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2024-2025 Transfer Course Sheet Minimum GPA | 2.5 Minimum Transferable Hours | 24 Second-Choice Major Eligible | YES

Required Coursework for Admission

| Course Name | Hrs. | TCCNS | TAMU |
|---|------|---|---|
| Engineering Math I | 4 | MATH 2413 | MATH 151 |
| Biology I, or Chemistry I, or Physics Mechanics | 4 | BIOL 1406, or CHEM 1411 (1311/1111), or PHYS 2426 (2326/2126) | BIOL 111 CHEM 119 PHYS 206 & PHYS 226 |

This transfer course sheet is applicable for applicants applying between August 1st, 2024 and October 15th, 2025.

- Math course listed should be completed with a grade of C or better.
- Must have a C average grade in the science course sequence attempted from the above list.
- Competitive applicants will have a B or better in the courses listed above.
- Students may have to complete Trigonometry and Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412) at their institution before taking MATH 2413.
- Trigonometry and Pre-Calculus are transferable courses but will not satisfy the Mathematics requirements in this degree plan.

The recommendations below represent what a typical TAMU student's schedule looks like during the first four semesters. If working to complete an Associate's Degree before transferring, please align your degree plan to satisfy TAMU degree requirements. You may not have to complete the coursework in the sequence below but this major requires specific coursework to be completed.

First Year

FALL SEMESTER

| TCCNS | TAMU | Course Name | | Hrs. |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------|------|
| GEOL 1445 | OCNG 251/252 | Oceanography & lab | | 4 |
| CHEM 1411 (1311/1111) | CHEM 119 | Chemistry I | | 4 |
| MATH 2413 | MATH 151 | Engineering Math I | | 4 |
| | core.tamu.edu | Communication | | 3 |
| | | | Total | 15 |

SPRING SEMESTER

| TCCNS | TAMU | Course Name | | Hrs. |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------|------|
| | core.tamu.edu | Government | | 3 |
| CHEM 1412 (1312/1112) | CHEM 120 | Chemistry II | | 4 |
| MATH 2414 | MATH 152 | Engineering Math II | | 4 |
| PHYS 2425 (2325/2125) | PHYS 206/226 | Mechanics | | 4 |
| | | | Total | 15 |

Second Year

FALL SEMESTER

| TCCNS | TAMU | Course Name | | Hrs. |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------|------|
| BIOL 1406 (1306/1106) | BIOL 111 | Biology I | | 4 |
| | core.tamu.edu | Communication | | 3 |
| | core.tamu.edu | American History | | 3 |
| MATH 2415 | MATH 251 | Engineering Math III | | 3 |
| | | | Total | 13 |

SPRING SEMESTER

| TCCNS | TAMU | Course Name | Hrs. |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|------|
| BIOL 1407 (1307/1107) | BIOL 112 | Biology II | 4 |
| PHYS 2426 | PHYS 207/227 | Electricity and Optics | 4 |
| GEOG 1302 | GEOG 201 | Introduction to Human Geography | 3 |
| | core.tamu.edu | History or Government | 3 |
| | | Total | 14 |

Consider taking courses that fulfill the 6 hours of <u>International and Cultural Diversity requirement</u> when completing the Social and Behavioral Sciences, free electives and Creative Arts requirements.

Coursework Timeline

- Competitive applicants will have the Required coursework completed by the application deadline.
- Applicants to the summer/fall term may be asked to submit spring final grades, this is not a guarantee.



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- Summer coursework will not be considered for summer/fall applicants.
- Fall coursework will not be considered for spring applicants.
- Applicants to the spring term should have the Required coursework completed by the end of Summer II semester before applying.

Additional Transfer Requirements

- The Department of Oceanography is looking for students who are interested in pursuing our degree as a focus. Students should indicate our department as the primary major they are interested in if they wish to be admitted. The essay and supporting materials should reflect that the student is interested in pursuing our degree.
- Meeting minimum requirements **DOES NOT** guarantee admission. The entire record is reviewed for consistency in coursework and grades.

Additional Information

- Applicants should be serious about earning a degree in Oceanography.
- Transfer applicants are instructed NOT to accept transfer admission to any major with the expectation of later applying for an on-campus change of major.

Career & Educational Opportunities

The BS in Oceanography provides students with an interdisciplinary education and training in one of three areas of ocean science: Ocean Observing Systems and Technology (OOST), Ocean Climate (OC), and Marine Ecosystem Science and Health (MESH). All students will gain skill in handling, evaluating, and analyzing large datasets.

The exploration and exploitation of energy resources in deeper waters offshore (e.g. Gulf of Mexico), the continued growth of human populations along the coast, and growing efforts to predict and mitigate coastal hazards (e.g. hurricanes, tsunami, oil spills, and harmful algal blooms) is driving an increase in the need and opportunities for well-trained ocean scientists. The BS in Oceanography curriculum: 1) provides students with an interdisciplinary understanding of the oceans and the processes affecting them for use in careers in marine science or other related fields; 2) provides students with the skills to retrieve, evaluate, and analyze large oceanographic datasets such as those generated from long term oceanographic studies and observing systems; and 3) emphasizes critical thinking and problem solving skills.

Students planning on attending graduate school are encouraged to also complete a minor in a STEM field. Many graduates will obtain jobs in a variety of fields including marine technical support, energy and transportation industries, insurance industries, hazard mitigation, marine operations, homeland security, oil spill response, etc. For more information please visit <u>careercenter.tamu.edu</u>.

Transfer Course Sheet Notes

- 1. Admission preference is given to applicants with the highest GPA and the most appropriate courses completed.
- 2. Transfer applicants are encouraged to complete <u>University Core Curriculum</u> coursework found in the <u>Undergraduate Catalog</u> unless specified above.
- 3. This Transfer Course Sheet was supported in a partnership between the Office of Admissions and the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas A&M University with the Undergraduate Catalog having the most extant and definitive information.