



College of Science

B.A. Biology

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 [Undergraduate Catalog](#) 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 1650 or 1680 ¹	MATH 1342 or 2312 or 2412	MATH 1680 or 1710 or 1810 ¹ or Elective	MATH 1342 or 2313 or 2413

Summer			
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
UNT Core: Creative Arts	See list of approved courses	Elective	Consult UNT advisor

Second Year Fall		Second Year Spring	
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
UNT Core: Language, Philosophy & Culture	See list of approved courses	UNT Core: Social & Behavioral Sciences	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

Third Year Fall		Third Year Spring	
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
BIOL Course (2000-level)	BIOL 2302/2102 or 2402 or 2321/2121 or 2421	BIOL 3510/3520	N/A
BIOL Course (2000-level)	BIOL 2302/2102 or 2402 or 2321/2121 or 2421	BIOL 3451/3452	N/A
COS Breadth Requirement or Foreign Language 1010	Consult UNT advisor or Foreign Language 1411	CHEM Minor Course (Advanced)	N/A
Elective	Consult UNT advisor	COS Breadth Requirement or Foreign Language 1020	Consult UNT advisor or Foreign Language 1412

¹ If **MATH** 1680 was used to complete the Foundation course requirement (**MATH** 1650 or 1680), it also satisfies the major requirements (**MATH** 1680 or 1710 or 1810).

The number of electives required may vary depending on which courses are taken. Consult your UNT advisor to make sure that enough hours are taken to meet the total hours requirement.



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Fourth Year Fall		Fourth Year Spring	
UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option	UNT Requirement	TCCNS Option
Physiology with Lab (Advanced)	N/A	BIOL Elective (Advanced)	N/A
BIOL Elective (Advanced)	N/A	BIOL Elective (Advanced)	N/A
COS Breadth Requirement or Foreign Language 2040	Consult UNT advisor or Foreign Language 2311	COS Breadth Requirement or Foreign Language 2050	Consult UNT advisor or Foreign Language 2312
Elective (Advanced)	N/A	Elective (Advanced)	N/A
Elective (Advanced)	N/A		

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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.A. Biology major requirements.

UNT Core: Life and Physical Sciences

This requirement will be met by fulfilling the B.A. Biology 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.A. Biology major requirements.

College of Science: Breadth Requirement

Students pursuing the Bachelor of Arts must complete four classes (minimum 3 hours each) from classes outside of COS. These classes may not be simultaneously applied to University Core Curriculum requirements. Students are encouraged to use these 12 hours to add value to their degree by applying them to a certificate, minor, or second major that will support their goals, in consultation with the COS Advising Center.

This requirement will be deemed complete for Bachelor of Arts students who attain Intermediate II (2312) level proficiency in a foreign language (for all languages other than American Sign Language, prerequisites for 2312 are 1411, 1412, and 2311, in sequence). Also, students who graduated from a high school outside the United States at which English was not the primary language should ask the COS Advising Center about eligibility for waiving this requirement.

Biology: 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 2302/2102** or **2402** or **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** or **2312** or **2412** (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.

*Students are required to take **BIOL 1760** at UNT unless, prior to transfer, they have completed both **BIOL 1106** and **1107** OR both **BIOL 1406** and **1407**.*

Courses listed above are TCCNS options and do not include all courses required for the B.A. Biology major.

Biology: Additional Requirements

TCCNS options:

- **MATH 1342** or **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, 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.

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Biology: 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: Teacher Certification Option

The College of Science encourages students to explore teaching at the secondary level as a career option. A higher GPA may be required for the certification option. For more information, contact your advisor.

Biology: Grad Track Option

The B.A. Biology major has a grad track option leading to a M.B.A. Business Administration and M.B.A. Management. For more information, review the UNT undergraduate catalog and consult a UNT advisor.

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 Arts 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 [Core requirements](#) 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 [undergraduate catalog](#) 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>.