

Biological Systems Engineering (EBSE) B.S. Degree Requirements, 2023-2024

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Note: Curriculum and courses offerings are subject to change. You must fulfil the degree requirements stated in the catalog of the year you graduate or the year immediately prior. For additional detail on courses and requirements, please visit the course supplement located in [the UC Davis Catalog](#).

General Education Requirement

This requirement is partially satisfied with coursework completed for the Biological Systems Engineering degree. A detailed GE checklist can be found [here](#).

Biological Systems Engineering — Lower Division Requirements

Units	Course	Course Title	Prerequisites: *C- or better required, MTC = May Take Concurrently	Quarters Offered	Suggested Quarter
ENGLISH COMPOSITION - Select ONE of the following courses:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	UWP 1/Y/V	Expository Writing	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENL 3	Introduction to Literature	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	COM 1	Bks of West Civ/Ancient World	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	COM 2	Bks of West Civ/ Mid-Age Engl	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	COM 3	Bks of West Civ/Modern Crisis	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	COM 4	Bks of Contemporary World	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	NAS 5	Intro to Native American Lit	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 1
MATHEMATICS					
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	MAT 21A	Calculus	Math Placement Exam Score: Total: 35+, Trig: 3+	F W S 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	MAT 21B	Calculus	MAT 21A	F W S 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	MAT 21C	Calculus	MAT 21B	F W S 3
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	MAT 21D	Vector Analysis	MAT 21C	F W S 4
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	MAT 22A	Linear Algebra	MAT 21C, ENG 6 (MTC)	F W S 5
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	MAT 22B	Differential Equations	MAT 22A	F W S 6
GENERAL CHEMISTRY					
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	CHE 2A	General Chemistry	Chemistry Placement Exam Score: 24+	F W 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	CHE 2B	General Chemistry	CHE 2A	W S 3
PHYSICS					
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	PHY 9A	Classical Physics	MAT 21B	F S 3
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	PHY 9B	Classical Physics	MAT 21C, MAT 21D (MTC), PHY 9A	F W 4
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	PHY 9C	Classical Physics	MAT 21D, MAT 22A (MTC), PHY 9B	W S 5
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES					
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	BIS 2A	Essentials of Life	CHE 2A (recommended)	F W S 4
ENGINEERING SCIENCE					
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	EBS 1	Foundations of Bio. Sys. Engr.	Restricted to BSE Majors	F 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 6 OR ECS 32A	Application of Computers	MAT 21A*, MAT 21B* (MTC)	F W S 2 F W S 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 35	Statics	PHY 9A*, MAT 21D* (MTC)	F W S 4
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	EBS 75	Prop. of Matls. in Bio. Sys.	BIS 2A, PHY 9B (MTC)	W 5
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 17	Circuits	MAT 21C	F W S 6
ORAL COMMUNICATION - Select ONE of the following courses:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	CMN 1 OR ENG 3	Intro. to Public Speaking	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 6
			Interpersonal Com. Competence	ELWR Satisfied	F W S 6
ORGANIC CHEMISTRY					
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	CHE 8A	Organic Chemistry	CHE 2B*	F S 7
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	CHE 8B	Organic Chemistry	CHE 8A/118A	F W 8

