



Bachelor of Science in Natural Sciences

120 CREDITS

At least 30 credits must be at the upper level

ARTS AND SCIENCES REQUIREMENTS

CREDIT HOURS

▶ Written English Requirement	6
▶ General Education Requirement Distribution Areas (27 credits minimum) ^①	
Humanities ^②	9
Social Sciences/History	9
Natural Sciences/Mathematics ^③	9
▶ Arts and Sciences Electives ^④	27
TOTAL CREDITS FOR ARTS AND SCIENCES REQUIREMENTS At least 21 credits at the upper level	60

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

CREDIT HOURS

▶ Applied Professional Credits or Additional Arts and Sciences ^④	59
▶ Information Literacy	1
TOTAL CREDITS FOR OTHER REQUIREMENTS	60

Within the required 120 degree credits, the natural sciences component will be:

Required: 33 credits minimum with at least 18 at the upper (advanced) level and a minimum 2.0 GPA.

Note: All Science courses must have been completed more recently than 10 years prior to entrance into the degree program.

▶ I. Core Requirements		
A. Course in statistics or calculus	C. Introductory-level course in the physical sciences with or without a laboratory component	E. Natural Sciences Capstone ^⑤
B. Introductory-level course in biology with laboratory component	D. Research and Writing in the degree	
▶ II. Optional Concentration Area (choose one)		
A. Biology		
B. Without Concentration		
TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS REQUIRED		120

^① Credits used to satisfy requirements in one area may simultaneously satisfy requirements in another area.

^② Three (3) credits are required in disciplines such as art, music, and philosophy. A 3-credit ethics course may fulfill the ethics requirement and the humanities requirement. (Refer to the general education section on catalog page 3 for a detailed explanation of the humanities requirement.)

^③ A minimum of 2 credits must be in mathematics and 2 credits must be in the natural sciences.

^④ A portion of these credits will be used to complete credits needed for the degree component.

^⑤ Capstone course must be taken at Excelsior College and cannot be transferred in.