

TRANSFER GUIDE

Catalog Years: 2025-2027

Bridgewater College: BS in BIOLOGY

Associate Transfer Degree Plan in BIOLOGY

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at Community College				Complete at Bridgewater College		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT				BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
Elective credit	1-2	SDV 100 or 101		CL 150	1	Intro to BC Academic Community
Writing Intensive	3	ENG 111		CL 400	1-3	Senior Portfolio
CL 200	3	ENG 112 OR 113		BIOL 311 or 314 or 325	4	BIO 141 and 142 together transfer for BIOL 305 and 314; BIO 206 transfers for BIOL 325
Comm	3	CST 100		BIOL 430	3	
Creative/Artistic Practices	3	Any UCGS Art		BIOL Choice	4	BIOL 316 or 320 or 321 or 322 or 340 or 400 or 403 or 420 or 433 or 440
Study of Human Narrative	3	Any UCGS Literature		Major Elective	4	BIOL 300 or higher
Study of the Past	3	Any UCGS History		Major Elective	4	BIOL 300 or higher
Scientific Study of People/Society	3	Any UCGS Social or Behavioral Science				
BIOL 110	4	BIO 101		Optional Minors	0-27	Wildlife Biology, Pre-health Science, & Environmental Science
BIOL 111	4	BIO 102				
CHEM 161	4	CHM111		Possible Second Major or Electives	0-36	
CHEM 162	4	CHM112				
MATH 130 or 133	3	MTH 261 or 263	*recommend MTH 261	Free Electives	0-37	
BIOL 309	4	BIO 256				
BIOL 350	4	BIO 270				
Additional electives	10-11	BIO 110, 141,142, 205, 206, 220				
Pre-Transfer credits	60			Post-Transfer Credits	60	

This major specific guide is designed for transfer with the completion of an Associate Degree in biology to the biology major, general track, at Bridgewater College. Students interested in health care careers should take electives BIO 141 & BIO 142 (both must be taken for any BC credit BIOL 305 and 314) before transfer and consider electives CHM 241 & 245, CHM 242 & 246, Phy 201 and 202 or 241 and 241.

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

We offer a Guaranteed Admission Agreement:

- Applicable Associate Degrees: AA and AS
- Minimum GPA requirement: 2.5/4.0
- Course requirements: Students must earn a grade of 'C' or higher in VCCS courses for credit to be transferred into Bridgewater.
- Maximum credits applicable for transfer: 68

Testing requirements: Bridgewater College is test optional. Students using the GAA are not required to submit standardized test scores for admittance

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- Transfer Info, Application, & Financial Aid Information: www.bridgewater.edu/transfer
- Deposit: On or before June 1
- FAFSA-Free Applications for Federal Student Aid: For highest aide, submit by March 1. Visit www.Studentaid.gov for more info
- Admissions Applications: No Deadline- Rolling Admissions

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Connect with the transfer counselor and the Department Chair of Biology and Environmental Science at Bridgewater College within your first year for help choosing the correct courses for your program.

IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Integration of knowledge across the disciplines
- Development of critical thinking and communication skills
- Ability to question, examine and understand issues/ideas with increasing clarity and depth
- Gain the knowledge and skills to become a successful and ethical leader.
- Learn from faculty who have experience preparing students for a wide array of careers that depend on a biology background

WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of an Associate Degree results in all lower-division general education requirements being met, except for CL 150 (a transfer orientation class that introduces students to the BC Academic community) and CL 400 (a senior portfolio class).
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** AP, IB, and CLEP are evaluated for credits

- **Catalog Year:** Catalog year determined by first semester of attendance at the community college post high-school graduation.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The completion of an Associate Degree concurrent with high school results in course work towards your degree and most general education courses satisfied. Students will be enrolled as a freshman for orientation and engagement purposes.

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Small class sizes with academic advisors in each department. All in-person.
- 23 NCAA DIII Sports
- Commuting or on-campus housing.
- Robust career services, academic support services, and clubs and activities.
- Study Abroad in Europe, Latin America, Africa and Asia

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- BC awards merit scholarships to transfer students based on the cumulative GPA from community college course work. www.bridgewater.edu/admissions-aid
- 100% of students receive financial assistance.
- There are 55 different majors and minors.
- The Student:Faculty ratio is 13:1, with the average class size being 19.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at: TransferVirginia.org
- Find out more <https://www.bridgewater.edu/academics/divisions/biology-environmental-science/biology-major/>

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- Through our internship program, over 2/3 of our students are offered full time jobs as a result of their work as an intern.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- Students that maintain at least a 2.5 GPA, show proficiency in college level Mathematics and English, and are in good academic standing have a high possibility of being admitted to BC.

DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

- Add a minor in Wildlife Biology, Pre-Health Science, or Environmental Science

- Check out www.bridgewater.edu/life-at-bridgewater/career-development/career-exploration

OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- All students in this program are strongly encouraged to complete an internship.