Bachelor of Arts – BA degrees share the same structure with Liberal Arts degrees, providing a traditional “Arts & Sciences” experience.

Bachelor of Science & Arts – BSA degrees combine a science/mathematics major either with a 15 semester hour minor in a single field of study in colleges outside of Engineering, Geosciences, or Natural Sciences or with an 18-24 semester hour certificate.

Bachelor of Science – BS degrees are designed for specialists who want to concentrate up to 75% of their coursework in science and mathematics, including sub-field options in some programs.

The following major/degree combinations are offered, with multiple options in some BS plans (honors options generally are not available to transfer students):

- **Biochemistry** – BA, BSA, BS (option I-Biochemistry)
- **Biology** – BA, BSA, BS (options: I-Ecology, Evolution, & Behavior; II-Human Biology; III-Marine & Freshwater Science; IV-Microbiology & Infectious Diseases; V-Cell & Molecular Biology; VI-Neurobiology; VII-Plant Biology; VIII-Teaching; X-Computational Biology)
- **Environmental Science** – BS (option I-Biological Sciences)
- **Medical Laboratory Science** – BS
- **Neuroscience** – BSA, BS (option I-Neuroscience)
- **Public Health** – BS (options: I-Public Health, III-Advanced Program)

Prospective Natural Science transfer students are urged to become familiar with the College’s curricula and rules in the Undergraduate Catalog 2014–2016 at registrar.utexas.edu/catalogs/.

Transfer students from Texas community colleges are eligible to graduate under UT Austin catalog rules in effect during the time they attend the community college. Those declaring the 2014–2016 catalog must satisfy all degree requirements by the end of the summer session 2022, including at least sixty semester credit hours completed in residence at UT Austin.

Prospective students can monitor their UT degree progress and check degree applicability of transfer credit by using the “Planner” feature of UT’s Interactive Degree Audit (IDA) system at registrar.utexas.edu/students/degrees/ida/.

Recommended transfer courses are listed in Texas Common Course Numbering (TCCN) designations, a uniform system of field-of-study prefixes and four-digit numbers used by community colleges statewide. A course number’s first digit designates academic level (1 = freshman, 2 = sophomore) and the second digit specifies semester hour credit value.

Questions concerning degree/graduation requirements and degree applicability of transfer credit should be directed to the Transitional Advising Center, College of Natural Sciences, WCH 1.106, UT Austin, Austin TX 78712 (512/471-3796). Prospective student information is at www.cns.utexas.edu/students/future/.

Questions concerning transfer admission and transfer credit evaluation should be directed to the Undergraduate Admissions Center, John Hargis Hall, P.O. Box 8058, UT Austin, Austin TX 78713-8058 (512/475-7387). Admission information and Transfer Guides for other UT programs are at bealonghorn.utexas.edu/transfer/.

College of Natural Sciences admission is competitive. Preference is given to applicants who:

- select Natural Sciences as their first-choice major;
- have transfer credit for at least one course from MATH 2313, 2413, 2417, 1342, 1422, 2342, or 2442 with a grade of B– or better; and
- have transfer credit for at least two courses from BIOL 1406, BIOL 1407, CHEM 1411, CHEM 1412, PHYS 2425, or PHYS 2426 with grades of B– or better.
- Applicants with additional mathematics and science courses, as recommended in this Guide, are more competitive.
- Admission to the Environmental Science program requires completion of BIOL 1406, CHEM 1411, and MATH 2313, 2413, or 2417 with grades in each of at least C– and GEOL 1403 with a grade of at least B–. Applicants must select Environmental Science as their first choice major.

Core curriculum transfer credit from Texas community colleges is guaranteed to apply toward UT core requirements, but degree plans may specify how to fulfill some core requirements. Recommendations in this Guide satisfy core requirements with courses normally prescribed by a student’s major field of study at UT.

Courses in which grades lower than C– are earned do not transfer. Grades from transfer credit are excluded from a student’s internal UT Austin grade point average computation.

College Algebra (MATH 1314 or 1414) does not count toward degree requirements in the College of Natural Sciences, but grades and credit in the course count toward transfer admission.

