

# Bridgewater College: BS in BIOLOGY With Secondary Education Endorsement

## Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Secondary Education

Catalog Years: 2025-2027

## 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	See below for more info
Writing Intensive	3	ENG 111		CL 400	1	
CL 200	3	ENG 112		BIOL 309	4	
Creative/Artistic Practice	3	Any UCGS Art		BIOL 311 or 314 or 325	4	
Study of Human Narrative	3	Any UCGS Literature		BIOL 350	4	
Study of the Past	3	Any UCGS History		BIOL 430	3	
Scientific Study of People/Society	3	Any UCGS Social and Behavioral Science		CHEM 250 or 305	4	
Communication	3	CST 100 or 110		EDUC 225	1	
BIOL 110	4	BIO 101		EDUC 334	3	
BIOL 111	4	BIO102		EDUC 372E	4	
CHEM 161	4	CHM111		EDUC 380X	3	
CHEM 162	4	CHM112		EDUC 412	4	
CHEM 102 or GEOL 130	4	GOL 110 or GOL 105		EDUC 452	1	
MATH 130 or MATH 133	3-4	MTH 261 or MTH 263		EDUC 470	13	Student Teaching
PHYS 125, 218, or 221	4	PHY 100, 201, or 241				
EDUC 140	3	EDU 200	20-hour field placement	Electives	10	
SPED 220	3	EDU 250				
EDUC 200	3	EDU 207				
EDUC 230	3	EDU 204	20-hour field placement			
Pre-Transfer Credits	60-62				60	

This is a major-specific guide designed for transfer with the completion of an Associate Degree in biology to the biology major with secondary education at Bridgewater College. Students plan to be licensed to teach secondary Biology.

## 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](http://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](http://www.Studentaid.gov) for more info
- Admissions Applications: No Deadline- Rolling Admissions

### WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Connect with the transfer counselor at Bridgewater within your first year for help choose the correct courses for your program.

### IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- This is your degree if you aim to teach Secondary science. With our guidance, you will be licensed to teach secondary science in Virginia and many other states through reciprocal certification
- 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 professional experience working and teaching in schools.

### 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](http://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: [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.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!

- Check out [www.bridgewater.edu/life-at-bridgewater/career-development/career-exploration](http://www.bridgewater.edu/life-at-bridgewater/career-development/career-exploration)
- Did you know you can add a teaching area to your license through either coursework or testing? [Add-on endorsements](#) allow educators to teach certain grade levels or specific subject areas.