

# BIOLOGY

The Biology program prepares students for professional school, graduate school, or direct entry into a career in the biological sciences. A major in one of the biological sciences can lead you to exciting frontiers in the years ahead. Trend followers predict a growth in biological science careers well into this century. Individuals with many types of biology backgrounds will be needed to shape the future of our planet.

## PROGRAMS



### DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

- Bachelor of Science in Biology
- Bachelor of Science in Biology - Biomedical and Cellular Biology
- Bachelor of Science in Biology - Organismal Biology and Ecology
- Minor in Biology
- Master of Science in Biology

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Department of Biological Sciences offers programs for students preparing for careers in education, laboratory and field research, biotechnology, environmental sciences, medical laboratory sciences, cytotechnology, food science technology and pre-professional programs.

Students may elect to complete the general, non-specialized biology major or select one of the alternative specialized emphases.

## REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS



### SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Knowledge of General Biology
- Research Skills
- Data Analytics
- Natural Resources
- Laboratory Skills
- Critical Thinking

### CAREERS

- Scientist
- Microbiologist
- Lab Technician
- Pharmacist
- Veterinary Assistant
- Bioinformatics

### EMPLOYERS

- 3M
- Bio-Techne
- CVS Pharmacy
- Mayo Clinic Health System
- Lifecore Biomedical
- Minnesota Zoo

## INSPIRED ACTION



### EMPLOYMENT RATE

**92%**  
of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

Graduates: 497  
Respondents: 408  
[link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up](http://link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up)

### MEDIAN SALARY

**\$70,000**

The median annual wage for Biology occupations in May 2023.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Biology occupations, at [link.mnsu.edu/biology-salary](http://link.mnsu.edu/biology-salary)

### PROGRAM WEBSITE



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