GENETICS & GENOMICS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

College of Biological Sciences

The Genetics & Genomics Major Program

The Genetics & Genomics major provides a broad background in the biological, mathematical, and physical sciences basic to the study of heredity, gene expression and evolution. The major is sufficiently flexible to accommodate students interested in the subject either as a basic discipline in the biological sciences or in terms of its applied aspects such as biotechnology, medicine, and agriculture.

The Program

The upper division curriculum in the Genetics & Genomics program begins with the four-course, upper-division core curriculum that provides an introduction to the principles of genetics, biochemistry, and cell biology. Students then take additional upper-division courses in specialized areas of modern genetics including gene expression, evolution, development, human genetics, and genomics, as well as laboratory courses in the principles of genetics and genomics. Additional upper-division courses in biological sciences, as well as internship/research coursework, can be chosen to fulfill required elective units.

Career Alternatives

The Genetics & Genomics degree provides suitable preparation for a wide variety of careers, including teaching, research, work with biotechnology companies, medicine, and all the health sciences. It is also an excellent background for students wishing to continue their education in a graduate program, a teacher-training program, medical school, veterinary school, or other professional schools.

Faculty Advisor

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Advising

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Graduate Study

See Integrative Genetics & Genomics (Graduate Group) (https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/departments-programs-degrees/integrative-genetics-genomics-graduate-group/).

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¹ Choose CHE 002 series or CHE 004 series.

² Choose CHE 008 series or CHE 118 series or CHE 128 series & CHE 129A-CHE 129B:

CHE 008A & CHE 008B: Organic Chemistry: Brief Course and Organic Chemistry: Brief Course

CHE 118A & CHE 118B & CHE 118C: Organic Chemistry for Health & Life Sciences and Organic Chemistry for Health & Life Sciences and Organic Chemistry for Health & Life Sciences


CHE 129A & CHE 129B: Organic Chemistry Laboratory and Organic Chemistry Laboratory

³ Choose MAT 017 series or MAT 021 series:

MAT 017A & MAT 017B & MAT 017C: Calculus for Biology & Medicine and Calculus for Biology & Medicine and Calculus for Biology & Medicine

MAT 021A & MAT 021B & MAT 021C: Calculus and Calculus and Calculus (Recommended)

⁴ Choose PHY 007 series or PHY 009 series:

PHY 007A & PHY 007B & PHY 007C: General Physics and General Physics and General Physics

PHY 009A & PHY 009B & PHY 009C: Classical Physics and Classical Physics and Classical Physics
Choose one:  
EVE 100  Introduction to Evolution  
or BIS 181  Comparative Genomics

Choose one:  
MCB 164  Advanced Eukaryotic Genetics  
or BIS 183  Functional Genomics

Choose MCB 160L or BIS 180L:  
MCB 160L  Principles of Genetics Laboratory  
or BIS 180L  Genomics Laboratory

Choose STA 100 or CHE 130A & CHE 130B:  
STA 100  Applied Statistics for Biological Sciences  
or STA 130A & STA 130B  Mathematical Statistics: Brief Course

Restricted Electives

Choose at least 9 additional units:  
BIS 181  Comparative Genomics  
BIS 183  Functional Genomics  
BIT 150  Applied Bioinformatics  
ECS 124  Theory & Practice of Bioinformatics  
EVE 100  Introduction to Evolution  
EVE 102  Population & Quantitative Genetics  
EVE 103  Phylogeny, Speciation & Macroevolution  
EVE 131  Human Genetic Variation & Evolution  
EVE 161  Microbial Phylogenomics; Genomic Perspectives on the Diversity & Diversification of Microbes  
MIC 105  Microbial Diversity  
MIC 170  Yeast Molecular Genetics  
MIC 172  Host-Parasite Interactions  
MIC 175  Cancer Biology  
MCB 150  Developmental Biology  
MCB 162  Human Genetics & Genomics  
MCB 163  Developmental Genetics  
MCB 164  Advanced Eukaryotic Genetics  
PLB 112  Plant Growth & Development  
PLB 113  Molecular & Cellular Biology of Plants  
PLS 154  Introduction to Plant Breeding  

OR

Upper division courses in genetics or other fields relevant to the student's interest chosen in consultation with the GGN master and BASC advisor. No more than 4 units of 192, 193, 194H, 198, or 199 may be used for credit in this category.

Depth Subject Matter Subtotal  40-48

Total Units  99-121

1 With BASC advisor approval, these combinations also satisfy the Chemistry requirement: CHE 004A-CHE 128C-CHE 129A-CHE 129B; CHE 118A-CHE 118B-CHE 128C-CHE 129B.


3 With BASC advisor approval, this combination also satisfies the Mathematics requirement: MAT 021A-MAT 017B-MAT 017C; MAT 017A-MAT 021B.

4 With BASC advisor approval, these combinations also satisfy the Physics requirement: PHY 007A-PHY 009A-PHY 049*-PHY 007C; PHY 009A-PHY 009B-PHY 049*-PHY 007C. *PHY 049 requires approval from the PHY Department to enroll.