

Bachelor of Arts with a major in Biology

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Oakland University Requirements	Southwestern Michigan College Options
BIO 1200, 1201 & 1300	BIOL 101 and 102
Approved Biology Elective options (choose only one): <i>Please plan Biology elective courses with the assistance of a College of Arts & Sciences Adviser at OU</i>	BIOL 202, 214, 215 <i>(extra credits earned may count toward general electives)</i>
CHM 1440 & 1470	CHEM 101
CHM 1450 & 1480	CHEM 102
CHM 2340	CHEM 201
PHY 1010 & 1100 or PHY 1510 & 1100	PHYS 101 or PHYS 201
PHY 1020 & 1100 or PHY 1520 & 1110	PHYS 102 or PHYS 202
MTH 1441	MATH 130

Students may transfer an unlimited amount of credit from Southwestern, and must complete a minimum of 45 credit hours from OU to meet degree requirements. As programs may limit the transfer credits that can be used toward requirements, **it is highly recommended that students work with both an OU (school/college) academic adviser and their Southwestern counselor to maximize the applicability of coursework to specific requirements.**

TRANSFERRING WITH THE MICHIGAN TRANSFER AGREEMENT (MTA):

When choosing to complete MTA to satisfy General Education, please confirm the best courses to take to fulfill the agreement with your academic adviser at Southwestern or at the [Southwestern MTA](#) website. Completing MTA when following this major guide will satisfy OU's transferrable General Education requirements.

**Additional course requirements for MTA when following this major guide
(minimum 30 credit hours required for MTA):**

- ENGL 103 or ENGL 103W (MTA Approved English Composition Course)
- ENGL 104 (MTA Approved English Composition Course; this is a prerequisite for coursework at OU)
- Two MTA Approved Social Science Courses
- Two MTA Approved Humanities Courses

TRANSFERRING WITHOUT MTA:

If you intend to transfer without MTA, you can choose to complete additional coursework to fulfill OU's individual General Education categories instead. When following this major guide, please reference the [Southwestern Michigan College General Education Transfer Guide](#) for the Southwestern courses that satisfy these specific OU General Education categories:

- Writing Foundations
- Arts
- Language and Culture
- Global Perspective
- Literature
- Social Science
- Western Civilization
- U.S. Diversity

EXPLORATORY REQUIREMENT:

Students with majors in the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) must satisfy an exploratory requirement. This can be done by completing a double major or a CAS minor or concentration; or by completing a minimum of 12 credits in a single CAS rubric, outside of their major rubric. For additional options visit oakland.edu/exploratory. Please confirm transfer course choices with an OU CAS adviser. ***Students using MTA or MACRAO must complete the exploratory requirement at Oakland University or another four-year institution.***

NOTES:

Oakland University will always honor the **MACRAO transfer agreement** and apply it to the General Education requirement the same as MTA.

The College of Arts and Sciences requires that a minimum of 16 credits in the major be completed at Oakland University.

Please contact [College of Arts and Sciences Advising](#) at (248) 370-4567 for more information regarding degree requirements.