Physical education activity courses do not count toward degree requirements in the College of Natural Sciences, but grades and credit count toward transfer admission.
Courses Recommended for Transfer

expressed in Texas Common Course Numbering designations. Courses used to fulfill area requirements below may not be taken on a pass/fail basis.

| Writing / Humanities | Literally – first (core) Writing Flag – ENGL 1301+1302.
|                      | Literature – one American, British, or world literature survey course chosen from ENGL 2321, 2322, 2323, 2326, 2327, 2328, 2331, 2332, or 2333.
|                      | Community colleges may consider higher-level literature courses.
|                      | Chemistry separately, for example CHEM 1311+1111.
|                      | CHEM 1311+1111 could be offered here.

| Foreign Language | For BA degrees: 4th semester proficiency
|                 | For BSA degrees: University Basic Education Requirement.
|                 | For BS degrees:
|                 | 2nd semester proficiency in Biology options I, III-VII, X; Environmental Science option I; Medical Laboratory Science; Public Health options I, III;
|                 | University Basic Education Requirement in Biochemistry option I; Biology options II, VIII; Neuroscience option I.
|                 | Proficiency levels defined:
|                 | • University Basic Education Requirement – in a single language, either two years of prior high school credit or 2nd semester proficiency in college-level coursework.
|                 | • 2nd semester proficiency – completion of courses numbered 1311, 1411, or 1511 and 1312, 1412, or 1512. SGNL 1301, 1401, or 1501 and 1302, 1402, or 1502 can also be counted.
|                 | • 4th semester proficiency – completion of courses numbered 2311 & 2312. SGNL 2301 & 2302 can also be counted.

| History / Government | United States History – two courses chosen from HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2327, 2328, and 2381.
|                      | American & Texas Government – GOVT 2305+2306.

| Social & Behavioral Science | For Biology BS option VI or Neuroscience BS option I: PSYC 2301.
|                            | For Environmental Science BS option I: ECON 2302.
|                            | For Public Health BS options I, III: one course chosen from ECON 2301, ECON 2302, or PSYC 2301.
|                            | For all other degrees & options: one course chosen from ANTH 2351; ECON 2301 or 2302; GEOG 1303; PSYC 2301*; SOCI 1301, 1306, or 2301; or TECA 1303. (*Preferred for teacher certification candidates.)

| Mathematics | For Biochemistry degrees: two calculus courses chosen from MATH 2413+2414 or 2417+2419.
|             | For Biology degrees –
|             | • BA, BSA, BS options IV, V, VII: one calculus course chosen from MATH 2413 or 2417.
|             | • BS options I, II, III, VI, VIII: two calculus courses chosen from MATH 2413+2414 or 2417+2419.
|             | • BS option X: a full calculus sequence chosen from MATH 2413+2414+2415 or 2417+2419.
|             | For Environmental Science BS: MATH 2413+2414 (or MATH 2417 alone).
|             | For Medical Laboratory Science BS: one calculus course chosen from MATH 2413 or 2417.
|             | For Neuroscience degrees –
|             | • BSA: MATH 2413+2414 (or MATH 2417 alone).
|             | • BS: a full calculus sequence chosen from MATH 2413+2414+2415 or 2417+2419.
|             | For Public Health BS: one calculus course chosen from MATH 2413 or 2417.

| Science & Technology | For Biochemistry (all degrees): BIOL 1406+1407, CHEM 1411+1412+2423, and PHYS 2425+2426.
|                     | For Biology – BIOL 1406+1407 and CHEM 1411+1412 in all degrees. Additionally…
|                     | • BA: a sequence chosen from CHEM 2423+2425+2426 or PHYS 1401+1402.
|                     | • BSA: two majors-level courses that can include CHEM 2423, CHEM 2425, GEOL 1403, GEOL 1404, PHYS 1401, PHYS 1402, PHYS 2425, or PHYS 2426 but also includes many other courses not offered at community colleges – students may choose to defer this requirement until enrolled at UT Austin.
|                     | • BS: CHEM 2423+2425 (required in all options except I, X); and a sequence chosen from PHYS 1401+1402 or (required in options V, X) PHYS 2425+2426.
|                     | For Environmental Science BS: BIOL 1406+1407, CHEM 1411+1412, GEOL 1403, and PHYS 2425.
|                     | For Medical Laboratory Science BS: BIOL 1406+1407 and CHEM 1411+1412+2423+2425.
|                     | For Neuroscience degrees: BIOL 1406+1407, CHEM 1411+1412, and PHYS 2425+2426.
|                     | For Public Health BS: BIOL 1406+1407 and CHEM 1411+1412+2423.

| Visual & Performing Arts | One course chosen from ARCH 1301, 1302, or 1311; ARTS 1301, 1303, or 1304; COMM 1307, 1335, or 2366; DRAM 1310, 2361, 2362, or 2366; or MUSI 1303, 1304, 1306, or 1310.

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