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B.S. Biology with concentration in Forensic Science 2025-2026

This four-year plan provides a model for on-time completion of this UNT program. Texas Common Course Numbering System (TCCNS) show how course transfers apply to UNT degree requirements. The four-year plan also shows the first point when no TCCNS options are available for this program. See the current <u>Undergraduate Catalog</u> for course prerequisites. Course availability at UNT is subject to change, and the plan shown below may change based on updates to UNT's course offerings.

First Year Fall		First Year Spring	
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
BIOL 1710/1760	BIOL 1306/1106 or 1406	BIOL 1720	BIOL 1307/1107 or 1407
CHEM 1410/1430	CHEM 1311/1111 or 1411	CHEM 1420/1440	CHEM 1312/1112 or 1412
ENGL 1310	ENGL 1301	ENGL 1320 or TECM 2700	ENGL 1302 or 2311
MATH 1710 or 1810	MATH 2313 or 2413	MATH 1680 or 1780	MATH 1342

Second Year Fall		Second Year Spring	
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
BIOL 2041/2042	BIOL 2321/2121 or 2421	UNT Core: Language, Philosophy & Culture	See list of approved courses
CHEM 2370/3210	CHEM 2323/2123 or 2423	CHEM 2380/3220	CHEM 2325/2125 or 2425
PHYS 1410/1430 or 1510/1530	PHYS 1301/1101 or 1401 or 2325/2125 or 2425	PHYS 1420/1440 or 1520/1540	PHYS 1302/1102 or 1402 or 2326/2126 or 2426
PSCI 2305	GOVT 2305	PSCI 2306	GOVT 2306

Summer			
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
UNT Core: American History	See list of approved courses	UNT Core: American History	See list of approved courses

Third Year Fall		Third Year Spring	
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
UNT Core: Creative Arts	See list of approved courses	BIOL 3510/3520	N/A
BIOL 3451/3452	N/A	CHEM 4351	N/A
CHEM 3330	N/A	CHEM 4360	N/A
CHEM 3451/3452	N/A	CHEM 4631/4632	N/A

Fourth Year Fall		Fourth Year Spring	
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
UNT Core: Social & Behavioral Sciences	See list of approved courses	BIOC 3621/3622	N/A
BIOL 3800/4510	N/A	BIOL 3331	N/A
BIOL 4240	N/A	BIOL 4590	N/A
BIOL 4570	N/A	BIOL 4900 ¹	N/A
Elective	Consult UNT advisor		

¹ Students may need to take an additional elective to meet the required hours for the degree depending on the credit earned for BIOL 4900.



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Students may not declare a major within the College of Science until they have completed MATH 1100 (MATH 1314 or 1414) or MATH 1180 (MATH 1324) with a 'C' or higher or have demonstrated proficiency through a math placement exam. Applicants who do not meet the math proficiency requirement will be provisionally admitted as Pre-College of Science (PCOS). PCOS students may visit the College of Science Advising Center for assistance.

Courses Recommended for Transfer

The UNT Core requirements are shown with Texas Common Course Numbering System values only when UNT offers equivalent courses. There may be other courses in transfer that apply toward the specific degree requirement, but those listed are known to apply.

UNT Core: Communication

ENGL 1301; and ENGL 1302 or 2311

A grade of 'C' or higher is required on courses applied toward this requirement.

UNT Core: Mathematics

This requirement will be met by fulfilling the B.S. Biology (Forensic Science) major requirements.

UNT Core: Life and Physical Sciences

This requirement will be met by fulfilling the B.S. Biology (Forensic Science) major requirements.

UNT Core: American History

Two courses chosen from: HIST 1301, 1302, 2301

UNT Core: Government/Political Science

GOVT 2305 and 2306

UNT Core: Creative Arts

One course chosen from: **ARTS** 1301 or 1304; **DRAM** 1310; **MUSI** 1306 or 1307; **SPCH** 2341

UNT Core: Language, Philosophy and Culture

One course chosen from: **ARTS** 1303; **ENGL** 2321, 2326, 2331, 2341, or 2351; **HIST** 2321 or 2322; **PHIL** 1301, 1304, 2303, or 2306

UNT Core: Social and Behavioral Sciences

One course chosen from: **ANTH** 2346, 2351; **BUSI** 1307; **COMM** 1307; **CRIJ** 1301; **ECON** 2301 or 2302; **GEOG** 1303; **PSYC** 2301; **SOCI** 1301; **SOCW** 2361; **SPCH** 1318; **TECA** 1354

UNT Core: Core Option Courses

This requirement will be met by fulfilling the B.S. Biology (Forensic Science) major requirements.

