

# General Science



## Description

The General Science program provides students with a strong foundation in both science and mathematics. This program of study is appropriate for students interested in studying health-related careers, pre-pharmacy, biology, physical science or pre-engineering. The curriculum design is flexible, allowing a student to select an academic option that will be specific for his/her academic goal.

Upon completion of the General Science program, graduates will have acquired practical knowledge and skills for continuing education or employment in related fields.

## Educational Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the General Science program, the graduate is expected to:

- Demonstrate competency in accessing scientific information using basic scientific references and literature;
- Be capable of critical thinking and problem solving within his/her area of expertise;
- Demonstrate competency with laboratory techniques commonly encountered in an undergraduate laboratory setting;
- Demonstrate clear and organized written and oral skills in, and in reporting and explaining results of experiments;
- Apply the core concepts of introductory sciences to real world problems which require integrating these concepts to achieve the best solutions.
- Use their scientific educational experiences to provide a solid foundation for further study of the sciences or related fields.

## Program Mission

The mission of the Associate in Science degree in General Science is to provide students with a strong foundation in science and mathematics, thereby allowing the student the opportunity to transfer to a university in pursuit of a bachelor's degree, transfer to another community college program, or earn better entrance into a science related career.

## Transfer Outlook

Many students in the General Science program will continue their studies by transferring into a health or science degree program. Students should check the requirements of the transfer institution and meet with career and academic/transfer counselors for specific program planning.

## Career Opportunities

- Animal Care and Research Facilities
- Agricultural Research Facilities
- Bioscience Laboratories
- Biotechnology Companies
- Quality Control
- Plant Propagation and Greenhouse Facilities



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## General Science - Associate in Science Degree

### Health Occupations Option - Radiologic Technology

| Course #               | Course Title   | Credits   | Prerequisites (Co-requisites)  |
|------------------------|--|-----------|--|
| <b>FIRST SEMESTER</b>  |  |           |  |
| ___ ___                | BIO125 Health Science Seminar.....   | 1         |  |
| ___ ___                | BIO213 Anatomy and Physiology I.....   | 4         | Min. Accuplacer reading score of 80, completion of LEAP seminar, or successful completion of a college level laboratory science course |
| ___ ___                | ENG101 College Composition.....  | 3         | Placement test   |
| ___ ___                | MAT117 College Algebra.....  | 3         | Placement test   |
| ___ ___                | PHY111 Elements of Physics.....  | 4         | Minimum grade of "C" in MAT117 or MAT119   |
| <b>SECOND SEMESTER</b> |  |           |  |
| ___ ___                | BIO214 Anatomy and Physiology II.....  | 4         | Minimum grade of "C" in BIO213   |
| ___ ___                | COM104 Introduction to Communication<br><b>OR</b>                                    |           |  |
| ___ ___                | COM105 Interpersonal Communication.....  | 3         |  |
| ___ ___                | PHY213 Radiographic Physics.....   | 3         |  |
| ___ ___                | PSY101 Introduction to Psychology.....   | 3         |  |
| ___ ___                | _____ Humanities Elective.....   | 3         |  |
| <b>THIRD SEMESTER</b>  |  |           |  |
| ___ ___                | BIO101 Biology I.....  |           | See below  |
| ___ ___                | CHE112 General Chemistry I.....  | 4         | (MAT117 or equivalent mathematical aptitude)   |
| ___ ___                | BIO216 Pathophysiology and Principles of<br>Pharmacology for the Health Professional | 3         | BIO119, MAS121 or BIO214   |
| ___ ___                | CPT117 Software Applications I.....  | 3         | Computer ACCUPLACER score of 76 or greater, CPT018, or permission of instructor  |
| ___ ___                | PHI110 Introduction to Contemporary Ethics.....                                      | 3         |  |
| ___ ___                | PSY215 Developmental Psychology.....   | 3         | PSY101   |
| <b>FOURTH SEMESTER</b> |  |           |  |
| ___ ___                | BIO102 Biology II.....   |           | Minimum grade of "C" in BIO101   |
| ___ ___                | CHE115 General Chemistry II.....   | 4         | Minimum grade of "C" in CHE112   |
| ___ ___                | ENG218 Advanced Technical Writing.....   | 3         | A grade of "C" or higher in ENG101 or ENG108   |
| ___ ___                | MAT220 Statistics.....   | 3         | Minimum grade of "C" in MAT117   |
| ___ ___                | _____ Fine Arts or Language Elective.....  | 3         |  |
| ___ ___                | _____ Humanities Elective.....   | 3         |  |
|                        | <b>TOTAL CREDITS.....</b>  | <b>63</b> |  |

BIO101 prerequisite: Successful completion of a high school or adult education biology (within the past 5 years), satisfactory performance on the departmental placement test, or permission of instructor.

### Criteria for Graduation

Students must complete 63 credits in the General Science degree - Health Occupations (Radiologic Technology) option and achieve a minimum grade of "C" in all courses. Students must attain a final GPA of 2.0 or higher.

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