Biotechnology

Associate in Science

DIVISION OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATHEMATICS

Our Biotechnology program is internationally renowned and offers exciting, hands-on, and research-based study in this rapidly expanding scientific area. Through participation in national research collaborations, students are trained in the scientific disciplines most in demand by the biotechnology industry, academic and government laboratories, including the latest technologies related to DNA, RNA and Proteins, mammalian and plant cell culture, High-Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC), biologics development, gene therapy, and latest gene-editing techniques including CRISPR. These techniques will also provide a strong foundation for students who are willing to pursue their careers in four-year colleges/universities or advanced R & D laboratories. Since our biotechnology program is a research-based and peer mentoring intensive program structured to engage nontraditional students, our curriculum uses inquiry-based laboratories, and internships in world-renowned institutions to confer in-depth scientific knowledge to students.

Upon successful completion, the Associate in Science Degree in Biotechnology is awarded.

PROGRAM FOOTNOTES

Computer Science Electives:

CS 100 Computers and Technology, CS 110 Introduction to Computer Science, CS 123 Python Programming

Humanities Electives:

Art, Communication, English (EN 103 or higher), ESL (ES 100 or higher; up to 6 credits), Film, Foreign Language, Humanities, Literature, Music, Oral Communication, Philosophy, Photography, Sign Language, Theater Arts

Social Science Electives:

Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Government, History, Law, Psychology, Sociology

A grade of C or higher is required for all Biotechnology (BT) courses.

Quantitative skills are a MassBay graduation competency for associate degree programs. Prior to graduation, students must demonstrate this competency by completing a 100-level math course (not MAC); or placing into a 200-level mathematics course.

This program qualifies as an Alternative Transfer Agreement (MassTransfer) with select public institutions in Massachusetts. For more information, visit www.mass.edu/masstransfer.

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
First Year	Semester 1	
BI 110	Principles of Biology I w/ Lab	4
BT 101	Introduction to Biotechnology	3
CH 110	Principles of Chemistry I w/ Lab	4
EN 101	English Composition I	3
MA 102 *	College Algebra	3
	credits:	17
First Year	Semester 2	
BI 120	Principles of Biology II w/ Lab	4
	or	
BI 240	Forensic Microbiology	4
BT 201	Cell Culture	3
CH 120	Principles of Chemistry II w/ Lab	4
	Computer Science Elective	3/4
EN 102	English Composition II	3
	credits:	17/18
Second Year	Semester 1	
BI 210	Molecular Biology	4
	or	
BI 246	Molecular and Developmental Biology	4
BT 215	Gene Expression Laboratory Course	3
CH 201	Organic Chemistry I w/ Lab	4
V C	Humanities Elective	3
1	credits:	14
Second Year	Semester 2	
BI 220	Immunology w/ Lab	4
CT 100	Critical Thinking	3
CH 210	Biochemistry I w/ Lab	4
	Social Sciences Elective	3
	credits:	14
Second Year	Summer	
BT 240	Biotechnology Internships	4
	Total Credits:	66/67

^{*}Pre-Calculus Mathematics (MA 104) may be substituted.