

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
PROGRAM FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN NATURAL SCIENCE
Teaching (Option II)

Student Name: _____
Email address: _____
GE Year / Major Year: _____

CIN: _____
Phone: _____
Advisor: _____

Requirements for this degree

The Bachelor of Science Degree in Natural Science provides broad training across several science disciplines and is offered as three options: Interdisciplinary Science (Option I), Teaching (Option II), and Applied Science (Option III). Natural Science majors choose one option. Majors choosing the Interdisciplinary Science or Teaching option must select an emphasis area in biology, chemistry, geoscience, or physics, and majors choosing the Applied Science option must select an emphasis area in food science or medical science. Students should speak with a Natural Science adviser before choosing an option.

- In each options students must earn a grade of C or higher in all courses that satisfy the following university, general education or major requirements.
- **Consult with an advisor for the specific number of units required in all areas of the degree including General Education, 40 upper-division unit graduation requirement, and elective units needed to complete the major.**

Option II - Bachelor of Science Degree in Natural Science - Teaching

The Teaching Option of the Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Science is designed specifically for pre-service middle and high school science teachers. The degree option satisfies the subject matter requirement for a California Single Subject Teaching Credential in Science. In order to earn the Single Subject Teaching Credential, individuals must complete a separate program of professional education courses approved by the State of California as a teacher preparation program (credential program). Although the Teaching Option in Natural Science meets the subject matter requirement for obtaining a teaching credential, this degree option is not a credential program. Students should consult with a Natural Science program adviser and with a credential adviser in the Charter College of Education for additional requirements for earning a teaching credential in California. Students selecting the Teaching Option must choose one area from biology, chemistry, geoscience, and physics as an emphasis area of study. Total number of units required for the degree is 120 or 124, depending on the emphasis selected, of which 81 or 85 units are in the major depending on the emphasis selected.

The following worksheets show the major requirements for each of the emphasis areas, and the last page shows the GE and University requirements.

TEACHING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – CORE AND BIOLOGY EMPHASIS

Requirement	Units	Transfer institution and equivalent course	Or Cal State L.A. course number and title	Term	Grade
CORE (51 or 53 units)					
Core requirements for all emphasis areas (46 or 48 units)					
ASTR 1510 - Principles of Astronomy	2				
ASTR 1520 - Principles of Astronomy: Laboratory	1				
BIOL 1100 – Principles of Biology I	5				
BIOL 1200 – Principles of Biology II	5				
CHEM 1100 - General Chemistry I	5				
CHEM 1110 - General Chemistry II	5				
GEOL 1500 - Earth Revealed	3				
GEOL 2520 - Historical Geology	4				
MATH 2110 – Calculus I	4				
MATH 2120 – Calculus II	4				
NATS 3980 – Field Observations in Science Education	1				
*PHYS 1100 or 2100 - Physics A	4 or 5				
*PHYS 1200 or 2200 - Physics B	4 or 5				
*PHYS 2100 and 2200 (5,5) is required for Physics Emphasis students and recommended for Chemistry Emphasis students in lieu of PHYS 1100 and 1200.					
Capstone course (4 units)					
NATS 4960 - Natural Science Field Studies and Pedagogy	4				
EMPHASIS AREA (29-31 units)					
Students must choose one emphasis area from among biology, chemistry, geoscience, or physics.					
Biology Emphasis (30 units)					
BIOL 3000 - Biostatistics	3				
BIOL 3200 - Professional Writing in the Biological Sciences	3				
BIOL 3400 - Cell Biology and Genetics	3				
BIOL 3800 - Ecology and Evolution	3				
CHEM 2200 - Organic Chemistry I	4				
MICR 3100 - General Microbiology	4				
NATS 4000 - Crosscutting Concepts in Natural Science	3				
NATS 4200 - Cultures of Science	3				
Upper Division Electives (4 units) <i>Select upper division BIOL course(s) as electives with advisor approval. A maximum of 3 units of directed study is allowed.</i>					
Elective					
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Elective					
TOTAL SEMESTER UNITS REQUIRED	81				

TEACHING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – CHEMISTRY EMPHASIS, GEOSCIENCE EMPHASIS, OR PHYSICS EMPHASIS (SEE PREVIOUS SHEET FOR REQUIRED CORE)

