

## **MS-BIO Non-thesis Option**

### **Checking Graduation Deficiencies**

**First, apply for graduation which will initiate an audit that will alert deficiencies. This is the very best way to know your deficiencies to graduate.**

Application and Re-Application for Graduation and/or Certificate Completion  
[www.eiu.edu/paws/](http://www.eiu.edu/paws/): Students must use the PAWS system to apply for graduation. The fees of \$25.00 for graduate degrees and/or \$15.00 for certificates will be posted on the student's account. All degree and certificate candidates must apply and pay the required fee for graduation or certificate completion. Students must apply and pay the fee for each degree or certificate completed. This deadline is published in the Class Schedule each semester. Candidates who fail to apply by the published deadline are not eligible for graduation or certificate completion until the next semester or term. Candidates are encouraged to run their own degree audit to monitor completion of requirements. The application for graduation or certificate completion automatically initiates a graduate degree or graduate certificate audit by the certification officer in the Graduate School. Candidates will be alerted to any deficiencies that must be completed in order to meet the requirements for the degree or certificate. If candidates fail to complete the requirements for the degree or certificate or fail to complete any identified deficiencies; candidates will be required to re-apply for graduation or certificate completion in a subsequent term. There is no additional fee for the re-application. The re-application is also accessed on the PAWS system. Students may apply any time prior to the Deadline to Complete Academic Requirements as identified in the Academic Calendar for the term in which they plan to complete the certificate.

### Non-thesis Course Worksheet

<b>BIO 5000+</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>BIO 4750-4999</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>Non-BIO 5000+</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>Non-BIO 4750-4999</b>	<b>SH</b>
BIO 5150							
<b>Total</b>							

### Graduation Requirements

- A minimum of 32 hours of course work, of which at least 20 hours should be with BIO course prefix. The rest of the course work should be from courses offered by academic departments in the College of Sciences.
- No more than 10 hours of courses 4750-4999. The rest of the courses should be at the 5000 level.
- Seminar (BIO 5150) 1-2 hours.