Biology (Forensic Science): Major Requirements

TCCNS options:

- BIOL 1306/1106 or 1406 (also fulfills a portion of the Life & Physical Sciences core requirement)
- BIOL 1307/1107 or 1407 (also fulfills a portion of the Life & Physical Sciences core requirement)
- **BIOL** 2321/2121 or 2421
- CHEM 1311/1111 or 1411 (also fulfills a portion of the Core Option Courses core requirement)
- CHEM 1312/1112 or 1412 (also fulfills a portion of the Core Option Courses core requirement)
- CHEM 2323/2123 or 2423 (approved substitution)
- MATH 1342 (also fulfills the Mathematics core requirement)

Students must have a grade of 'C' or higher and a minimum of 2.5 grade point average in all Foundation courses before enrolling in advanced courses required for the major.

Courses listed above are TCCNS options and do not include all courses required for the B.S. Biology (Forensic Science) major.

Biology (Forensic Science): Additional Requirements

TCCNS options:

- MATH 2313 or 2413
- PHYS 1301/1101 or 1401 or 2325/2125 or 2425 (approved substitution)
- PHYS 1302/1102 or 1402 or 2326/2126 or 2426 (approved substitution)

Only two attempts will be allowed for each biology and biochemistry course in the degree.

Grade of 'C' or higher and minimum 2.5 grade point average in Foundation courses, 'C' or higher in all upper-division courses counting towards major requirements, minimum 2.75 grade point average in math and science courses, and an overall 2.0 grade point average are required for graduation.

All students seeking to enter the Department of Biological Sciences, with the exception of beginning freshmen, must meet the minimum grade point averages given above. Students in the department whose Foundation Course or overall grade point average drops below the minimum for two consecutive semesters will be removed from the program.

FSAT exam required.

Forensic Science courses are required with a grade of 'C' or higher.

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Biology (Forensic Science): Required Minor

TCCNS options:

CHEM 2325/2125 or 2425 (approved substitution)

Students must complete a minor of 20 hours in chemistry, which includes the chemistry foundation courses.

A 'C' or higher is required on all courses.

Courses listed above are TCCNS options and do not include all courses required for the Chemistry minor.

Biology (Forensic Science): Admission to Major

Students must complete a separate application for the Forensic Science Program. For additional information on deadlines and application procedures, please visit the Forensic Science Program website https://forensic.unt.edu.

Applicants must apply to UNT before applying to the Forensic Science Program.

Special Notes

Hours Required and General/College Requirements: A minimum of 120 semester hours, of which 36 must be advanced, and fulfillment of degree requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Biology degree as specified in the General University Requirements section of the UNT catalog and the College of Science requirements.

UNT Core Curriculum/Transfer of Core Curriculum: UNT complies with the mandate of the Texas Legislature regarding <u>Core requirements</u> for state-assisted institutions. Students who successfully complete the common core curriculum (in whole or in part) at a Texas state-assisted institution of higher education are eligible to transfer as "core complete" for those categories in the UNT University Core Curriculum.

Individual academic programs may require courses contained in parts of the University Core Curriculum. Students who wish to take courses that will fulfill both core and major/program requirements simultaneously should check with academic advisors for assistance in selecting core courses.

Choice of Catalog: Any student transferring directly from a Texas public community college to UNT shall have the same choice of catalog designating degree requirements as the student would have had if the dates of attendance at the university had been the same as the dates of attendance at the community college.

The College of Science required curriculum and policies are located in the <u>undergraduate catalog</u> under the corresponding catalog year.

For additional program and contact information, visit the College of Science Student Advising website at https://cos.unt.edu/advising.