

BIO-DENTISTRY DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES AT EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

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CATALOG

GENERAL EDUCATION: 30-38 HRS

LANGUAGE: 9 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
ENG 1001G Composition & Language	3		
ENG 1002G Composition & Literature	3		
CMN 1310G Intro to Speech	3		

Grade of "C" or better is required

SCIENCE AWARENESS: 7HRS

Completed in major.

MATHEMATICS: 3-5 HRS

Completed in major.

HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS: 9 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
Humanities	3		
Fine Arts	3		
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SCIENCE CORE: 51-53 HRS

Biology Courses	Hours	Grade	Semester
BIO 1150 Biology Forum	1		
BIO 1500 General Biology I	4		
BIO 1550G* General Biology II	4		
BIO 3120* Molecular & Cell Biology	4		
BIO 3200* Genetics	4		
BIO 2220+ Anatomy & Physiology II	4		
BIO 3180* Ecology and Evolution	4		
Physics Courses	Hours	Grade	Semester
PHY 1151G* Principles Physics I	3		
PHY 1152G* Principles Physics I Lab	1		
PHY 1161G* Principles Physics II	3		
PHY 1162G* Principles Physics II Lab	1		

MAJOR ELECTIVES: 21 HRS

21 hours of course work in Biological Sciences (with the exception of **BIO 3400**, workshops, and courses designed for General Education) or Mathematics or Physical Sciences courses above 2000 (with the exception of general education and **CHM 2310**). A minimum of 15 hrs must be taken in Biological Sciences.

BIO 2210 Anatomy & Physiology I	4	
BIO 3300 General Microbiology	4	
BIO 3624 Histology	3	
CHM 2840 Organic Chemistry II	3	
CHM 2845 Organic (Lab) Chemistry II	1	
CHM 3450 Biochemistry	3	

BIO 2210 (4) Anatomy and Physiology I BIO 3210 (4) Immunology BIO 3300 (4) General Microbiology BIO 3312 (3) Horticulture BIO 3322 (3) Dendrology BIO 3450 (1-3) Independent Study BIO 3451 (1-3) Undergraduate Research BIO 3610 (3) Survey of Algae & Fungi BIO 3612 (3) Plant Evolution & Diversity BIO 3620 (4) Funct. Comp. Anatomy BIO 3622 (4) Embryology BIO 3624 (3) Histology BIO 3628 (4) Evolutionary Medicine BIO 3690 (4) Clinical Rotation BIO 3700 (4) Parasitology BIO 3710 (3) Plant-Animal Interactions BIO 3720 (4) Entomology BIO 3740 (3) Clinical Mycology BIO 3810 (3) Freshwater Ecology BIO 3850 (3) Environmental Biology BIO 3888G (3) Tropical/Marine Ecology BIO 3950 (3) Vertebrate Natural History

SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES*: 9 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
PSY 1879G Intro to Psychology	3		
SOC 1838G Intro to Sociology	3		
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* One course must meet Cultural Diversity requirement.

SENIOR SEMINAR: 3 HRS

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Seminar topic must be outside the major area. See Undergraduate Catalog for Senior Seminars that exclude Biological Sciences majors.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: 0-8 HRS EXEMPT? US NO

Exempt if 2yrs in high school of a single foreign language with average grade of "C" or better.

Math Courses	Hours	Grade	Semester
MAT 2110G Brief Calculus	3		
BIO 4750* Statistic Anly of Sci Data <u>OR</u> MAT 2250G* Elementary Statistics	4		
Chemistry Courses	Hours	Grade	Semester
CHM 1310G General Chemistry I	3		
CHM 1315G General Chemistry I Lab	1		
CHM 1410* General Chemistry II	3		
CHM 1415* General Chemistry II Lab	1		
CHM 2440 [#] Organic Chemistry I	3		
CHM 2445 [#] Organic Chemistry I Lab	1		

*CHM 2440/CHM 2445 (Organic Chemistry I with Lab) and CHM 2840/CHM 2845 (Organic Chemistry II) sequence is recommended for Pre-Health or Graduate Programs.

*Additional prerequisite classes may be required. See Undergraduate Catalog

*BIO 2210 (Anatomy and Physiology I) prerequisite. BIO 2210 counts as BIO elective credit.

BIO 3952 (3) Invertebrate Natural History BIO 3960 (1-4) Special Topics BIO 4400 (1) Teaching in the Lab BIO 4751 (3) Adv. Molec. & Cell Biol. BIO 4800 (2) Research Techniques BIO 4810 (4) Plant Ecology BIO 4812 (3) Fisheries Ecology & Mgmt BIO 4814 (3) Conservation Biology BIO 4816 (3) Biotic Communities BIO 4818 (4) Environmental Microbiology BIO 4820 (4) Spatial Analysis for Environmental Sciences BIO 4830 (3) Comp. Vertebrate Physiology BIO 4832 (4) Animal Behavior BIO 4833 (4) Neurobiology of Diseases BIO 4834 (3) Neurobiology BIO 4835 (3) Advanced Neurobiology BIO 4836 (4) Pathogenic Microbiology BIO 4892 (4) Intro. Paleobotany BIO 4914 (3) Plant Anatomy BIO 4920 (3) Medicinal Plants BIO 4940 (3) Phycology

Courses numbered 5000-5499 inclusive, may be taken by a senior whose graduation requirements average 2.75 or higher, with the permission of the instructor and the Dean of the Graduate School.

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BIO 4942 (3) Mycology BIO 4944 (3) Lichens BIO 4946 (3) Bryology BIO 4948 (3) Plant Taxonomy BIO 4950 (3) Ichthyology BIO 4952 (3) Herpetology BIO 4954 (3) Ornithology BIO 4956 (3) Mammalogy BIO 4966 (3) Wetland & Aqua. Vasc. Plants BIO 4984 (3) Organic Evolution

Dentistry is a highly competitive four-year graduate program. Students should maintain a grade point average near 3.50/4.00, acquire leadership skills and exposure to the world of dentistry, and score an 18 or higher on the Dental Admission Test (DAT). Three letters of recommendation are required, typically 2 from the sciences and 1 letter of the student are choosing.

Typically, the DAT is taken during the Spring Semester of the junior year, and application through a centralized application service Associated American Dental Schools Application Services (AADSAS) is submitted in June between the junior and senior years.

Dental schools are seeking individuals who are well rounded in their educational background. In selecting a major, identify one that will prepare you best for dental practice or a backup plan. English, biology, chemistry, psychology or psychology with a business minor are a few majors to consider. Because of the hands-on nature of the profession, courses in art and sculpting are also useful.

WHAT MAKES YOU UNIQUE FROM OTHER APPLICANTS?

Healthcare Experience

• Volunteer or work in hospitals, clinics, nursinghomes, assisted living centers, crisis nursery, and rehab centers is beneficial.

Shadow a specialist. Ask to volunteer or work in thier practice; seek opportunity to shadow.

Leadership Experience

Dentists are leaders in their communities and demonstrated leadership skills are a must. Campus, church, and community organizations provide excellent leadership opportunities.

RESOURCES:

American Dental Education Association www.adea.org American Dental Association www.ada.org/en

DAT (Dental Admissions Test) www.ada.org/dat.aspx