ANIMAL BIOLOGY

Animal Sciences students study reproduction, genetics, nutrition, physiology, growth, behavior, biotechnology, and management of livestock species. They also study animal sourced food processing. Increasingly, Animal Sciences students also take additional courses in communication, education, business economics, environmental science, and data science. Animal Sciences graduates often work with the science and business of producing domestic livestock species or animal-related products. Many Animal Sciences students prepare to pursue veterinary studies or graduate studies for future work with companion animals, livestock, or other species.

About this Program

- **College:** Agricultural and Life Sciences (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/)
- **Degree:** Bachelor of Science
- **Specializations:** Animal Biology (p. 1) | Equine (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/ANS_BS/ANS_BS02/) | Food Animal (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/ANS_BS/ANS_BS03/) | Integrative Animal Sciences (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/ANS_BS/ANS_BS08/#text)
- **Credits for Degree:** 120

To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.

Department Information

The Department of Animal Sciences creates new solutions to tomorrow's problems in the areas of teaching, research, and extension, by integrating the most modern technologies available with personal expertise and attention to the needs of both students and industry.
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Curriculum

- Animal Genetics Certificate
- Animal Sciences
- Combination Degrees

This specialization is for students who wish to pursue professional or graduate programs. Students who plan to apply to the UF College of Veterinary Medicine in the equine, food animal, or mixed-practice tracks are encouraged to select electives from Animal Sciences livestock production courses. Career preparation can be strengthened through electives. By choosing appropriate electives, students can earn certificates, a minor, or a dual-major in other fields.

By choosing appropriate electives, students can earn a minor or a dual-major in agribusiness management, extension education or agricultural operations management while completing the degree requirements for the equine or food animal specialization.

Critical Tracking

Critical Tracking records each student's progress in courses that are required for progress toward each major. Please note the critical-tracking requirements below on a per-semester basis.

Equivalent critical-tracking courses as determined by the State of Florida Common Course Prerequisites (https://cpm.flvc.org/advance-search/) may be used for transfer students.

Semester 1

- Complete 1 of 5 critical-tracking courses, excluding labs: BSC 2010 and BSC 2010L, BSC 2011 and BSC 2011L, CHM 2045 and CHM 2045L, CHM 2046 and CHM 2046L, MAC 1147
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 2

- Complete 1 additional critical-tracking course, excluding labs
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 3

- Complete 1 additional critical-tracking course, excluding labs
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 4

- Complete 2 additional critical-tracking course, excluding labs
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 5

- Complete all critical-tracking courses, including labs
- Complete CHM 2210 with minimum grade of C attained within two attempts (including withdrawals)
- Complete ANS 3006 and ANS 3006L
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 upper division GPA required
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 6

- Complete ANS 3043 or ANS 3319C
- 2.0 upper division GPA required
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 7

- Complete ANS 3043 or ANS 3319C
- 2.0 upper division GPA required
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 8

- Complete MCB 3020 and MCB 3020L
- 2.0 upper division GPA required
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Model Semester Plan

To remain on track, students must complete the appropriate critical-tracking courses, which appear in bold. These courses must be completed by the terms as listed above in the Critical Tracking criteria.

This semester plan represents an example progression through the major. Actual courses and course order may be different depending on the student's academic record and scheduling availability of courses. Prerequisites still apply.

Course	Title	Credits
Semester One		
CHM 2045 & 2045L	General Chemistry 1 and General Chemistry Laboratory (**Critical Tracking**; State Core Gen Ed Biological and Physical Sciences)	4
ENC 1101	Expository and Argumentative Writing (State Core Gen Ed Composition (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext); Writing Requirement)	3
State Core Gen Ed Humanities (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext)		3

