The undergraduate program in natural sciences is founded on a curriculum that emphasizes the interrelationships among the sciences. A program of study in the natural sciences requires that students select an option within the degree and complete all courses required within the option, as well as sufficient science elective courses to meet minimum unit requirements for graduation.

Students accepted into this flexible degree program select one of three options. The general sciences option is designed for students who are interested in understanding the interrelationships among various scientific fields, or in teaching science at the secondary level. The pre-health professions option is designed to meet the admission requirements of specific professional schools in medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine. The environmental sciences option is designed to prepare students for graduate school or for employment in the private or public sector.

The natural sciences program is administered by the Department of Biological Sciences. Upon acceptance to the major the student will be assigned an academic advisor from the Department of Biological Sciences in accordance with the student’s declared option. Students are strongly encouraged to consult with their academic advisors to determine which electives best suit their career requirements.

**Program of Study**

**Bachelor of Science**

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