NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES

The major in nutritional sciences encompasses all aspects of the consumption and utilization of food and its constituents and how these affect health and disease of individuals and populations.

About this Program
• **College:** Agricultural and Life Sciences
• **Degree:** Bachelor of Science
• **Credits for Degree:** 120

**Related Food Science and Human Nutrition Programs**
- Bachelor of Science in Dietetics
- Bachelor of Science in Food Science
- Food Science minor
- Nutritional Sciences minor

Critical Tracking
Critical Tracking records each student’s progress in courses that are required for entry to 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 may be used for transfer students.

**Semester 1**
- Complete CHM 2045/CHM 2045L or MAC 2311
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

**Semester 2**
- Complete CHM 2045/CHM 2045L and MAC 2311
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

**Semester 3**
- Complete CHM 2046/CHM 2046L and BSC 2010/BSC 2010L
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

**Semester 4**
- Complete BSC 2011/BSC 2011L
- 2.5 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses
- 2.0 UF GPA required

**Model Semester Plan**
To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.

The nutritional sciences curriculum develops a strong, broad background in the biological sciences, and provides an excellent foundation for graduate study/research in nutrition, health and many other life sciences. Its requirements also closely match the prerequisites for most professional schools. As a result, graduates from this curriculum have entered medical, dental, pharmacy, osteopathis, podiatry, optometry, chiropractic, physician assistant, veterinary and other professional programs. Other career opportunities include pharmaceutical sales, extension nutrition education, nutrition policy development and employment with government agencies. Nutritional sciences is one of the majors available to students accepted into the Junior Honors Medical Program or the Honors Combined BS/DMD Program.

Course
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<td>General Chemistry 1 and General Chemistry 1 Laboratory (Critical Tracking; State Core Gen Ed Biological and Physical Sciences)</td>
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<td>MAC 2311</td>
<td>Analytic Geometry and Calculus 1 (Critical Tracking; State Core Gen Ed Mathematics)</td>
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State Core Gen Ed Composition; Writing Requirement | 3
State Core Gen Ed Humanities | 3
Elective | 1

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<th>Semester Two</th>
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<td>AEB 2014</td>
<td>Economic Issues, Food and You (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)</td>
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<td>AEB 3103</td>
<td>Principles of Food and Resource Economics (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)</td>
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<td>BSC 2010 &amp; 2010L</td>
<td>Integrated Principles of Biology 1 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 1 (Critical Tracking; Gen Ed Biological Sciences)</td>
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<td>CHM 2210</td>
<td>Organic Chemistry 1 (minimum grade of C required within two attempts, including withdrawals)</td>
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<td>STA 2023</td>
<td>Introduction to Statistics 1 (Gen Ed Mathematics)</td>
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Gen Ed Composition | 3
Nutritional Sciences

State Core Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences 3

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)

CHM 2211 & 2211L
Organic Chemistry 2 and Organic Chemistry Laboratory

HUN 2201
Fundamentals of Human Nutrition 3

Elective 3

Credits 15

Semester Five

AEC 3030C
Effective Oral Communication 3

BCH 3025 or BCH 4024
Fundamentals of Biochemistry or Introduction to Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

FOS 3042
Introductory Food Science 3

PHY 2053 & 2053L
Physics 1 and Laboratory for Physics 1

Credits 15

Semester Six

HUN 3403
Nutrition through the Life Cycle 2

Select one: 3-4

PCB 3063
Genetics

AGR 3303
Genetics

MCB 4304
Genetics of Microorganisms

PCB 4522
Molecular Genetics

PHY 2054 & 2054L
Physics 2 and Laboratory for Physics 2

Electives 5

Credits 15-16

Semester Seven

HUN 4445
Nutrition and Disease: Part 1 2

PCB 4723C or APK 2105C
Physiology and Molecular Biology of Animals or Applied Human Physiology with Laboratory

Approved science course 3-4

Approved science laboratory 1-2

Select 4 elective credits 4

Credits 14-17

Semester Eight

AEC 3033C
Research and Business Writing in Agricultural and Life Sciences (Writing Requirement) 3

HUN 4221
Nutrition and Metabolism 3

HUN 4446
Nutrition and Disease: Part 2 3

MCB 3020 & 3020L
Basic Biology of Microorganisms and Laboratory for Basic Biology of Microorganisms

Elective 3

Credits 16

Total Credits 120

Additional electives may be needed to complete the 120 credits required for graduation.

Academic Learning Compact

Nutritional sciences integrates knowledge of biological principles to interpret emerging knowledge of cellular and physiological systems. Students’ knowledge of biochemical processes and nutrient functions will enable them to interpret effects of changes in nutrient availability on metabolic functions. Students will utilize their knowledge of nutrient requirements, food sources and physiological systems to determine nutrient and dietary needs of individuals in various life-cycle stages and/or with nutrition-related diseases.

Before Graduating Students Must

• Satisfactorily complete three examinations in HUN 4221. Examinations will be developed, approved and evaluated by a faculty committee.
• Achieve minimum grades of C in AEC 3030C and AEC 3033C. These courses are graded using rubrics developed by a faculty team.
• Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

Students in the Major Will Learn to

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

Content
1. Use knowledge of nutrient functions, food sources and physiological systems to determine nutrient and dietary needs of individuals in various life-cycle stages and/or with nutrition-related diseases.
2. Use knowledge of biochemical processes and nutrient functions to interpret effects of changes in nutrient availability.
3. Integrate knowledge of biological principles to interpret emerging knowledge of cellular and physiological systems.

Critical Thinking
4. Analyze data and interpret results in the nutritional sciences.

Communication
5. Create, interpret and analyze written text, oral messages and multimedia presentations used in agricultural and life sciences.

Curriculum Map

I = Introduced; R = Reinforced; A = Assessed

Courses SLO 1 SLO 2 SLO 3 SLO 4 SLO 5
AEC 3030C I, R, A
AEC 3033C I, R, A
BCH 3025 R R R R
HUN 2201 I I I I
HUN 3403 R R R
HUN 4221 A A A
HUN 4445 R R R R
HUN 4446 R R R R

Assessment Types

• Exams
• Speeches
• Papers