

Bachelor of Science in Conservation Biology Research Track (122 Cr.) Four-Year Curriculum Plan

Suggested four-year plan for freshmen entering LMU Fall 2021. Always consult LMU's Undergraduate Catalog and discuss with your academic advisor every semester prior to registering for classes. Timing of courses may deviate from this plan based on

First Year — Fall Semester	Cr.
CBIO 194 Pre-conservation Seminar	1
ENGL 101 Composition I*	3
UACT 100 Strategies for College Success*	1
BIOL 111 General Biology I & Lab*#	4
Prerequisite: ACT/SAT reading score of 23 placement in ENG 101 or higher, OR successful completion of BIOL 100	
SOCI or PSYC 100*#	3
CHEM 111 General Chemistry I & Lab#	4
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) in Math 105, Math 115, or Math 120 or a Math ACT of 21, Fall	

Total Credits 16

You should be exploring opportunities to participate in service initiatives.
 Have you joined a club? Think about the Wildlife Society or Earth Club

Second Year — Fall Semester	Cr.
History Requirement*	3
ENGL 240 or 250*	3
Prerequisite for PHIL 430	
ISYS 100 Computer Literacy*	2
Conservation Biology Elective#	4
MATH 270 Probability & Statistics#	3
BIOL 290 Writing in the Life Sciences#	1
Total Credits	16

- You should be exploring career opportunities and internships
- Keep track of the number of 300/400 level courses you take. You need to complete at least 42 credits for graduation

Third Year — Fall Semester	Cr.
PHIL 330 or 430 Ethics#	3
Prerequisite: ENGL 240 or 250	
Biodiversity: Invertebrate Option#	4
See page 2 for choices	
Conservation Biology Elective [#]	4
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BIOL 370 Ecology & Lab [#]	4
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with	
labs, Fall	
CBIO 397/X JR Research Seminar#	1
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of ENGL 102 or equivalent	

Total Credits 16

- Make plans to take graduate school entrance exams (e.g. GRE) Identify graduate programs and/or internships in the field of interest
- Fourth Year Fall Semester Cr. Biodiversity: Plant Option# 4 Biodiversity: Vertebrate Option# 4 Conservation Biology Elective# 4 CBIO 421 Geographic Info. Systems I# 3 Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of ISYS 100, Fall even years 2 CBIO 483 UG Research in Con Bio#

Total Credits 17

- Complete the Intent to Graduate form during your Academic Advising Meeting.
- Start applying to graduate programs and searching for jobs in field of interest

First Year — Spring Semester	Cr.
ENGL 102 Composition II*	3
Prerequisite for BIOL 290 LNCN 100 Lincoln's Life & Legacy*	1
BIOL 112 General Biology II & Lab*# Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 with lab	4
CHEM 112 General Chemistry II & Lab# Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better of CHEM 111 with lab, Spring	4
MATH 150 Calculus I Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of MATH 120 or ACT sub-score of 26 or higher	4
Total Credits	16

Think about how you can explore career options during the summer			
Second Year — Spring Semester	Cr.		
History Requirement*	3		
Biodiversity: Vertebrate Option [#] See page 2 for choices	4		
BIOL 315 Molecular Genetics & Lab# Prerequisite: Successful completion (Cor better) of BIOL 111 and 112 and CHEM 111 with labs	4		
BIOL 380 Research Design & Analysis [#] Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of MATH 270, BIOL 111 and 112 with labs	3		
CBIO 200 Conservation Biology [#] Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs,	3		

 Narrow down career options. Gather information on what is needed to achieve those careers, i.e. internships, experience, professional/graduate school

Total Credits

17

Third Year — Spring Semester	Cr.
COMM 200 Fund Speech & Comm.*	3
Fine Arts Elective*	3
Elective of Student's Choice	3
Conservation Biology Elective [#] See page 2 for choices	3
ECON 212 or 213 Micro/Macroeconomics#	3
Total Credits	15

- Study for graduate school exams and take exams over the summer
- Apply for summer internships in field of interest or research experiences

Fourth Year — Spring Semester	Cr.
BIOL 410 Evolution [#]	3
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs, Spring odd years	
CIVX 300 American Civics*	2
Conservation Biology Elective#	3
CBIO 400 Conserv Bio. App. & Analy.#	3
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 200, 370 with labs and two biodiversity courses, Spring	
CBIO 422 Geographic Info Systems II#	3
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of CBIO 421, Spring odd years	
CBIO 483 UG Research in Con Bio#	1
CBIO 497/Z Senior Research Seminar#	1
Total Credits	16

- Look for opportunities to present research
- Apply to jobs in career interest, if entering the workforce

*LMU Core Curriculum Requirement: See LMU undergraduate catalog for details

Major-Specific Requirement/Collateral Requirement: These courses must be passed with at least a C- or better to progress in the program. See LMU catalog for specific grade requirements.

