

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

The Biomedical Technology program allows students to explore the many facets of human health and disease with an emphasis on the contribution of diagnostic laboratory medicine to medical practice. Students in the Biomedical Technology program have a variety of options based on their personal interests and career goals. The Program provides a strong foundation in basic and clinical sciences. Students are prepared to seek positions in the biomedical device industry such as research, technical support and sales or to pursue admission to MS programs in Physician Assistant Studies. Incoming freshman students may apply for early assurance acceptance to the MS in Physician Assistant Studies at Albany Medical College. (This track does not lead to certification or licensure. See the BS in Clinical Laboratory Sciences.)

The curriculum in Biomedical Technology is designed to assure that all students are able to:

- Interpret Clinical Laboratory Testing
 - Evaluate appropriateness and quality of laboratory specimens and handle them safely
 - Evaluate test results to assure accuracy of analyses and correlate with medical history and diagnosis
- Promote Public Health
 - Promote public awareness of health and disease
- Demonstrate Professionalism
 - Demonstrate professional conduct and interpersonal communication skills with patients, laboratory personnel, other health care professionals and the public
 - Establish and maintain continuing education for self and others to maintain lifelong learning and professional competence
 - Provide leadership in educating other health care professionals on issues related to the clinical laboratory
 - Read and evaluate published professional literature for its pertinence and reliability and explain the basic principles of the scientific method
- Understand Health Care Systems and the Role of the Medical Laboratory
 - Explain the role of the regulatory agencies that oversee the clinical laboratory and of the regulations pertinent to the laboratory and the healthcare organization in which the laboratory resides
 - Explain the organizational structure of healthcare organizations and the role of the clinical laboratory in the provision of patient care
- Practice the principles of diagnostic thought process and evidence based medicine
 - Critically evaluate current publications on diagnostic process including laboratory results
 - Articulate the principles of evidence based medicine in the diagnostic process

BS BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY REQUIRED COURSES

Communications: 6 required credits¹

COM 115: Principles of Communication (3)

BHS 230: Sophomore Seminar (3)

¹All incoming students are assessed for their writing ability. The assessment is designed to direct students to the courses for which they are best prepared in the first year of the curriculum.

Humanities, Culture and Health: 18 required credits

HUM 101, 102 and 201: The Pre-Modern World, The Modern World, The Contemporary World (3, 3, 3)

ETH 310: Bioethics (3)

PSY 101: General Psychology (3)

Social Science Elective (3)

Basic Sciences: 39 required credits

BIO 101 and 102: General Biology I and II (4, 4)

BIO 213 and BIO 214: Anatomy and Physiology I and II (3, 3)

BIO 215 and BIO 216: Anatomy and Physiology I and II Lab (1, 1)

BIO 235: Cell Biology (3)

BIO 236: Cell Biology Laboratory (1)

CHE 101 and 102: General Chemistry I and II (4, 4)

CHE 245: Survey of Organic Chemistry (4)

CHE 311: Biochemistry I (3)

CHE 312: Biochemistry I Lab (1) - replaced with Clinical Biochemical Techniques starting in Fall of 2017

MAT 145: Elementary Statistics (3)

Biomedical Sciences: 10 required credits

BHS 201: Medical Terminology (3)

BHS 740 G: Genetics and Molecular Basis of Disease (4)

BHS 450: Senior Seminar in Biomedical Technology (3)

Clinical Sciences: 29 required credits

CLS 327 and 329: Clinical Microbiology I and II (3, 3)

CLS 328 and 330: Clinical Microbiology I and II Lab (1, 1)

CLS 317: Clinical Hematology (3)

CLS 318: Clinical Hematology Lab (1)

CLS 306: Urinalysis and Body Fluids (2)

CLS 337: Clinical Immunology (3)

CLS 338: Clinical Immunology Lab (1)

CLS 339: Immunohematology (3)

CLS 340: Immunohematology Lab (1)

CLS 346: Clinical Chemistry (3)

CLS 347: Clinical Chemistry Lab (1)

CLS 400: Laboratory Management and Education (3)

Electives: 24 elective credits

Directed Electives (18)

Free electives (6)

Total Credits: 126 credits

BS IN BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SAMPLE SCHEDULE

Year 1						
Fall Semester			Credits	Spring Semester		Credits
BIO 101	General Biology I		4	BIO 102	General Biology II	4
CHE 101	General Chemistry I		4	CHE 102	General Chemistry II	4
HUM 101	Pre-Modern World		3	MAT 145	Elementary Statistics	3
COM 115	Principles of Communication		3	HUM 102	Modern World	3
PSY 101	General Psychology		3		Elective	3
	Total		17		Total	17

Year 2						
Fall Semester			Credits	Spring Semester		Credits
HUM 201	Contemporary World		3	BHS 230	Sophomore Seminar	3
BIO 213	Anatomy and Physiology I		3	BIO 214	Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BIO 215	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab		1	BIO 216	Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1
BHS 201	Medical Terminology		3	BIO 235	Cell Biology	3
	Social Science Elective		3	BIO 236	Cell Biology Lab	1
	Elective		3	CHE 245	Survey of Organic Chemistry	4
	Total		16		Total	15

Year 3						
Fall Semester			Credits	Spring Semester		Credits
CLS 327	Clinical Microbiology I		3	CLS 329	Clinical Microbiology II	3
CLS 328	Clinical Microbiology I Lab		1	CLS 330	Clinical Microbiology II Lab	1
CHE 311	Biochemistry I		3	CLS 346	Clinical Chemistry	3
CHE 312	Biochemistry I Lab*		1	CLS 347	Clinical Chemistry Lab	1
CLS 317	Clinical Hematology		3	CLS 339	Immunohematology	3
CLS 318	Clinical Hematology Lab		1	CLS 340	Immunohematology Lab	1
CLS 306	Urinalysis and Body Fluids		2	CLS 337	Clinical Immunology	3
ETH 310	Bioethics		3	CLS 338	Clinical Immunology Lab	1
	Total		17		Total	16

Year 4						
Fall Semester			Credits	Spring Semester		Credits
BHS 740	Genetics and Molecular Basis of Disease		4	BHS 450	Senior Seminar in Biomedical Technology	3
CLS 400	Laboratory Management and Education		3		Directed Electives	9
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	Total		16		Total	12

*replaced with Clinical Biochemical Techniques starting in Fall of 2017

BS in Biomedical Technology/MS Cytotechnology and Molecular Cytology:

Upon completion of the third year of core courses, students may elect to enter the BS Biotechnology/MS Cytotechnology and Molecular Cytology program. They continue their education with training in microscopic examinations of human cell samples in order to identify inflammatory or cancerous changes in cell morphology. The Cytotechnology and Molecular Cytology program is the largest in the country and the only academic-based program in New York State. Graduates are eligible for accreditation nationally and for licensure in the state of New York State. (For course information, see the MS in Cytotechnology and Molecular Cytology program.)

BS in Biomedical Technology/MS Clinical Laboratory Sciences:

Students electing to pursue the combined BS in Biomedical Technology and the MS in Clinical Laboratory Sciences will complete the first two years of the Biomedical Technology program and use the third year of the curriculum to complete the requirements for admission into the MS program and to take additional coursework in upper level sciences, public health or other health related courses that support entrance into the MS program. (For course information, see the MS in Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program.)

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