The School of Biological Science Physiology program offers training in mammalian, cellular and comparative physiology, pharmacology, and human anatomy. Students majoring in physiology are encouraged to gain research experience under faculty supervision. The undergraduate major provides general rather than specialized training in physiology. To become a professional physiologist usually requires the completion of an advanced degree in the field. An undergraduate major in physiology would provide an excellent foundation for those planning a career in teaching or research or a medical field such as medicine, dentistry, veterinary science, nursing or medical technology. Students considering a major in Physiology should discuss their program with the Program Director for Undergraduate Studies in Physiology. A grade of C or better is required in every Physiology course used to satisfy departmental requirements for a degree in Physiology. A student cannot repeat a course or its equivalent in which a grade of B or better was earned without the consent of the department.

### Bachelor of Science in Physiology Degree Requirements

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<td>Requirements for Major in Physiology</td>
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¹ University Core Curriculum Requirements include 13 credit hours from I, II, and III, plus 16 credit hours from III, for a total of 29 credit hours.

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1. Total of fourteen hours of biology, chemistry, mathematics and physiology elective course work are accounted for in the 41-hour Core Curriculum requirement.
2. If two years of a foreign language are taken to complete this requirement, the total hours will be 16. The elective hours are reduced by 10 hours.
3. Prerequisite is MATH 111 or MATH 108 and MATH 109. The elective hours are reduced by 4 hours for students who place into a course lower than calculus.

### Physiology Minor

A minor in physiology requires completion, with at least a C grade, of PHSL 410A, PHSL 410B (8 hours) and eight hours of 300 or 400-level courses offered by the department.

### Junior-Senior Honors Program

Juniors who have shown outstanding ability in biology courses and related subjects in their freshman and sophomore years may apply for acceptance into the honors program. Honors students do independent study in the physiological sciences (PHSL 491) during their junior and senior years.

### Physiology Courses

**PHSL201 - Human Physiology** 201-3 Human Physiology. (University Core Curriculum) A course which relates the normal function of the human body to the disruptions which occur in a variety of disease states. Three lecture hours per week. Not open to students who have taken 310. With 208 (if not used for health) satisfies University Core Curriculum Science Group II requirement.

**PHSL208 - Lab Experiences in Physiology** 208-1 Laboratory Experiences in Physiology. (Advanced University Core Curriculum course) Laboratory course which provides experiences with small animal experimentation and measurements made on the human subject. One two-hour laboratory per week. Prerequisite: completion of, or current enrollment in, PHSL 201. With 201 (if not used for health) satisfies the University Core Curriculum Science Group II requirement. Lab fee: $20.


**PHSL240B - A & P for Nursing** 240B-4 Anatomy & Physiology for Nursing. A-B Sequence. Functional architecture of the human body. Continuation of A. Endocrine, Circulatory, Respiratory, Digestive and
Urinary systems. Three hours lectures and one three-hour laboratory per week. Not for major credit. 
Prerequisites: PHSL 240A. Restricted to Pre-Nursing and Nursing majors. Lab fee: $25.

**PHSL257 - Concurrent Work Experience** 257-1 to 6 Concurrent Work Experience. Under exceptional 
circumstances, and with prior approval of the departmental chair, credit may be granted for practical 
experience or other work directly related to physiology. Mandatory Pass/Fail.

**PHSL258 - Previous Work Experience** 258-1 to 6 Previous Work Experience. Under exceptional 
circumstances, and after petition to the departmental chair, credit may be granted for practical experience 
or other work directly related to physiology. Mandatory Pass/Fail.

**PHSL259 - Occupational Education Credit** 259-2 to 8 Occupational Education Credit. Under special 
circumstances, advanced training in a paramedical or other field directly related to physiology can 
be used as a basis for granting credit in physiology. Such credit is sought by petition to the chair of 
department and requires approval of dean of the College of Science.

**PHSL301 - Basic Anatomy w/ Lab** 301-4 Basic Human Anatomy with Laboratory. Lectures, 
demonstrations and observations of the prosected body, plus experiences in the anatomy laboratory. 
Course is designed for students in nursing, mortuary science, biological science, and related disciplines. 
Three lecture hours and one two-hour laboratory per week. Lab fee: $20.

