



This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses and milestones designated as critical (in boldface and shaded areas) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Upper Div.	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Important Notes
Semester One: [14 Credit Hours]					
Note: Placement in MATH courses may require additional coursework before the spring semester in first year of enrollment					
BSCI 10110 Biological Diversity	4			■	Fulfills Kent Core Basic Sciences
MATH 11010 Algebra for Calculus	3			■	Fulfills Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning
US 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience	1				Not required for transfer students with 25 credits
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Two: [16 Credit Hours]					
BSCI 10120 Biological Foundations	4			■	Fulfills Kent Core Basic Sciences
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
Kent Core Requirement	3				
Kent Core Requirement	3				
Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Three: [17 Credit Hours]					
CHEM 10060 General Chemistry I	4			■	Fulfills Kent Core Basic Sciences
CHEM 10062 General Chemistry I Laboratory	1			■	Fulfills Kent Core Basic Sciences
MATH 11022 Trigonometry	3			■	Fulfills Kent Core Additional
Kent Core Requirement	3				See Kent Core Summary on page 2
General Electives	6				
Semester Four: [13 Credit Hours]					
BSCI 30156 Elements of Genetics	3	■		■	
CHEM 10061 General Chemistry II	4			■	Fulfills Kent Core Additional
CHEM 10063 General Chemistry II Laboratory	1			■	
College General Requirement	3				Must be from Kent Core Social Sciences; see note 1
General Electives	2				
Semester Five: [14 Credit Hours]					
Foreign Language Requirement (Elementary I)	4-5				Fulfills College General Requirement; see foreign language note
BSCI Electives (2 credits must be upper division)	7			■	Consult with advisor; see note on page 2
General Electives	3				
Semester Six: [16 Credit Hours]					
Foreign Language Requirement (Elementary II)	4-5				Fulfills College General Requirement; see foreign language note
BSCI Elective (upper division)	3	■		■	Consult with advisor; see note on page 2
General Electives (upper division)	9	■			
Semester Seven: [16 Credit Hours]					
BSCI 40163 Evolution	3	■		■	
BSCI 40600 Writing in the Biological Sciences	1	■	C	■	Fulfills writing-intensive course requirement
Foreign Language Requirement	3-5				Fulfills College General Requirement; see foreign language note
BSCI Elective (upper division)	3	■		■	Consult with advisor; see note on page 2
General Electives (upper division)	6	■			
Semester Eight: [15 Credit Hours]					
Foreign Language Requirement	3-5				Fulfills College General Requirement; see foreign language note
BSCI Elective (upper division)	3	■		■	Consult with advisor; see note below
General Electives (upper division)	9	■			Number of credits required depends on meeting minimum 121 credit hours and minimum 42 upper-division credit hours


Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Global / Domestic Diversity Course	Writing-Intensive	Experiential Learning	Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
121	42	36	Kent Core or General Electives	BSCI 40600	Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/elr	2.000	2.000

Kent Core Summary

Kent Core Categories	Important Notes	Remaining Credit Hours
Composition (6-8 credit hours) <i>ENG 11002, 11011, 21011; HONR 10197, 10297</i>	Enrollment based on placement test	6-8
Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (3-5 credit hours)	Fulfilled in this major with MATH 11010	0
Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credit hours) <i>Minimum one course from humanities in Arts and Sciences and minimum one course from fine arts</i>	May fulfill diversity requirement	9
Social Sciences (6 credit hours) <i>Must be selected from two curricular areas</i>		6
Basic Sciences (6-7 credit hours) <i>Must include one laboratory</i>	Fulfilled in this major with BSCI 10110, BSCI 10120, CHEM 10060 and BSCI 10062	0
Additional (6 credit hours)	7 credits fulfilled in this major with CHEM 10061 and MATH 11022	0

Note 1: One additional course taken from the Kent Core Social Sciences courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Applied Conflict Management (CACM), Geography (GEOG), Criminology and Justice Studies (JUS), Political Science (POL), Psychology (PSYC) or Sociology (SOC). The course may not be from the student's major.

Note: Any combination of BSCI courses. Students should consult with a biology advisor to determine the most appropriate courses given their disciplinary interests and career aspirations.

Note: All courses taken from the list of major program requirements are used in the calculation of the major GPA.

The following Biological Sciences (BSCI) courses may not be used in the elective category for majors or the minor in the Department of Biological Sciences:

10001 Human Biology	11010 Anatomy and Physiology I for Allied Health	26002 Ecological Principles of Pest Mgmt
10002 Life on Planet Earth	11020 Anatomy and Physiology II for Allied Health	26003 Plant Identification and Selection I
10003 Laboratory Experience in Biology	16001 Horticultural Botany	26004 Plant Identification and Selection II
10100 Anatomy for Veterinary Technicians	20020 Biological Structure and Function	30050 Human Genetics
11001 Anatomy for Physical and Occupation Therapists	20021 Basic Microbiology	40020 Biology of Aging
	20022 Basic Microbiology Lab	

Foreign Language note: Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Arts and Sciences must have the equivalent of Elementary I and II in any language, plus one of the following options:

- Intermediate I and II of the same language**
- Elementary I and II of a second language
- Any combination of two courses from the following list:
 - Intermediate I of the same language
 - MCLS 10001 Introduction to Structural Concepts for Language Students
 - MCLS 20000 Global Literacy and Cultural Awareness
 - MCLS 20091 Seminar: Global Literacy Case Studies

All students with prior foreign language experience should take the foreign language placement test to determine the appropriate level at which to start. Some students may begin their university foreign language experience beyond the Elementary I level and will complete the requirement with fewer credit hours and fewer courses. This may be accomplished by: (1) passing a course beyond the Elementary I through Intermediate II level or (2) receiving credit through Credit by Exam (CBE), the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), the Advanced Placement (AP) exam or credit through the International Baccalaureate (IB) program; or (3) being designated a "native speaker" of a non-English language (consult with the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Office for additional information). When students complete the requirement with fewer than 14 credit hours and four courses, they will complete the remaining hours with general electives.

Kent Core

Students must complete a minimum 36 credit hours of the Kent Core. Certain courses required in programs and in student's major field may also fulfill the Kent Core. Honors equivalents shall satisfy the Kent Core. None of the courses on the Kent Core list may be taken with a pass/fail grade. Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core for course list.

Diversity Course Requirement

Students must complete a two-course diversity requirement, consisting of one with a domestic (U.S.) focus and one with a global focus. One course must come from the Kent Core. The second course may be taken as a second Kent Core, within a major or minor, or as a general elective; or, with dean's approval, by completing one semester of study in another country. Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity for course list.



Writing-Intensive Course Requirement

Students must complete a one-course writing-intensive requirement in their major and earn minimum C (2.000) grade.

Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/wic for course list.

Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR)

To provide students with direct engagement in learning experiences that promote academic relevance, meaning and an understanding of real-world issues, students must complete this requirement at Kent State, either as a for-credit course or as a non-credit, non-course experience approved by the appropriate faculty member. Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/elr for course list.

Upper-Division Requirement

Students must complete a minimum 39 upper-division (numbered 30000 to 49999) credit hours of coursework. Programs in the College of Arts and Sciences require a minimum of 42 hours of upper-division coursework.

Foreign Language

Visit www.kent.edu/catalog/foreign-languages for course list.