Requirement	Units	Transfer institution and equivalent course	Or Cal State L.A. course number and title	Term	Grade
EMPHASIS AREA (29-31 units)					
Students must choose one emphasis area from among biology, chemistry, geoscience, or physics.					
Chemistry Emphasis (31 units)					
CHEM 2200 - Organic Chemistry I (4)	4				
CHEM 2201 - Organic Chemistry Laboratory I (1)	1				
CHEM 3100 - Writing for Chemists (3)	3				
CHEM 3200 - Organic Chemistry II (4)	4				
CHEM 3500 - Quantitative Analysis (4)	4				
CHEM 3600 - Inorganic Chemistry (4)	4				
CHEM 4300 - Introduction to Biochemistry (3)	3				
NATS 4000 - Crosscutting Concepts in Natural Science	3				
NATS 4200 - Cultures of Science	3				
Upper Division Electives (2 units) <i>Select upper division CHEM course(s) as electives with advisor approval. A maximum of 3 units of directed study is allowed.</i>					
Elective					
Elective					
Geoscience Emphasis (30 units)					
BIOL 3200 - Professional Writing in the Biological Sciences (3)	3				
GEOG 2680 - Introduction to Geospatial Sciences (4)	4				
GEOG 4100 - Applied Climatology (3)	3				
GEOL 3010 - Mineralogy and Petrology (3)	3				
GEOL 3210 - Geology of Southern California (3)	3				
GEOL 4350 - Coastal Processes and Environments (3)	3				
NATS 4000 - Crosscutting Concepts in Natural Science	3				
NATS 4200 - Cultures of Science	3				
Upper Division Electives (5 units) <i>Select upper division GEOL or GEOG course(s) as electives with advisor approval. A maximum of 3 units of directed study is allowed.</i>					
Elective					
Elective					
Physics Emphasis (29 units)					
CHEM 3100 - Writing for Chemists (3)	3				
MATH 2130 - Calculus III (3)	3				
NATS 4000 - Crosscutting Concepts in Natural Science	3				
NATS 4200 - Cultures of Science	3				
Upper Division Electives (17 units) <i>Select upper division PHYS or MATH course(s) as electives with advisor approval. Must include one PHYS lab course. A maximum of two MATH courses is allowed. A maximum of 3 units of directed study is allowed.</i>					
Elective - PHYS laboratory course					
Elective					
Elective					
Elective					
Elective					
TOTAL SEMESTER UNITS REQUIRED	81				

GENERAL EDUCATION AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

GE Block and Area	Units	Transfer institution and equivalent course	Or Cal State L.A. course number and title	Term	Grade
LOWER DIVISION (39 units)					
A. English Language Communication and Critical Thinking (9 units)					
A1 Oral Communication	3				
A2 Written Communication	3				
A3 Critical Thinking and Composition	3				
B. Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning (9 units)					
Select three courses from at least two categories		NATS Option II majors satisfy by taking Core requirements for major			
B1 Physical Science with lab	6				
B2 Biological Science with lab					
B3 Interdisciplinary Physical-Biological Science					
B4 Quantitative Reasoning & Mathematical Concepts	3				
C. Arts and Humanities (9 units)					
C1 Arts	3				
C2 Humanities	3				
C AI U.S. History (American Institutions)	3				
D. Social Sciences (9 units)					
D	3				
D	3				
D AI U.S. Constitution and State/Local Govt (American Institutions)	3				
E. Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (3 units)					
IHE (cl)	3				
UPPER DIVISION (9 units) (at least one course designated (cl))					
B Natural Science and Quantitative Reasoning	3				
C Arts and Humanities	3				
D Social Sciences	3				
TOTAL SEMESTER UNITS REQUIRED	48				

Other Requirements	Units	Transfer institution and equivalent course	Or Cal State L.A. course number and title	Term	Grade
Diversity (d) or (re) (two courses, one course must be re)					
Writing Intensive (wi) (two courses) (NATS Option I majors satisfy by taking NATS 4950 and UD writing course in emphasis area)					
Civic Learning (cl) (upper division GE course)					
Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (must be satisfied prior to completion of 90 semester units)					