Biological Systems Engineering — Upper Division Requirements

Units	Course	Course Title	Prerequisites: *C- or better required, MTC = May Take Concurrently	Quarters Offered	Suggested Quarter
STATISTICS					
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	STA 100	Applied Stats for Biol Scientists	MAT 21B*	F W S 7
ENGINEERING TOPICS					
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	ENG 100	Electronic Circuits & Systems	ENG 17	F W S 8
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 102	Dynamics	MAT 22B*, ENG 35*	F W S 7
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 103	Fluid Mechanics Fundamentals	MAT 22B*, ENG 35*, PHY 9B*	F W S 8
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 104	Mechanics of Materials	MAT 22B*, ENG 35*	F W S 9
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 105	Thermodynamics	MAT 22B*, PHY 9B*	F W S 7
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	ENG 106	Engineering Economics		W 11
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	EBS 125	Heat & Mass Transfer in Bio. Sys.	EBS 75, BIS 2A, ENG 103, ENG 105	S 9
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	EBS 127	Mass Transfer & Kinetics	EBS 125	F 10
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	EBS 130	Dyn Model of Proc in Bio Sys	MAT 22B*, ENG 6, EBS 75	W 8
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	EBS 165	Bioinstrumentation and Control	ENG 100	F 10
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	EBS 170A	Engr Design & Prof. Respon.	EBS 1, ENG 102, ENG 104	F 10
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 1	EBS 170 B & EBS 17BL	Engr Projects: Design	EBS 170A; concurrent enrollment in EBS 170BL	W 11
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 1	EBS 170 C EBS 170 CL	Engr Projects: Design Eval.	EBS 170B; concurrent enrollment in EBS 170CL	S 12
BIOLOGICAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING ELECTIVE (EBS) – Minimum of 4 units					
<input type="checkbox"/> Select any upper division EBS courses not otherwise required for the major, EXCEPT EBS 189-199.					
ENGINEERING ELECTIVES – Minimum of 8 units					
<input type="checkbox"/> Select three units from any upper division courses within the College of Engineering EXCEPT ECI 123, 188; ENG 160; courses numbered 190-197, 199 (ENG 190 may only be taken for 2 units of engineering elective credit).					
<p>Acceptable subject codes: ENG, EBS, BIM, ECH, EMS, ECI, ECS, EEC, EME, EAE</p> <p>College of Engineering Elective Course Tips:</p> <p><i>BIM-Biomedical Engineering – Most require BIS 2A or BIS 2B</i></p> <p><i>EAE-Aerospace Science & Engineering – Most courses require upper-division ENG courses</i></p> <p><i>ECH-Chemical Engineering – Most non-required ECH courses will have their pre-reqs already satisfied</i></p> <p><i>ECI-Civil & Environmental Engineering – Most upper-division courses require ENG 35</i></p> <p><i>ECS-Computer Science Engineering – Most require a programming course/series &/or ENG 17</i></p> <p><i>EEC-Electrical & Computer Engineering – Most upper-division courses require ENG 17</i></p> <p><i>EME-Mechanical Engineering – Most upper-division courses require upper-division ENG courses.</i></p> <p><i>EMS-Materials Science & Engineering – most upper-division courses require ENG 45</i></p> <p><i>ENG-Engineering – Most upper-division courses require ENG 35</i></p>					
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES – Minimum of 9 units					
<input type="checkbox"/> Select three units from any upper division course with the College of Biological Sciences EXCEPT BIS 132; EVE 175; EXB 102, 112, 115, 120, 121, 124, 125, 148; and all courses number 190-199.					
The following courses may also be taken as biological sciences electives: BIS 2B, BIS 2C; ABT 161; ANS 118, 143, 144, 146; ATM 133; AVS 100; BIS 2B, 2C; CHA 101, 101L; ENT 100; ENH 102; ESM 120; ESP 100, 110, 155; ETX 101, 131; FST 102A, 104L, 119, 128, 159; IDI 141; SSC 100; WFC 121.					
Acceptable subject codes: BIS, MCB, EVE, EXB, MIC, NPB, PLB					
Students may choose other upper division courses with substantial biological content offered by the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences; email BAEAdvising@ucdavis.edu with a syllabus and short explanation about why the course should be considered for biological science elective credit for approval before registering.					
Upper Division English Composition (must pass course with C- or higher) – Select one (1) of the following courses:					
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	UWP 101	Advanced Composition	UWP 1; Upper Division Standing	F W S 8-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	UWP 102E	Writing in Engineering	UWP 1; Upper Division Standing	F W S 8-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	UWP 104A	Business Reports & Technical Communications	UWP 1; Upper Division Standing	F W S 8-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	UWP 104T	Technical Writing	UWP 1; Upper Division Standing	F W S 8-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	UWP 104E	Writing in the Professions: Science	UWP 1; Upper Division Standing	F W S 8-10
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	UWP 104F	Writing in the Health Profession	UWP 1; Upper Division Standing	F W S 8-10