

**FRESHMAN****YOUR CLASS SCHEDULE**

- Take MATH 1411 as well as MATH 1312 or STAT 2480.
- Take BIOL 1305 and BIOL 1107 as well as BIOL 1306 and BIOL 1108.
- Take core curriculum courses.

**ACADEMIC ADVISING**

- Meet with your Academic Advising Center advisor during New Student Orientation.
- Attend a group advising session in the Bioscience Research Building conference room during your second semester. Group advising sessions are announced by email and advertised throughout the Department of Biological Sciences.
- Speak with your advisor about future career possibilities and set goals for your corresponding coursework.

**ENRICHING EXPERIENCES**

- Ask your advisor about joining a learning community.
- Join the Medical Professions Organization if you are planning a career in medicine.

**LIFELONG SUCCESS**

- Research options for your post-graduate career. Discuss graduate school with your advisor.
- Discover tutoring resources such as the University Writing Center and the Math Resource Center for Students.
- Register at the Career Center and obtain on-campus employment.
- Cultivate healthy lifestyle habits by visiting the Student Recreation Center.
- Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

**SOPHOMORE**

- Take CHEM 1305 and CHEM 1105 as well as CHEM 1306 and CHEM 1106.
- Begin taking courses for your language requirement.

- Attend group advising sessions in the Bioscience Research Building conference room. Group advising sessions are announced by email and advertised throughout the Department of Biological Sciences.
- Determine which courses you must take in order to reach your career goals.
- Visit the Academic Advising Center for a language placement exam.

- Investigate opportunities with RISE.
- Explore research positions with MARC.
- Apply during the second semester of your Sophomore year.
- Apply for summer research programs, which are advertised throughout the Bioscience Research Building.
- Discover volunteer opportunities through the Center for Civic Engagement.

- Visit the University Career Center to develop your resume or CV.
- Identify scholarship opportunities through the Office of Scholarships.
- Reach out to the Medical Professionals Institute if you are planning a career in medicine, podiatry, dentistry, veterinary medicine, optometry, or a physician's assistant program. Begin shadowing early if preparing for medical school.

**JUNIOR**

- Take 3000-level major courses.
- If planning to attend medical school, be sure to take the courses required for professional school. Consult your pre-health advisor for pre-health requirement.
- Complete your language requirements.
- Consider how to focus your university electives in order to maximize your degree.

- Attend group advising sessions in the Bioscience Research Building conference room. Group advising sessions are announced by email and advertised throughout the Department of Biological Sciences.
- Ask your advisor about taking entrance exams for graduate or professional school, such as the MCAT or GRE this year.
- Consult your degree plan for required courses. Pay special attention to classes that are only offered once a year.

- Locate clubs relevant to your professional and academic interests.
- Apply for summer research programs, which are advertised throughout the Bioscience Research Building.
- Seek internship opportunities and investigate interning abroad.
- Participate in Project Move.
- Look for opportunities for peer leadership.

- Prepare for any necessary examinations for graduate or professional school. Set exam dates for the summer before Senior year in preparation for interviews and applications.
- Prepare all necessary applications for graduate and professional school.
- Ask your advisor about enrolling in a fast track graduate program.

**SENIOR**

- Take 4000-level major courses.
- If planning to attend medical school, be sure to take the courses required for professional school. Consult your pre-health advisor for pre-health requirement.
- Complete 120 hours of coursework in order to be eligible for graduation.

- Attend group advising sessions in the Bioscience Research Building conference room. Group advising sessions are announced by email and advertised throughout the Department of Biological Sciences.
- Apply for graduation by the deadline.

- Apply to present your research at a regional or national conference.
- Explore internship opportunities with organizations.

- Submit applications for graduate or professional school during the fall and winter of your Senior year.
- Attend career fairs in the fall and spring if pursuing employment.
- Reach out to UTEP faculty and mentors to secure references for graduate/professional school applications or employment efforts. Send out your CV when requesting a reference or letter of recommendation.
- Visit the University Career Center for a mock interview and resume/CV review.

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**EDGE ADVANTAGES | UTEP students will graduate with these skills:**

- Leadership
- Problem-solving
- Communication
- Entrepreneurship
- Social Responsibility
- Confidence
- Global Awareness
- Teamwork
- Critical Thinking