**PHSL310 - Principles of Physiology** 310-5 Principles of Physiology. (Advanced University Core 
Curriculum Course) Beginning course in human physiology designed for majors in physiology and other 
biological sciences, and recommended to pre-medical and other students considering biological sciences 
and health professions. Three lectures per week, one-hour discussion and one two-hour laboratory. 
Satisfies the University Core Curriculum Human Health requirement in lieu of 201. Prerequisites: CHEM 
200, 201, 202 and 210, 211, 212 with grades of C or better. Lab fee: $20.

**PHSL320 - Reproduction & Sexuality** 320-3 Reproduction and Sexuality. (Same as WGSS 321) 
Comprehensive course examining the physiological basis of mammalian reproduction and the behavioral 
aspects of sexuality. Human sexuality and reproductive function is the primary focus. Topics include 
hormonal control, anatomy, ovulation, sexual response and behavior, fertilization, pregnancy and 
parturition. Human specific topics include reproductive medicine, STDs, paraphilias, birth control and 
infertility. Prerequisite: BIOL 211.

**PHSL401A - Adv Human Anatomy w/Lab** 401A-5 Advanced Human Anatomy with Laboratory. A-
B sequence. Laboratory dissection of the human body with lectures as needed. Primarily for 
students majoring in physiology, biological sciences, anthropology or pre-medical fields. Prerequisite: PHSL 301. 
Enrollment by consent of instructor. Lab fee: $20.

**PHSL401B - Adv Human Anatomy w/Lab** 401B-5 Advanced Human Anatomy with Laboratory. A-
B sequence. Laboratory dissection of the human body with lectures as needed. Primarily for 
students majoring in physiology, biological sciences, anthropology or pre-medical fields. Prerequisite: PHSL 301. 
Enrollment by consent of instructor. Lab fee: $20.

**PHSL410A - Mammalian Physiology** 410A-4 Mammalian Physiology. Physical and chemical 
analysis and function in mammals, with emphasis on the human. Physiology of blood and circulation, 
respiration, digestion, metabolism, excretion, endocrines, sensory organs, nervous systems, muscle and 
reproduction. Primary course for all students majoring in physiology or related sciences. Four lectures per 
week. May be taken in any sequence. Prerequisite: CHEM 210, 211, 212; PHYS 203B and PHYS 253B 
or PHYS 205B and PHYS 255B; PHSL 310 with grades of C or better.

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or PHYS 205B and PHYS 255B; PHSL 310 with grades of C or better.

**PHSL412 - Teaching Methods** 412-2 Teaching Methods and Strategies. This online course is designed 
to introduce instructional theories and methods to students interested in teaching physiology or
other similar subjects. It will provide coverage of various methods of classroom instruction, course
management, assessment and evaluation. Students should finish the course prepared to be competent in
critical teaching practices for lecture and lab courses as well as being proficient in promoting diversity and
inclusiveness in the classroom.

**PHSL420A - Principles of Pharmacology** 420A-3 Principles of Pharmacology. Examines basic
principles of pharmacology (pharmacokinetics) and the action of various classes of drugs on living
organisms. Drug classes covered include those affecting most organ systems of the human body, such
as the nervous, cardiovascular, gastrointestinal and renal systems as well as drugs used for antibiotic and
cancer chemotherapy. Three lectures per week. Prerequisites: PHSL 310 or PHSL 410A,B, CHEM 340
and CHEM 341 (or equivalent) with grades of C or better.

**PHSL420B - Principles of Pharmacology** 420B-3 Principles of Pharmacology. Examines basic
principles of pharmacology (pharmacokinetics) and the action of various classes of drugs on living
organisms. Drug classes covered include those affecting most organ systems of the human body, such
as the nervous, cardiovascular, gastrointestinal and renal systems as well as drugs used for antibiotic and
cancer chemotherapy. Three lectures per week. Prerequisites: PHSL 310 or PHSL 410A,B, CHEM 340
and CHEM 341 (or equivalent) with grades of C or better.

**PHSL426 - Comparative Endocrinology** 426-3 Comparative Endocrinology. (Same as ANS 426, ZOOL
426) Comparison of mechanisms influencing hormone release, hormone biosynthesis, and the effects of
hormones on target tissues, including mechanisms of transport, receptor kinetics, and signal transduction.
Prerequisites: PHSL 310 or ANS 331 or ZOOL 220 with a grade of C. Laboratory/Field Trip fee: $15.

