

Northwestern Michigan College College Transfer Guide

The Bachelor of Science in Biology provides a quality, well-rounded education for students preparing for a variety of careers in the field of biology. Courses in general biology, anatomy and physiology, microbiology, genetics, and ecology are required, as are courses in mathematics, chemistry, physics, and additional biology electives of the student's choosing. The program is flexible and individually designed, matching the abilities of each student with his/her academic interests.

General Admission Criteria

To be admitted to this degree program, students must have completed at least 12 credits at the time of application with a minimum 2.0 overall GPA including an English and mathematics course, or they must provide their high school records and ACT /SAT scores for admission review. Official transcripts from all accredited colleges/universities must be submitted with the Ferris application.

Course Requirements

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Course	Ferris Equiv.	Ferris Course Title	Cr. Hrs.
ENG 111	ENGL 150	English 1	3
ENG 112	ENGL 250	English 2	3
COM 111	COMM 121	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
MTH 122	MATH 120	Trigonometry	3
BIO 115 and BIO 115L and BIO 116 and BIO 116L**	BIOL 121 and BIOL 122	General Biology 1 and General Biology 2	8
BIO 227 and BIO 227L and BIO 228 and BIO 228L	BIOL 205	Human Anatomy & Physiology	5
CHM 150 and CHM 150L and CHM 150R	CHEM 121	General Chemistry 1	5
CHM 151 and CHM 151L and CHM 151R	CHEM 122	General Chemistry 2	5
CHM 250 and CHM 250L	CHEM 321	Organic Chemistry 1	5
CHM 251 and CHM 251L	CHEM 322	Organic Chemistry 2	5
PHY 121 and PHY 121L and PHY 122 and PHY 122L OR PHY 105 and PHY 105L	PHYS 211 and PHYS 212 OR PHYS 130	Introductory Physics 1 and Introductory Physics 2 OR Concepts in Physics	4 4 4

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Course	Ferris Course Title	Cr. Hrs.
ENGL 311 or ENGL 321 or ENGL 323 or ENGL 325	Advanced Technical Writing or Advanced Composition or Proposal Writing or Advanced Business Writing	3
BIOL 218 or BIOL 286 or BIOL 386	Microbial Ecology or General Microbiology or Microbiology and Immunology	3-5
BIOL 346 or BIOL 347 or BIOL 442	Ecological Assessment or Environmental Conservation or Ecology	3
BIOL 375 FSU	Principles of Genetics Biology Elective (see FSU advisor)	3 7-13
BIOL 460 CHEM 324 or CHEM 364 FSU	Current Topics in Biology Fundamentals of Biochemistry or Biochemistry Biology Application Area (see FSU advisor)	2 3-4 5

Credits Required for Degree 121

Contact Information

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NMC	VARIABLES	Cultural Enrichment Electives (one must be at FSU 200+ level)	9
NMC	VARIABLES	Social Awareness Electives (one must be FSU 200+ level) (must come from 2 different subject areas)	9

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

**Students must take entire sequence at the Community College or take the entire sequence at Ferris State University in order to earn course credit.

Delivery Locations

This degree and the Ferris courses are offered at the following locations:

- Ferris State University, Big Rapids Campus, Big Rapids MI
- Select courses may be delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location)

Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation. Orientation for incoming freshmen is a one-day session that occurs on campus and includes class registration. Eligible transfer students have the option of completing an online orientation or attending an on campus session.

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential students meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. **Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of any electives or general education classes shown above could reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree.** Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work towards graduation.

Online Learning

Orientation is required for students who register for an online *course* or are completing an online *degree*. Students must demonstrate competency in FerrisConnect skills. This may be done by taking a tutorial and quiz, or, for students who have already taken and passed online courses, they can submit a waiver request. Students should check with the department that offers the class to determine its particular needs and/or the Ferris advisor regarding registration for online course work.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Disclaimer

This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the effective and/or revised date on the bottom of the guide.