (Discontinued for winter 2026) **
EVE 141	Principles of Systematics (Discontinued for winter 2026) **
EVE 147	Biogeography
EVE 149	Evolution of Ecological Systems (Discontinued for winter 2026) **
EVE 150	Evolution of Animal Development (Discontinued for winter 2026) **
EVE 161	Microbial Phylogenomics; Genomic Perspectives on the Diversity & Diversification of Microbes
Choose EVE 180A or ENT 180A & EVE 180B or ENT 180B:	
EVE/ENT 180A	Experimental Ecology & Evolution in the Field
EVE/ENT 180B	Experimental Ecology & Evolution in the Field
EVE 181	Ecology & Evolution of Animal-Plant Interactions
Laboratory or field course: At least one of the courses taken to fulfill these requirements must include a 6-hour per week laboratory or field component or two courses with a 3-hour per week laboratory or field component.	
Total Units	
18	

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Course(s) discontinued; see your advisor for course options.