Biological Sciences
Declaration of Minor Form

Please submit this form to the Office of Undergraduate Biology, 216 Stimson Hall

Applicable to those students who matriculated Fall 2013 and thereafter

(Majors ineligible for the minor: Animal Sciences; Biology & Society; Entomology; Human Biology, Health & Society; Environmental Science and Sustainability-Environmental Biology and Applied Ecology; Nutritional Sciences; Plant Sciences)

Name: ___________________________________________ Major: ______________________________

Cornell ID# (7-digit): _____________________________ NetID: ________________________________

Phone: __________________________________________ College: _____ Graduation date: ________

Requirements:
21 CREDITS OF APPROVED BIOLOGY COURSE WORK CHOSEN FROM THE FOLLOWING:

- BioG 1440, 1445
- BioG 1500, BioSM 1500
- BioMG 1350
- BioEE 1610, BioSM 1610
- BioEE 1780, BioSM 1780
- Any 2000-level or higher Biological Sciences courses (BioXX prefix courses)

Guidelines:
INELIGIBLE COURSES INCLUDE:

- BioG 1003-1078, 1200, 2000, 2200, 2990, 3010, 3020, 4040, 4080, 4980, 4990 (may be used toward lab req; see below)
- BioMG 1290
- BioMI 1120, 1720, 4980
- BioNB 1220
- BioPL 1120, 2210, 2400, 2490
- Any BioXX 1250

- One course worth 2 credits or more must be a laboratory or field course. Up to 3 credits of BioG 4990 may be used to fulfill this requirement. BioG 2990 may not be used.

- Only 2 courses may be used to fulfill both the biology minor requirements and the student’s major requirements.

- Advanced Placement credits earned in biology may not be used toward the 21 credits required for the minor.

- Once a student is matriculated, all courses for the minor must be taken at Cornell. External transfer students and study abroad students may apply up to 4 credits at another institution to count toward minor requirements.

- All courses for the minor must be taken for a letter grade unless a course is offered S/U only.

Courses taken (or to be taken) for the minor: _____________________________________________

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I have thoroughly read the requirements and guidelines above and confirm that the courses I have taken (or will take) meet these specifications: ______________________________ 

Student signature

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OUB Advisor signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Certified for Minor: ___ Y ___ N
Eligibility for a Minor in Biological Sciences

The minor in Biological Sciences has been designed to provide students with significant flexibility to choose courses of interest within biology. Students enrolled in any of Cornell’s seven undergraduate colleges may declare the minor; however, the following majors are ineligible to minor in Biological Sciences: Animal Sciences; Biology & Society; Entomology; Human Biology, Health & Society; Environmental Science and Sustainability (Environmental Biology and Applied Ecology); Nutritional Sciences; Plant Sciences.

To complete the Minor in Biological Sciences, students must submit the “Declaration of Minor” form found in the Office of Undergraduate or on our website.

Students will be responsible for planning their minor in conjunction with their major advisor. Students and advisors should contact an Office of Undergraduate Biology advisor if they have questions about Biology courses. Please note that admission to the minor does not guarantee that a student will be able to take a given Biological Sciences course in a given semester, just as being a Biological Sciences major offers no such guarantee.

How to receive credit for a minor in Biological Sciences

1. Meet with one of the Office of Undergraduate Biology (OUB) Academic Advisors in 216 Stimson Hall.

2. Submit a copy of this form to the Office of Undergraduate Biology.

3. **CALS Students**: Bring your “Application to Graduate” to the Office of Undergraduate Biology for final verification by one of the OUB academic advisors.

   **Students from all other colleges**: our office will notify your college when you have completed the minor. However, we must have this form on file in order to do so.

To meet with an Office of Undergraduate Biology advisor please see the OUB website for advising office hours or contact Amy Horning (anh7@cornell.edu) at 607-255-5233 to arrange an appointment.
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Cornell Biological Sciences