BIOLOGY (COURSE 7)

Department of Biology (http://catalog.mit.edu/schools/science/biology/#undergraduatetext)

Bachelor of Science in Biology

General Institute Requirements (GIRs)
The General Institute Requirements include a Communication Requirement that is integrated into both the HASS Requirement and the requirements of each major; see details below.

Summary of Subject Requirements

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<tr>
<th>Subjects</th>
<th>Units</th>
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<tr>
<td>Science Requirement</td>
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<tr>
<td>Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (HASS)</td>
<td>8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Requirement; at least two of these subjects must be designated as communication-intensive (CI-H) to fulfill the Communication Requirement.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Restricted Electives in Science and Technology (REST) Requirement [can be satisfied from among 5.12 or 5.601/5.602 and 7.03 or 7.05 in the Departmental Program]</td>
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<td>Laboratory Requirement (12 units) [can be satisfied by 7.002 and 7.003 in the Departmental Program]</td>
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<td>Total GIR Subjects Required for SB Degree</td>
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Physical Education Requirement

Swimming requirement, plus four physical education courses for eight points.

Departmental Program

Choose at least two subjects in the major that are designated as communication-intensive (CI-M) to fulfill the Communication Requirement.

Required Subjects

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<tr>
<td>5.12  Organic Chemistry I</td>
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<td>7.002 Fundamentals of Experimental Molecular Biology</td>
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<td>7.003 Molecular Biology Laboratory (CI-M)</td>
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<td>7.03 Genetics</td>
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<td>7.05 General Biochemistry or 5.07[J] Introduction to Biological Chemistry</td>
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<td>7.06 Cell Biology</td>
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<td>7.19 Communication in Experimental Biology (CI-M)</td>
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<td>Select one of the following: 5.601 Thermodynamics I and Thermodynamics II and Kinetics</td>
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Restrictive Electives

Select three undergraduate-level 12-unit subjects offered by the Department of Biology for which 7.03 and/or 7.05 are prerequisites. 3

Units in Major | 126
Unrestricted Electives | 90
Units in Major That Also Satisfy the GIRs | 36
Total Units Beyond the GIRs Required for SB Degree | 180

The units for any subject that counts as one of the 17 GIR subjects cannot also be counted as units required beyond the GIRs.

1 The department recommends 5.60 or 20.110[I] to fulfill this component of the program, but it will also accept 2.005 Thermal-Fluids Engineering I, 3.012 Fundamentals of Materials Science and Engineering, 8.044 Statistical Physics I, or 10.213 Chemical and Biological Engineering Thermodynamics.

2 See list of Communication-Intensive Subjects in the Major below for acceptable alternatives.

3 Exceptions: 7.30[J] Fundamentals of Ecology is eligible as a restricted elective; 7.19 cannot be counted as a restricted elective. Graduate-level subjects may not be used as restricted electives.

Restricted Electives

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<tr>
<td>7.08[J] Biological Chemistry II</td>
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<tr>
<td>7.09 Quantitative and Computational Biology</td>
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<td>7.20[J] Human Physiology</td>
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<td>7.21 Microbial Physiology</td>
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<td>7.23[J] Immunology</td>
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<td>7.26 Molecular Basis of Infectious Disease</td>
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<td>7.27 Principles of Human Disease and Aging</td>
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<td>7.28 Molecular Biology</td>
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<td>7.29[J] Cellular and Molecular Neurobiology</td>
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<td>7.31 Current Topics in Mammalian Biology: Medical Implications</td>
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<td>7.32 Systems Biology</td>
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<td>7.37[J] Molecular and Engineering Aspects of Biotechnology or 7.371 Biological and Engineering Principles Underlying Novel Biotherapeutics</td>
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<td>7.45 The Hallmarks of Cancer</td>
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<td>7.46 Building with Cells</td>
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<td>7.49[J] Developmental Neurobiology</td>
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<td>9.17</td>
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<td>9.26[J]</td>
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2. 9.17 can be used as a restricted elective or CI-M, not both.

2. Subject has prerequisites that are outside of the program.

**Communication-Intensive Subjects in the Major**

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<td>7.003</td>
<td>Molecular Biology Laboratory (CI-M)</td>
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<td>7.19</td>
<td>Communication in Experimental Biology (CI-M)</td>
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**Option B**

Select one of the following:

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<td>3.014</td>
<td>Materials Laboratory (CI-M)</td>
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<td>6.129[J]</td>
<td>Biological Circuit Engineering Laboratory (CI-M)</td>
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<td>8.13</td>
<td>Experimental Physics I (CI-M)</td>
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<td>9.12</td>
<td>Experimental Molecular Neurobiology (CI-M)</td>
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<td>Systems Neuroscience Laboratory (CI-M)</td>
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<td>9.28</td>
<td>Current Topics in Developmental Neurobiology (CI-M)</td>
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<td>Chemical Engineering Projects Laboratory (CI-M)</td>
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<td>Laboratory Fundamentals in Biological Engineering (CI-M)</td>
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