

Getting Started as a Freshman Bio Major

If you are ready for Eng 1A, have passed both the IAD and the Chem diagnostic exam, and are working less than 20 hrs per week, a good start is shown below. In general, Chemistry is the rate limiting step. You should try to take a Chemistry course ever semester until completing the required sequence.

Fall 1

STAT 1	3
CHEM 1A	5
ENG 1A (GE A2)	3
GE	3

Spring 1

BIO 1	5
CHEM 1B	5
COMS 4 or 5 (GE A1)	3
(possibly GE A3 also)	3

Fall 2

BIO 2	5
CHEM 20 or 24	3
ENG 20	3
GE Area C, D, or E	3

Spring 2

BIO 160	3
CHEM 161 or 124	3
GE Area C, D, or E	3
PHYS 5A (BIO 186A)	4

If you did not pass the IAD and/or Chem diagnostic exam or want build a strong chemistry foundation before heading into Chem 1A a good start would be:

Fall 1

CHEM 4	3
MATH 9 (or STAT 1)	3
ENG 1A (or ENG 1)	3
NSM 21 (LC)	3

Spring 1

BIO 1	5
CHEM 1A	5
COMS 4 or 5	3

Fall 2

BIO 2	5
CHEM 1B	5
STAT 001	3
(possibly GE A3 also)	3

Spring 2

BIO 160	3
CHEM 20 or 24	3
PHYS 5A	4
GE Area C, D, E	3