Course Options for Program Track Electives

Biodiversity Invertebrate Options Must select one of the following courses	Cr.	
BIOL 340 Invertebrate Zoology	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs, Fall		
BIOL 350 Entomology Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with	4	
labs, Fall even years • If the course has a corresponding laboratory course, the laboratory course MUST		
be taken		
 Must be passed with a C- or better to progress in the program. 		

Biodiversity Plant Options	Cr.
Must select one of the following courses	
BIOL 320 Principles of Botany	4
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs, Spring	
BIOL 330 Field Botany	4
Prerequisite: completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs, Fall	
If the course has a corresponding laboratory course, the laboratory course has taken.	e MUST

Biodiversity Vertebrate Options Must select two of the following courses	Cr.
CBIO 330 & Lab Ichthyology Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 with labs, Fall odd years	4
CBIO 340 & Lab Herpetology Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 with labs, Fall odd years	4
CBIO 350 & Lab Ornithology Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 with labs, Spring even years	4
CBIO 360 & Lab Mammalogy Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 with labs. Fall even years	4

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Credit Hour Requirements

In order to graduate you need to complete a minimum of 122 credit hours. At least 42 of these hours must be at the 300/400 level. Track your hours in each of these categories as you progress to ensure timely completion of the program.

	# of credit hours				
Semester	Current semester	300/400	Total Earned (Add all semesters)	Total 300/400 (Add all semesters)	Cumulative GPA
1 st Yr. Fall					
1 st Yr. Spring					
2 nd Yr. Fall					
2 nd Yr. Spring					
3 rd Yr. Fall					
3 rd Yr. Spring					
4 th Yr. Fall					
4 th Yr. Spring					

Conservation Biology Electives Must select fifteen credits from the following courses		
BIOL 311 Integrated Vertebrate A&P I	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs and		
CHEM 111 and 112 with labs, Fall		
BIOL 312 Integrated Vertebrate A&P II Prerequisite: completion (C- or better) of BIOL 311 with labs, Spring	4	
BIOL 336 General Microbiology	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs and	•	
CHEM 111 and 112 with labs, Spring		
BIOL 360 Immunology	3	
BIOL 441 Biochemistry I	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and 112 with labs and CHEM 221 and 222 with labs, Fall		
BIOL 442 Biochemistry II	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 442 with lab, Spring		
BIOL 450 Molecular Cell Biology	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 315 with lab and BIOL 441,		
Spring CBIO 210 Wildlife Management	3	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 with labs,	,	
Fall		
CBIO 220 Freshwater Fisheries Management	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 with labs, Spring even years		
CBIO 250 Soils	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of CHEM 111 with Lab, Fall odd		
CBIO 370 Land Use & Environmental Policy	3	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of CHEM 111 with lab, Fall odd	3	
years		
CBIO 410 Environmental Issues in Appalachia	3	
Offered as needed	3	
CBIO 420 Wetland Ecosystems Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 370 with lab, Fall even years	3	
CBIO 430 Terrestrial Ecosystems	3	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 370 with lab, Spring even		
years		
CBIO 440 Freshwater Ecosystems	3	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 370 with lab, Spring odd years		
CHEM 221 Organic Chemistry I	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of CHEM 112 with lab, Fall		
CHEM 222 Organic Chemistry II	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of CHEM 222 with lab, Spring		
CHEM 230 Environmental Chemistry Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of CHEM 220 with lab, Spring	4	
GEOG 300 Environmental Geography	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of ENGL 102 and Gen Ed core	7	
curriculum, Behavioral and Social Sciences		
GEOG 440 Geography of Appalachia	3	
Prerequisite: Successful completion of ENGL 102 or its equivalent		
PHYS 211 General Physics I Prerequisite: Math ACT sub-score of 26 or higher, or (2) successful completion (grade	4	
of C- or better) in MATH 120 Trigonometry, or (3) successful completion (grade of C-		
or better) in MATH 150 Calculus I	Λ	
PHYS 212 General Physics II Prerequisite: successful completion (grade of C- or better) in PHYS 211	4	
VHS 300 Vet. Parasitology & Entomology	4	
Prerequisite: Successful completion (C- or better) of BIOL 112 with lab and Junior	т	
Standing		

Career Exploration			
Career	Description	Career Preparation – internship, research experience, coursework, etc	Career Qualifications
			BS
			MS
			PhD
			Certifications