

MOLECULAR BIOLOGY . BIOCHEMISTRY . BIOINFORMATICS

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An interdisciplinary major focused on the chemistry of life, cellular function and the computing tools to study life.

Why MB3?



Interdisciplinary Emphasis on Hands on Experience

High Standards

What Do I Do With an MB3 Degree?

Molecular Biology

Medical/PA School

Biomedical Research

Biotechnology Industry

Graduate School

Biochemistry

Medical/PA School

Pharmacy School

Biomedical Research

Biotechnology Industry

Graduate School

Bioinformatics

Biomedical Research Biotechnology Industry Graduate School in CS\IT or medical informatics

Hands on Experience in the Classroom: real, novel research!

- Microbes in the Gut: Introductory Biology
- Identification and characterization of new genes in E. coli: Molecular Biology Laboratory
- Evolution of animal immune systems: Cell Biology Laboratory
- Structure/function analysis of mutations in a bacterial toxin: Biochemistry Laboratory

Hands on Experience in Faculty Research Laboratories: 85% of

majors complete at least one semester of research with a faculty mentor

- Dr. Petra Tsuji: The role of diet in cancer
- Dr. Barry Margulies: Development of implants to control Herpes virus outbreaks
- Dr. Anna Marie Soto: Development of DNA binding drugs

Recent Internships:

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, University of Maryland School of Medicine, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine, University of Massachusetts, National Institutes of Health, United States Department of Agriculture, US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, Genome Sciences (GSK), Osiris Pharmaceuticals, Becton Dickinson.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MOLECULAR BIOLOGY, BIOCHEMISTRY AND BIOINFORMATICS (MB3) MAJOR REQUIRED COURSES FOR ALL CONCENTRATIONS (47)

Biology	Chemistry	Math	MBBB	Research
Biol 200 (Intro cells, gen.) (4)	Chem 131/L, 132/L (General) (4,4)	MATH 273: Calculus I (4)	MBBB 201: Programming for	MB3 Capstone (3) OR
			Biologists (4) OR	
			COSC 175: General CS (4)	
Biol 206 (Eco and Evo) (4)	Chem 351 (Biochem I) (3)	MATH 237: Biostatistics (4)	MBBB 301: Intro to Bioinfo (4)	Independent Research (3)
				OR
Biol 309 (Genetics) (4)			MBBB 493 (Bioethics) (1)	Approved Upper Level
				Course (3-4)
BIOL 409 (Mol Bio) (4)				

MOLECULAR BIOLOGY (29 – 31)	BIOCHEMISTRY (33)	BIOINFORMATICS (30 – 35)			
Biol 408 (Cell Biology) (4)	Chem 210 (Analytical Chem) (5)	Cosc 236+237 (Intro to Computers) (4,4)			
	Chem 331+332 (Organic Chem) (5,5)	Cosc 336 (Data and algorithms) (4)			
One of the following labs:	Chem 345 (Physical Chem) (3)				
Biol 312 (Gen Lab) (2),	Chem 356 (Biochem lab) (2)	Math 274 (Calc II) (4)			
Biol 412 (Cell Bio Lab) (3),	Chem 357 (Biochem II) (3)				
Biol 410 (Mol Biol Lab) (3)	Chem 372 (Intermed. lab I) (2)	MBBB 401 (Adv bioinformatics) (3)			
		One of the following:			
Chem 331, 332 (Organic) (5,5)	One of the following pairs of classes:	Cis 458 (Organiz database mgmt) (3)			
	Phys 211+212 (Gen'l Physics) (4,4)	Cosc 457 (Database mgmt syst) (3)			
	Phys 241+242 (Gen'l Physics w/ calc) (4,4)				
Phys 211+212 (Gen'l Physics) (4,4)		One of the following:			
		Math 263 (Discrete Math) (3) or			
One approved elective (Biol, Chem,		MBBB 315 (Genomics) (3)			
or Cosc) at the 300-400 level (3-4)					
		One of the following:			
		Chem 331+332 (Organic) (5,5)			
		Chem 330 (Organic essentials) (5)			

MBBB CONCENTRATIONS (Complete one of the following three columns)