

The recommended four-year plan is designed to provide a blueprint for students to complete their degrees within four years. These plans are the recommended sequences of courses. Students will work with their Academic Advisor to develop a more individualized plan to complete their degree.

The GC Journeys Program will transform your way of thinking and experiencing college. By participating in five inside and outside the classroom transformative experiences during your time at Georgia College, you will step outside of your usual surroundings, gain authentic experiences, solve problems, become a leader, participate in real-world settings and put ideas into action. Examples of ways to incorporate your GC Journeys options are shared in the plan below.

This recommended Four-Year Plan is applicable to students admitted during the 2020-2021 academic year.

Total Credits Required: 120 credits

Required GPA for Graduation: 2.0 (Need at least a C in all Biology major required courses)

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Year 1											
Fall				Spring				Summer			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area	Notes			
GCSU 0001	First Year Academic Seminar: Biology**	1		BIOL 1108	Principles of Biology II	3	F	GC Journeys: First-Year Experience events, programs, and activities will be planned throughout the first year to help you become familiar with GC and develop skills to thrive in the liberal arts environment. GC Journeys: Career Milestones for year one will be completed in First-Year seminar.			
BIOL 1107	Principles of Biology I	3	F	BIOL 1108L	Principles of Biology II Lab	1	F				
BIOL 1107L	Principles of Biology I Lab	1	F	ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3	A				
ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3	A	MATH 1113	Precalculus	3	A				
CHEM 1211K	Principles of Chemistry I	4	D	CHEM 1212K	Principles of Chemistry II	4	D				
GC1Y 1000	Critical Thinking	3	B								
Total		15		Total		14					

MATH 1112 or higher is required for Area A Math for BIOL majors. Requires a grade of C or better.
GCSU 0001 does not count towards 120 credit hour graduation requirement.
Area A and GC1Y 1000 must be completed by 30 earned hours.

Year 2											
Fall				Spring				Summer			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area	Complete study abroad for summer (e.g. GC2Y 2000).			
BIOL 2100	Genetics	4	F	BIOL 2800	Ecology	4	F	Notes			
CHEM 3361/L	Organic Chemistry I + lab	4	Cognate	CHEM 3362/L	Organic Chemistry II + Lab	4	Elec	Electives can be in any discipline and any level (1000-4000, unless specified as upper level).			
Core Choice	Area C1 Humanities	3	C	GC2Y 2000	Global Perspectives	4	B				
Core Choice	Area E Social Science Choice 1	3	E	Core Choice	Area E Social Science Choice 2	3	E	GC Journeys: Begin lab research or discuss opportunities with faculty. Apply for leadership positions. Volunteer, shadow, internship.			
ELEC XXXX	Elective	3	Elec								
Total		17		Total		15					
BIOL 2100, BIOL 2800, and GC2Y 2000 must be taken between 30-59 earned hours.											
Year 3											
Fall				Spring				Summer			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area	Consider completing capstone internship or study abroad. Consider internships, shadowing, and volunteering.			
BIOL 3200	Cellular & Molecular Physiology	3	Major	BIOL 3000	Seminar	2	Major	Notes			
MATH 1261/1401	Calculus I or Statistics	4 or 3	D	CHEM 3510	Biochemistry	3	Elec	Upper level BIOL courses are student's choice. They can be 3000 or 4000 level (18 hours needed).			
PHYS 1111	Intro to Physics I	3	Cognate	PHYS 1112	Intro to Physics II	3	F/Elec				
PHYS 1111L	Intro to Physics I Lab	1	Cognate	PHYS 1112L	Intro to Physics II Lab	1	F/Elec	Elective course can be used to fulfill the 2 hours at 1000/2000 level needed in Area F Major Directed Requirements.			
Foreign Lang	Foreign Language 1001 Level	3	F. Lang	Foreign Lang	Foreign Language 1002 Level	3	Major				
BIOL 3700	Evolution	3	Major	BIOL 3400	Organismal Physiology	3	Major	GC Journeys: Continue research. Pursue internships and/or REUs. Take pre-professional exams (e.g. MCAT).			
Total		16/17		Total		15					
Senior Capstone can only be completed when 90 or more credit hours have been earned											

Year 4										
Fall				Spring				Summer		
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area	Notes		
BIOL Course	Upper Level (3000-4000) BIOL	4	Major	BIOL Course	Upper Level (3000-4000) BIOL	4	Major	GC Journeys: Capstone Options-Course, internship, study abroad (Chair approval), or research (Research is two semesters). Begin applying to pre-professional programs.		
BIOL Course	Upper Level (3000-4000) BIOL	4	Major	BIOL Course	Upper Level (3000-4000) BIOL	4	Major			
CAPSTONE	Capstone	3	Major	BIOL Course	Upper Level (3000-4000) BIOL	3	Major			
Core Choice	Area E Social Sciences Choice 3	3	E	Core Choice	Area C2 Fine Arts	3	C			
Total		14		Total		14				

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Area **This section of the plan references the area of the curriculum the course fulfills.**

- A=Core Area A: Communication and Quantitative Skills
- B=Core Area B: Institutional Options
- C=Core Area C: Humanities and Fine Arts
- D=Core Area D: Science, Technology, and Math
- E=Core Area E: Social Sciences
- F=Core Area F: Major Directed Core
- Major=Major Required Course
- Elective=a course a student chooses to help meet overall graduation hours.