**PHSL430 - Cellular & Molecular Physiology** 430-3 Cellular and Molecular Physiology. This course will
examine the molecular and cellular aspects of physiology, with special emphasis on the experiments
used to examine the regulation of gene expression, protein activities, and cellular functions in eukaryotes.
Topics include: mechanisms regulating gene expression, signaling pathways, cancer biology, and the use
of experimental model organisms. Prerequisite: BIOL 211 & BIOL 213 or CHEM 350 & 351.

**PHSL433 - Comparative Physiology** 433-3 Comparative Animal Physiology. (Same as ZOOL 433)
Variations of the physiological processes in animal phyla, comparison with human physiology, and review
of basic physiology principles and comparative aspects of mechanism and function. Prerequisite: BIOL
211, BIOL 212 & BIOL 213 or PHSL 310 with a grade of C or better.

**PHSL440A - Biophysics** 440A-3 Biophysics. Biomathematics, biomechanics and biotransport. Three
lectures per week. Prerequisites: MATH 141 or 150; PHSL 310; PHYS 203 A&B and 253 A&B or PHYS
205 A&B and 255 A&B. May be taken in B,A sequence with consent of instructor.

**PHSL440B - Biophysics** 440B-3 Biophysics. Bioelectrics and bio-optics applied to physiological
problems. Three lectures per week. Prerequisites: MATH 141 or 150; PHSL 310; PHYS 203 A&B and 253
A&B or PHYS 205 A&B and 255 A&B. May be taken in B,A sequence with consent of instructor.

**PHSL450 - Advanced Human Sexuality** 450-3 Advanced Human Sexuality. (Same as WGSS 449)
Advanced, comprehensive course intended to supplement and expand the critical examination of
topics covered in PHSL 320. Reproduction and Sexuality. The objectives of this class are to examine
the physiological and behavioral basis of human reproduction and sexuality. Examining how humans
reproduce from a physiological perspective including all aberrations and clinically relevant dysfunctions,
as well as, the spectrum of human sexual behaviors including typical and atypical sexual behavior,
paraphilias and diversity of human relationships. Prerequisite: PHSL 320.

**PHSL460 - Electron Microscopy** 460-2 Electron Microscopy. Lecture course designed to introduce the
student to the theory and principles of electron microscopy. Two lecture hours per week. Restricted to
senior standing or permission of instructor.

**PHSL462 - Biomedical Instrumentation** 462-3 Biomedical Instrumentation. Diagnostic and therapeutic
modalities related to engineering. Cardiovascular, neural, sensory and respiratory instrumentation.
Special approval needed from the instructor.

**PHSL470 - Biological Clocks** 470-3 Biological Clocks. Study of the temporal aspects of diverse
physiological and behavioral functions which possess diurnal and sectional periodicity. Species covered
will include many eukaryotic organisms including plants, but will mainly stress mammals. Oscillations in sleep-wake cycle, locomotion, reproduction, hormonal secretion and numerous other processes will be explored. In addition, the effects of biological clocks in humans and the effect of jet lag and depression will be examined. Prerequisite: PHSL 310.

PHSL480 - Cancer Journal Club 480-2 to 6 (2,2,2) Cancer Journal Club. Goal of the journal club is to discuss current primary journal articles about cancer, often with an emphasis on ovarian cancer. Each semester a theme is selected to guide selection of articles. Grade is based on: 1) presentation; 2) participation; 3) short essay on each journal article that is discussed. Each student presents at least one journal article per semester and is expected to participate in the discussion of each paper that is presented. Faculty and graduate students also present articles for discussion to provide examples of how to read and discuss primary scientific literature. Prerequisite: PHSL 310 with a B or better or concurrent enrollment.

PHSL490 - Senior Seminar 490-1 Senior Seminar. Readings, writings, presentations and discussions of current topics in physiology. One hour per week. Not for graduate credit. Restricted to senior standing or consent of instructor.

PHSL491 - Independent Research for Honors 491-3 to 8 Independent Research for Honors. Supervised readings and laboratory research in physiology directed by a member of the physiology faculty. Undergraduate honors students only. By special arrangement with the instructor in the physiology department with whom the student wishes to work.

PHSL492 - Special Problems in Physiology 492-1 to 8 Special Problems in Physiology. Supervised readings and laboratory research in physiology directed by a member of the physiology faculty. Open to undergraduate students only. By special arrangement with the instructor in the physiology department with whom the student wishes to work. No more than 3 hours may be counted as electives towards the major in physiology.

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