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**2025-2026  
CORE CURRICULUM &  
GRADUATION  
REQUIREMENTS  
CHECKLIST**

**NEVADA STATE UNIVERSITY**

*SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS, SCIENCES & BUSINESS*

**CORE CURRICULUM & GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

**CORE CURRICULUM**

Please refer to the **Nevada State (NS) catalog** for the full list of courses that can satisfy each of the Core Curriculum requirements below.

**ENGLISH.....3-8 CREDITS**

NS students can be placed into English courses by submitting ACT or SAT scores OR by completing the English Directed Self-Placement survey. Students often take Composition I during their first semester at NS and Composition II during the second semester. Students who complete Composition II will satisfy the full Core English requirement.

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Composition I Course..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_
- ENG 102 | Composition II Course..... Credits: 3

**STUDY AND TECHNOLOGY SKILLS.....0-3 CREDITS**

Transfer students with 30+ transferable college credits can waive this requirement.

- \_\_\_\_\_ | College Success Course..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_

**MATHEMATICS.....3-4 CREDITS**

NS students can be placed into Core Math courses by submitting ACT or SAT scores OR by completing the Math Directed Self-Placement survey. Please see your degree outline and/or consult an Academic Advisor regarding your specific major requirements.

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Math Core Course..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_

**NATURAL SCIENCES.....7-8 CREDITS**

Two science courses are required, at least one of which must include an associated laboratory (often a co-requisite 1-credit course).

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Natural Science Core Course..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ | Natural Science Core + Lab Course(s)..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_

**SOCIAL SCIENCES.....3 CREDITS**

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Social Sciences Core Course..... Credits: 3

**FINE ARTS.....3 CREDITS**

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Fine Arts Core Course..... Credits: 3

**HUMANITIES.....6 CREDITS**

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Humanities Core Course..... Credits: 3
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**CONSTITUTION.....3-6 CREDITS**

Complete either one US Constitution course AND one NV Constitution course OR complete one course that fulfills both US and NV Constitutions (CH 203 or PSC 101).

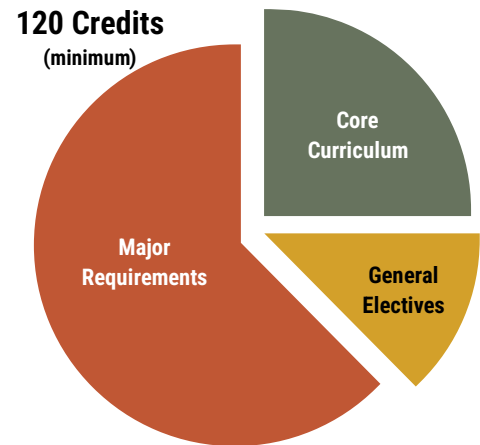
- \_\_\_\_\_ | NV Constitution Course..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ | US Constitution Course..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_

**CULTURAL DIVERSITY.....3 CREDITS**

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Cultural Diversity Core Course..... Credits: 3

**Certain Core and Graduation requirements may be satisfied by completing classes in your major.**

However, a single course cannot fulfill more than one **Core** requirement. Please ask an Academic Advisor for details.



**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

General elective courses may be needed to complete the graduation requirements if they are not met once the Core Curriculum and Major requirements are satisfied.

- NS GPA** | Minimum 2.0 GPA from NS courses is required. For students with transfer credits, minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA (NS + Transfer) is required.

- RESIDENCY RULE** | At least 30 upper division credits completed at Nevada State  
CREDITS COMPLETED: \_\_\_\_\_

CREDITS REMAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

- 120 CREDITS** | At least 120 credits from 100 level courses or above are required  
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CREDITS REMAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SCAN OR CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE CORE CURRICULUM INCLUDING A FULL LIST OF ELIGIBLE COURSES**

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**BIOLOGY B.S.** Cell & Molecular Biology Concentration

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (71 CREDITS)**

All courses used to fulfill major requirements must be completed with a minimum C-. Grades below a C- carry no credit towards major requirements.

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**BIOLOGY CORE COURSES.....21 CREDITS**

- BIOL 190A\*** | Intro to Cell & Molecular Biology (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- BIOL 190L\*** | Intro to Cell & Molecular Biology (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- BIOL 191A\*** | Intro to Organismal Biology (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- BIOL 191L\*** | Intro to Organismal Biology (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- BIOL 209\*** | Cell Processes..... Credits: 3
- BIOL 220/ ENV 220\*** | Intro to Ecological Principles..... Credits: 3
- BIOL 300A\*** | Principles of Genetics (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- BIOL 300L\*** | Principles of Genetics (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- BIOL 415\*** | Evolution..... Credits: 3

**RELATED MATH/SCIENCE COURSES.....34 CREDITS**

- CHEM 121A\*** | General Chemistry I (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- CHEM 121L\*** | General Chemistry I (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- CHEM 122A\*** | General Chemistry II (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- CHEM 122L\*** | General Chemistry II (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- CHEM 241\*** | Organic Chemistry I (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- CHEM 241L\*** | Organic Chemistry I (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- CHEM 242\*** | Organic Chemistry II (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- CHEM 242L\*** | Organic Chemistry II (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- CHEM 474\*** | Biochemistry I..... Credits: 3
- MATH 181\*** | Calculus I..... Credits: 4
- PHYS 151A\*** | General Physics I (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- PHYS 151L\*** | General Physics I (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- PHYS 152A\*** | General Physics II (Lec)..... Credits: 3
- PHYS 151L\*** | General Physics II (Lab)..... Credits: 1
- STAT 391\*** | Applied Statistics for Biological Sciences..... Credits: 3

**CONCENTRATION.....16 CREDITS**

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**NOTE: At least one course must be a 4-credit course that has a lab/field experience. No more than 6 total hours can come from: BIOL 399, BIOL 491, BIOL 492.**

**CELL & MOLECULAR BIOLOGY CONCENTRATION**

- BIOL 405L\*** | Molecular Biology..... Credits: 2
- BIOL 453\*** | Immunology..... Credits: 3

Select **11 credits** from the following courses: BIOL 306/CHEM 306\*, BIOL 330A\*, BIOL 330L\*†, BIOL 351A\*, BIOL 351L\*†, BIOL 398L\*†, BIOL 405\*, BIOL 409\*, BIOL 414\*, BIOL 416\*, BIOL 437\*†, BIOL 440\*, BIOL 448\*†, BIOL 457\*†, BIOL 460\*†, BIOL 470\*, BIOL 473\*, BIOL 475\*, BIOL 493\*, BIOL 494/ENV 494\*, BIOL 497\*/CHEM 496\*, CHEM 380\*, CHEM 456\*/BCH 456\*, CHEM 472\*†, or CHEM 475\*

† Indicates a course with a lab/field experience.

- \_\_\_\_\_ | Cell & Molecular Biology Elective..... Credits: \_\_\_\_\_
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**GENERAL ELECTIVES.....14-28 CREDITS**

General elective courses are taken to complete the minimum 120 credits needed for graduation. General elective courses cannot double-dip with any major requirements but can be fulfilled by minor requirements. If you declare a minor or additional major, please check with your academic advisor about related policies.

**NOTE: At least 30 credits of Upper Division course work must be completed at Nevada State University. Students in this program will need 1 credit of additional upper division electives to fulfill the Residency Graduation Requirement. Please see your academic advisor for guidance.**

GENERAL ELECTIVE CREDITS COMPLETED: \_\_\_\_\_

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