

M.S. in Biological Sciences

Students may pursue the Master's degree under either Plan A or Plan B. Plan A requires the completion of 30 credits of acceptable graduate-level coursework and thesis credits, with the exact proportion of credits determined for each student by their graduate advisor and committee. Under Plan B, a 4-credit project and 26 credits of acceptable graduate-level coursework must be completed. Master's candidates must take an oral comprehensive exam near the completion of their graduate program.

Required curriculum will be tailored to the needs and interests of each student in consultation with their graduate adviser and committee.

Research Experience

Plan A (thesis option) Master's degree students gain research experience through their thesis and are expected to submit the results of their thesis work to at least one journal or conference.

Plan B (project option) Master's degree students gain some research experience in the context of their project.