

Biology Department Petition

Date _____ Name _____

The Biology Department developed sequential core classes to cultivate knowledge of biological concepts and to build lab, writing and analytic skills necessary for success in upper division electives. To support student academic success by ensuring students are prepared for the work required, petitions are granted only under exceptional circumstances.

BIO 201 and 202 require successful completion of CHE 107 and 141. Students who have not passed these Chemistry courses by the end of sophomore year will not be able to complete the major in four years. Students can successfully petition only one level 300-course if the core (BIO101 through BIO 202) has not been completed.

Major _____ Overall GPA in all college science and MCS courses _____

Advisor (printed) _____ Instructor of proposed course (printed) _____

Check one of the following. I am seeking to:

- a) take a core course out of sequence _____ b) take a Biology elective without pre-requisites _____

Course you are petitioning for enrollment _____

If you checked a) or b) above and are a Biology major, list four college lab-based science courses with your grade. If you are not a Biology major list all your college science-based lab courses with your grade.

College Science lab-based courses	Grade
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

Minimum GPA required for science courses = 3.0

Attach a rationale. Please describe all the reasons that lead you to make this request. Include how taking this course as requested helps you reach your stated goals. Include four year plans that show remaining courses: 1) with and 2) without the proposed course.

Attach a current degree audit.

Signature of your Biology Dept. advisor or the Depart Chair if not a major _____

Due date: *prior* to fall or spring registration for the course under petition; petitions will not be entertained for courses that are at maximum enrollment already Approval does not guarantee that adequate space exists for enrollment. Biology majors are given priority for all courses, and their place in an advanced course will supersede enrollment by petition. Petitions submitted after registration period may be considered if spaces in the class exist. Plan ahead; petitions can take up to three weeks to process.

Turn into Jennifer Kruse (NHS 223)

Reviewed by Petitions Committee &/or Biology Dept	Date Approved _____	Denied _____
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