Elective		3
	Credits	**13**
Semester Two		
Quest 1 (Gen Ed Humanities)		3
AEC 3030C or SPC 2608	Effective Oral Communication or Introduction to Public Speaking	3
CHM 2046 & 2046L	General Chemistry 2 and General Chemistry 2 Laboratory (**Critical Tracking**; Gen Ed Physical Sciences)	4
ECO 2013	Principles of Macroeconomics (State Core Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext))	4
ENC 1102	Argument and Persuasion (Gen Ed Composition)	3
	Credits	**17**
Semester Three		
Quest 2 (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)		3
AEC 3033C or ENC 2210	Research and Business Writing in Agricultural and Life Sciences (Writing Requirement) or Technical Writing	3
BSC 2010 & 2010L	Integrated Principles of Biology 1 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory (**Critical Tracking**; Gen Ed Biological Sciences)	4
Electives		6
	Credits	**16**
Semester Four		
BSC 2011 & 2011L	Integrated Principles of Biology 2 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 2 (**Critical Tracking**; Gen Ed Biological Sciences)	4
MAC 1147	Algebra and Trigonometry (**Critical Tracking**; State Core Gen Ed Mathematics)	4
Gen Ed International		3
Electives		4
	Credits	**15**
Semester Five		
ANS 3006 & 3006L	Introduction to Animal Science and Introduction to Animal Science Laboratory (**Critical Tracking**)	4
ANS 3440	Principles of Animal Nutrition	4
CHM 2210	Organic Chemistry 1 (**Critical Tracking**)	3
Elective		3
	Credits	**14**
Semester Six		
ANS 2934 or ANS 2090	Careers in Animal Sciences or Survey of Veterinary Professions	2
ANS 3319C	Reproductive Physiology and Endocrinology in Domestic Animals (**Critical Tracking**)	4
CHM 2211 & 2211L	Organic Chemistry 2 and Organic Chemistry Laboratory	5
Approved elective		3
	Credits	**14**
Semester Seven		
ANS 3043	Growth and Development of Farm Animals (**Critical Tracking**)	3
BCH 3025 or BCH 4024	Fundamentals of Biochemistry [1] or Introduction to Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	4
STA 2023	Introduction to Statistics 1 (Gen Ed Mathematics)	3
Approved elective		3
Elective		3
	Credits	**16**
Semester Eight		
MCB 3020 & 3020L	Basic Biology of Microorganisms and Laboratory for Basic Biology of Microorganisms (**Critical Tracking**)	4
ANS 3384C	Genetics of Domestic Animals	3
Approved elective		2
Electives		6
	Credits	**15**
	Total Credits	**120**

[1] BCH 3025 does not meet Veterinary, Medical, or Dental School requirements.

Approved Electives

Students must take a minimum of 8 credits of ANS courses in addition to the ANS courses listed in the model semester plan; 4 credits each of lecture and laboratory courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Lecture		
ANS 2002	The Meat We Eat	3
ANS 2090	Survey of Veterinary Professions	2
ANS 3008	Domestic Animal Behavior and Welfare	3
ANS 2615C	Introduction to livestock and meat evaluation	3
ANS 2934	Careers in Animal Sciences	2
ANS 3216	Introduction to Equine Science	3
ANS 3251	Biology and Management of Dairy Cattle	3
ANS 3384C	Genetics of Domestic Animals	3
ANS 3404C	Food Animal Nutrition and Feeding	4
ANS 3405	Equine Nutrition and Feeding Management	2
ANS 4243	Beef Cow-Calf Management	5
ANS 4245	Beef Background and Feedlot Management	2
ANS 4382	Equine Genetics	2
ANS 4701	Physiology of the Mammary Gland and Lactation	2
ANS 4931	Senior Seminar	1
ANS 4318C	Equine Reproductive Management	3
ANS 4623C	Pork Production	3
VME 4103	Livestock Health/Disease Prevention	2
Laboratory		
ANS 3217C	Equine Health Management	2
ANS 3239L	Techniques in Equine Science	2
ANS 3246L	Beef Production Practicum	2
ANS 3250L	Dairy Cattle Practicum	2
ANS 3613C	Value determination of meat animals	3
ANS 3634C	Meats	3
ANS 4079C	Relationship of Form to Function in Horses	3
ANS 4212L	Techniques in Farrier Science	1-2
ANS 4231	Practicum in Horse Management and Training Technique	1
ANS 4240C	Discovery of Sustainable Cattle Systems	2
ANS 4389L	Molecular Techniques in Domestic Animal Genetics	2
ANS 4635C	Meat Processing	3

Academic Learning Compact

Animal sciences majors receive a broad education in the healthy production of animals and animal products. Students' knowledge will be developed through formal courses, laboratories and field trips and will be applied in internships, team projects and presentations. Students will develop the ability to apply conceptual knowledge to solve problems in animal production and to make management decisions.

Before Graduating Students Must

Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

Students in the Major Will Learn to

Student Learning Outcomes | SLOs

Content

1. Describe and explain fundamental concepts, skills and processes in animal sciences.
2. Apply fundamental concepts, skills and processes in animal sciences.

Critical Thinking

3. Critically evaluate information (or data) in animal sciences.
4. Solve problems in animal sciences.

Communication

5. Effectively communicate in written form in a manner appropriate in animal sciences.
6. Effectively communicate orally in a manner appropriate in animal sciences.

Curriculum Map

I = Introduced; R = Reinforced; A = Assessed

Courses	SLO 1	SLO 2	SLO 3	SLO 4	SLO 5	SLO 6
AEC 3030C						I, R, A
AEC 3033C					I, R, A	
ANS 3006	I	I			R	
ANS 3043	I, R, A	I, R, A	I	R	R	
ANS 3319C	I, R, A	I, R, A	I	I, R	R	
ANS 3384C	I, R, A	I, R, A	I, R, A	I, R, A	R	
ANS 3440	I, R, A	I, R, A	I, R, A	I, R, A	R	

Assessment Types

- Case studies
- Lab projects
- Exams
- Quizzes and tests
- Papers
- Presentations
- Non-exam course assignments