



**Sample Degree Plan  
Master of Science  
Biology  
Thesis**

		<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		
<b>First Year</b>		<b>Course Information</b>	<b>Credit Hrs</b>		<b>Course Information</b>	<b>Credit Hrs</b>
		BIOL 5000 – Methods of Biological Research	4		BIOL Guided Elective	4
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		<b>TOTAL SCH</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>TOTAL SCH</b>	<b>11</b>

		<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>		
<b>Second Year</b>		BIOL Guided Elective	4		BIOL 5915 – Seminar in Biology	1
		BIOL Guided Elective	2-4		BIOL 5735 – Contemporary Issues in Biology	3
		BIOL 5990 – Thesis	2		BIOL 5990 – Thesis	4
		<b>TOTAL SCH</b>	<b>8-10</b>		<b>TOTAL SCH</b>	<b>8</b>

\*Given the number of BIOL electives, students must obtain course approval from their academic advisor within the Department of Biology.