BIOLOGY

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Major: Biology
Degrees Offered: M.S., Ph.D.

Graduate Degree Programs
The M.S. in Biology allows students to increase their knowledge of biology and become involved with graduate-level research in biology without the long-term commitment of a Ph.D. program. The work is personally designed by each student in consultation with an adviser. Breadth of training is encouraged.

Admission
The Master of Science in Biology Program is being phased out and is no longer accepting applications or transfer students.

Financial Aid
Financial assistance is not available to M.S. students through the program.

Master of Science in Biology
To maintain active status in the program students must register for 12 credit hours in 400- or 500-level biology courses per semester. If a student has a teaching or research appointment he or she may register for 8 credit hours. A research report or thesis is required of all candidates for the degree. To maintain active status in the program students must register for 12 credit hours in 400- or 500-level biology courses per semester. If a student has a teaching or research appointment he or she may register for 8 credit hours. A research report or thesis is required of all candidates for the degree.

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Other Requirements ¹
Other requirements may overlap
Minimum 500-level Hours Required 12

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¹ For additional details and requirements refer to the program requirements (http://www.life.illinois.edu) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook).