

TO: The Faculty of the College of Engineering

FROM: The School of Agricultural and Biological Engineering

RE Curriculum Changes - Biological Engineering Plan of Study

The faculty of the School of Agricultural & Biological Engineering has approved the establishment of three majors for students in the Biological Engineering degree program: Food and Biological Process Engineering (FBPE), Pharmaceutical Process Engineering (PPE), and Cell & Biomolecular Engineering (CBE). Currently all students in our Biological Engineering degree program have a major of Biological and Food Process Engineering. This action is now submitted to the Engineering Faculty with a recommendation for approval.

Differences in requirements for the three majors: The primary differences among the three majors are summarized in the table below and include core biology, science, core engineering, and recommended technical electives as well as project topics within shared core courses as summarized below. These changes would apply to students entering the School of Engineering in the Spring 2012 and thereafter.

	FBPE	PPE	CBE
Biology Core	BIOL 11000 Fund. Of Biology I (4)	BIOL 11000 Fund. Of Biology I (4)	BIOL 23000 Cell Biology (3) OR BIOL 23100 Cell Biology OR BCHM 30700
	Biol 22100 Microbiology (4)	Biol 22100 Microbiology (4)	IT 22600 Biotechnology Lab (2)
		BCHEM 30700 Biomolecules (3)	Biology Elective (3)
Science Elective	FN 20500 Food Science (3)	IPPH 36200 Basic Pharmaceutical I (3)	CNIT 22700 Bioinformatics (2)
	Bio/Food Science Elective (4)	IPPH 36300 Basic Pharmaceutical II (3)	Life Science Elective (3)
	Bio/Food Science Elective (4)	IPPH 5620 Introduction to Mfg Process (3)	Life Science Elective (3)
Core Engineering	No changes	No changes	ABE 49500 Cell & Molecular Design Principles (3)
Engineering Selective*	Selected from*: ABE 45000 Finite Element Method in Design and Opt. (3) CE 35000 Environmental Engineering (3) IE 34300 Engineering Economics (3 cr.) ME 41800 Engineering of Environmental Systems and Equipment (3 cr.) ABE 53100 Instrumentation and Data Acquisition (3 cr.)	Selected from*: CHE 30600 Design of Staged Separation Processes (3) IE 34300 Engineering Economics (3) CHE 52500 Biochemical Engineering (3) CHE 53600 Particulate Systems (3) IE 37000 Manufacturing Processes I (3)	Selected from*: ABE 59100T Biophysics (3) ABE 59100 Engineering Approaches to Systems Biology (3) CE 35000 Environmental Engineering (3) ABE 56000 Biosensors (3) ABE 49800 Undergrad Research (3) BME 49500/MA49500 Comp. Cell Biology (3) BME 47000 Biomolecular Engr ABE 59100W/BME 59500U Nonlinear Dynamics in Biological Systems (3)
total	22 credits	23 credits	22 credits

* not a complete list

Justification: For many years, ABE has offered five-year dual major programs with Pharmaceutical Sciences and Biochemistry in addition to the four-year Biological and Food Process Engineering major. Graduates have worked in the food, pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. The significant growth of biological engineering as a field, along with a desire maintain a reasonable time to graduation for the majority of our students creates a need for four-year programs in these areas. In addition, the availability of only one major has limited the evolution, divergence and growth of the pharmaceutical and cell/biochemistry aspects of the degree program. The creation of three majors will enable this future growth and allow for four-year programs that serve our base industries. The retention of the Food and Biological Process major will maintain the visibility of the food program among current and potential students and sustain our linkages with the many food industry companies who regularly recruit at Purdue. Finally, the growth of the BE program has placed resource constraints on experiential courses (e.g. Biotchnology Lab) that were previously required for all students.

A rapid and steady growth of interest of the incoming class in Biological Engineering is constant with these wider industry and academic trends. The biological engineering sophomore class has roughly tripled in the last 6 years. When asked about their area of interest, 26% of the 2011 sophomore class said “Food Process,” 25% said “Biological Engineering (generic),” and 23% said “Cell and Biomolecular.”

Cell & Biomolecular Engineering is the design, modification, and analysis of microorganisms from all domains of life (Eukaryota, Bacteria, and Archaea) and the integration of these cells into devices, reactors, and processes to produce fuels, cell products, and biotech products, along with biosensors, that can be used to meet global challenges in the environment, agriculture, energy, health, and sustainability. Students in this field will pursue careers in bio-based products, biologics, bioenergy, biotechnology and graduate school.

Pharmaceutical Engineering. Our Department established a dual degree with Pharmaceutical Sciences in 1996 and a significant number of our ABE graduates are currently working in the pharmaceutical industry. The establishment of a *Pharmaceutical Process Engineering* major provides a four-year option for students who want to work in the pharmaceutical industry.

Food and Biological Process Engineering major will allow us to maintain the visibility of this program among current and potential students. We have a large number of graduates currently working in R&D, manufacturing, quality control, and entrepreneurship in the food industry. Retention of the major will help us to sustain the connections our Department has established with the many food industry companies who regularly recruit at Purdue.

**Minimum Degree Requirements for Food and Biological Process Engineering Major
Credit Hours Required for Graduation**

<u>Present</u>	<u>Total Credit Hours</u>	<u>135</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Total Credit Hours</u>	<u>135</u>
<i>Courses</i>		<i>Credit Hours</i>	<i>Courses</i>		<i>Credit Hours</i>
Mathematics and Basic Sciences			Mathematics and Basic Sciences		
Calculus: MA16500, 16600, 26100, 26500, 26600		18	Calculus: MA16500, 16600, 26100, 26500, 26600		18
Chemistry: CHM 11500, 11600, 25700		12	Chemistry: CHM 11500, 11600, 25700		12
Physics: PHYS 17200, 24100		7	Physics: PHYS 17200, 24100		7
Biological and Food Sciences			Biological and Food Sciences		
Biological Sciences: BIOL 22100, 23000, IT 22600		9	Biological Sciences: BIOL 11000, 22100		8
BCHM 22100 or FN 20500		3	FN 20500		3
Biological or Food Science Selectives		7	Biological or Food Science Selectives		8
Engineering Tools and Skills			Engineering Tools and Skills		
ENGR 13100, ENGR 13200, CHE 32000		7	ENGR 13100, ENGR 13200, CHE 32000		7
Professional Development			Professional Development		
ABE 29000, 49000		2	ABE 29000, 49000		2
Communication			Communication		
English Composition: ENGL 10600		4	English Composition: ENGL 10600		4
Speech: COM 11400		3	Speech: COM 11400		3
Humanities and Social Sciences General Education			Humanities and Social Sciences General Education		
Must be chosen in accordance with the approved general education list and with the help of a faculty advisor. Of the 18 credit hours, 6 must meet College of Agriculture international understanding requirements, 3 must be an additional communication elective, and 3 must be economics		18	Must be chosen in accordance with the approved general education list and with the help of a faculty advisor. Of the 18 credit hours, 6 must meet College of Agriculture international understanding requirements, 3 must be an additional communication elective, and 3 must be economics		18
Core Engineering Courses			Core Engineering Courses		
Thermodynamics: ABE 20100, 20200, 30100, 30300		13	Thermodynamics: ABE 20100, 20200, 30100, 30300		13
Momentum, Heat and Mass Transfer: CHE 37700, 37800		8	Momentum, Heat and Mass Transfer: CHE 37700, 37800		8
Kinetics and Reaction Engineering: ABE 37000		3	Kinetics and Reaction Engineering: ABE 37000		3
Sensors and Process Control: ABE 460000		3	Sensors and Process Control: ABE 460000		3
Transport Processes: ABE 45400		4	Transport Processes: ABE 45400		4
Unit Operations: ABE 55500		4	Unit Operations: ABE 55500		4
Biological and Food Process Design: ABE 55600		4	Biological and Food Process Design: ABE 55600		4
Process Engineering: ABE 58000		3	Process Engineering: ABE 58000		3
Technical Electives		3	Technical Electives		3

**Minimum Degree Requirements for Pharmaceutical Process Engineering
Credit Hours Required for Graduation**

<u>Present</u>	Total Credit Hours	135	<u>Proposed</u>	Total Credit Hours	136
<i>Courses</i>		<i>Credit Hours</i>	<i>Courses</i>		<i>Credit Hours</i>
Mathematics and Basic Sciences			Mathematics and Basic Sciences		
Calculus: MA16500, 16600, 26100, 26500, 26600		18	Calculus: MA16500, 16600, 26100, 26500, 26600		18
Chemistry: CHM 11500, 11600, 25700		12	Chemistry: CHM 11500, 11600, 25700		12
Physics: PHYS 17200, 24100		7	Physics: PHYS 17200, 24100		7
Biological and Food Sciences			Biological & Pharmaceutical Sciences		
Biological Sciences: BIOL 22100, 23000, IT 22600		9	Biological Sciences: BIOL 11000, 22100		8
BCHM 22100 or FN 20500		3	BCHM 30700		3
Biological or Food Science Selectives		7	IPPH 36200, 36300, 56200		9
Engineering Tools and Skills			Engineering Tools and Skills		
ENGR 13100, ENGR 13200, CHE 32000		7	ENGR 13100, ENGR 13200, CHE 32000		7
Professional Development			Professional Development		
ABE 29000, 49000		2	ABE 29000, 49000		2
Communication			Communication		
English Composition: ENGL 10600		4	English Composition: ENGL 10600		4
Speech: COM 11400		3	Speech: COM 11400		3
Humanities and Social Sciences General Education Must be chosen in accordance with the approved general education list and with the help of a faculty advisor. Of the 18 credit hours, 6 must meet College of Agriculture international understanding requirements, 3 must be an additional communication elective, and 3 must be economics		18	Humanities and Social Sciences General Education Must be chosen in accordance with the approved general education list and with the help of a faculty advisor. Of the 18 credit hours, 6 must meet College of Agriculture international understanding requirements, 3 must be an additional communication elective, and 3 must be economics		18
Core Engineering Courses			Core Engineering Courses		
Thermodynamics: ABE 20100, 20200, 30100, 30300		13	Thermodynamics: ABE 20100, 20200, 30100, 30300		13
Momentum, Heat and Mass Transfer: CHE 37700, 37800		8	Momentum, Heat and Mass Transfer: CHE 37700, 37800		8
Kinetics and Reaction Engineering: ABE 37000		3	Kinetics and Reaction Engineering: ABE 37000		3
Sensors and Process Control: ABE 460000		3	Sensors and Process Control: ABE 460000		3
Transport Processes: ABE 45400		4	Transport Processes: ABE 45400		4
Unit Operations: ABE 55500		4	Unit Operations: ABE 55500		4
Biological and Food Process Design: ABE 55600		4	Biological and Food Process Design: ABE 55600		4
Process Engineering: ABE 58000		3	Process Engineering: ABE 58000		3
Technical Electives		3	Technical Electives		3

**Minimum Degree Requirements for Cell & Biomolecular Engineering
Credit Hours Required for Graduation**

<u>Present</u>	Total Credit Hours	135	<u>Proposed</u>	Total Credit Hours	135
<i>Courses</i>		<i>Credit Hours</i>	<i>Courses</i>		<i>Credit Hours</i>
Mathematics and Basic Sciences			Mathematics and Basic Sciences		
Calculus: MA16500, 16600, 26100, 26500, 26600		18	Calculus: MA16500, 16600, 26100, 26500, 26600		18
Chemistry: CHM 11500, 11600, 25700		12	Chemistry: CHM 11500, 11600, 25700		12
Physics: PHYS 17200, 24100		7	Physics: PHYS 17200, 24100		7
Biological and Food Sciences			Biology and Life Sciences		
Biological Sciences: BIOL 22100, 23000, IT 22600		9	Cell Biology: BIOL 23000 or BIOL 23100 or BCHM 30700 Microbiology/Virology/Molecular Biology: IT 22600, 3 credit selective		8
BCHM 22100 or FN 20500		3	Life Science selectives		6
Biological or Food Science Selectives		7	Bioinformatics/Genomics: CNIT 22700		2
Engineering Tools and Skills			Engineering Tools and Skills		
ENGR 13100, ENGR 13200, CHE 32000		7	ENGR 13100, ENGR 13200, CHE 32000		7
Professional Development			Professional Development		
ABE 29000, 49000		2	ABE 29000, 49000		2
Communication			Communication		
English Composition: ENGL 10600		4	English Composition: ENGL 10600		4
Speech: COM 11400		3	Speech: COM 11400		3
Humanities and Social Sciences General Education			Humanities and Social Sciences General Education		
Must be chosen in accordance with the approved general education list and with the help of a faculty advisor. Of the 18 credit hours, 6 must meet College of Agriculture international understanding requirements, 3 must be an additional communication elective, and 3 must be economics		18	Must be chosen in accordance with the approved general education list and with the help of a faculty advisor. Of the 18 credit hours, 6 must meet College of Agriculture international understanding requirements, 3 must be an additional communication elective, and 3 must be economics		18
Core Engineering Courses			Core Engineering Courses		
Thermodynamics: ABE 20100, 20200, 30100, 30300		13	Thermodynamics: ABE 20100, 20200, 30100, 30300		13
Momentum, Heat and Mass Transfer: CHE 37700, 37800		8	Momentum, Heat and Mass Transfer: CHE 37700, 37800		8
Kinetics and Reaction Engineering: ABE 37000		3	Kinetics and Reaction Engineering: ABE 37000		3
Sensors and Process Control: ABE 460000		3	Sensors and Process Control: ABE 460000		3
Transport Processes: ABE 45400		4	Transport Processes: ABE 45400		4
			Cellular Design Principles: ABE 49500		3
Unit Operations: ABE 55500		4	Unit Operations: ABE 55500		4
Biological and Food Process Design: ABE 55600		4	Biological and Food Process Design: ABE 55600		4

Process Engineering: ABE 58000	3	Process Engineering: ABE 58000	3
Technical Electives	3	Technical Electives	3

Supporting Documentation – Biological Engineering Plan of Study revisions (FBPE major)

Present

Proposed - FBPE

Freshman Year

First Semester

(4) CHM 11500 General Chemistry I	(4) CHM 11500 General Chemistry I
(4) ENGL 10600 English Composition I	(4) ENGL 10600 English Composition I
(2) ENGR 13100 Transforming Ideas to Innovation I	(2) ENGR 13100 Transforming Ideas to Innovation I
(4) MA 16500 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus I	(4) MA 16500 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus I
	(3) General Education Elective

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Second Semester

(4) CHM 11600 General Chemistry II	(4) CHM 11600 General Chemistry II
(3) COM 11400 Fundamentals of Speech Communications	(3) COM 11400 Fundamentals of Speech Communications
(4) MA 16600 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus II	(2) ENGR 13200 Transforming Ideas to Innovation II
(4) PHYS 17200 Modern Mechanics	(4) MA 16600 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus II
(2) ENGR 13200 Transforming Ideas to Innovation II	(4) PHYS 17200 Modern Mechanics

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Sophomore Year

Third Semester

(4) ABE 20100 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems I	(4) ABE 20100 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems I
(4) MA 26100 Multivariate Calculus	(1) ABE 29000 Sophomore Seminar
(4) CHM 25700 Organic Chemistry I	(4) BIOL 11000 Fundamentals of Biology I
(3) BIOL 23000 Biology of the Living Cell	(4) CHM 25700 Organic Chemistry I
(2) IT 22600 Biotechnology Laboratory I	(4) MA 26100 Multivariate Calculus

(1) ABE 29000 Sophomore Seminar

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Fourth Semester

(3) ABE 20200 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems II	(3) ABE 20200 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems II
(3) BCHM 22100 Analytical Biochemistry OR FN 205 Food Science	(3) CHE 32000 Statistical Modeling
(3) MA 26500 Linear Algebra	(3) FN 20500 Food Science
(3) MA 26600 Ordinary Differential Equations	(3) MA 26500 Linear Algebra
(3) CHE 32000 Statistical Modeling	(3) MA 26600 Ordinary Differential Equations
(3) General Education Elective	(3) General Education Elective

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Junior Year**Fifth Semester**

(3) ABE 30100 Modeling & Computation Tools in Biol. Engr.	(3) ABE 30100 Modeling & Computation Tools in Biol. Engr.
(3) ABE 30300 App of Phys Chemistry to Biol. Processes	(3) ABE 30300 App of Phys Chemistry to Biol. Processes
(4) CHE 37700 Momentum Transfer	(4) CHE 37700 Momentum Transfer
(3) PHYS 24100 Electricity and Optics	(3) PHYS 24100 Electricity and Optics
(3) General Education Elective	(3) General Education Elective
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Sixth Semester

(3) ABE 37000 Biol./Microbial Kinetics & Reaction Engr.	(3) ABE 37000 Biol./Microbial Kinetics & Reaction Engr.
(4) ABE 45400 Transport Processes in Biological and Food Process Systems	(4) ABE 45400 Transport Processes in Biological and Food Process Systems
(4) CHE 37800 Heat and Mass Transfer	(4) BIOL 22100 Microbiology
(4) BIOL 22100 Microbiology	(4) CHE 37800 Heat and Mass Transfer
(3) General Education Elective	(3) General Education Elective
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Senior Year**Seventh Semester**

(1) ABE 49000 Professional Practice in Agric. & Biol. Engr	(1) ABE 49000 Professional Practice in Agric. & Biol. Engr
(4) ABE 55500 Biological & Food Processing Unit Operations	(4) ABE 55500 Biological & Food Processing Unit Operations
(4) Biological or Food Science Elective	(4) Biological or Food Science Elective
(3) Engineering Elective	(3) Engineering Selective
(6) General Education Elective	(3) General Education Elective
18	15

Eighth Semester

(3) ABE 58000 Process Engineering of Renewable Resources	(3) ABE 46000 Sensors and Process Controls
(4) ABE 55600 Biological and Food Process Design	(4) ABE 55600 Biological and Food Process Design
(3) ABE 46000 Sensors and Process Controls	(3) ABE 58000 Process Engineering of Renewable Resources
(3) General Education Elective	(4) Biological or Food Science Elective
(3) Biological or Food Science Elective	(3) General Education Elective
16	17

Total**135****Total****135****Supporting Documentation – Biological Engineering Plan of Study revisions (PPE major)**

Present

Proposed - PPE

Freshman Year

First Semester

- (4) CHM 11500 General Chemistry I
- (4) ENGL 10600 English Composition I
- (2) ENGR 13100 Transforming Ideas to Innovation I
- (4) MA 16500 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus I

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- (4) CHM 11500 General Chemistry I
- (4) ENGL 10600 English Composition I
- (2) ENGR 13100 Transforming Ideas to Innovation I
- (4) MA 16500 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus I
- (3) General Education Elective

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Second Semester

- (4) CHM 11600 General Chemistry II
- (3) COM 11400 Fundamentals of Speech Communications
- (4) MA 16600 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus II
- (4) PHYS 17200 Modern Mechanics
- (2) ENGR 13200 Transforming Ideas to Innovation II

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- (4) CHM 11600 General Chemistry II
- (3) COM 11400 Fundamentals of Speech Communications
- (2) ENGR 13200 Transforming Ideas to Innovation II
- (4) MA 16600 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus II
- (4) PHYS 17200 Modern Mechanics

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Sophomore Year

Third Semester

- (4) ABE 20100 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems I
- (4) MA 26100 Multivariate Calculus
- (4) CHM 25700 Organic Chemistry I
- (3) BIOL 23000 Biology of the Living Cell
- (2) IT 22600 Biotechnology Laboratory I
- (1) ABE 29000 Sophomore Seminar

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- (4) ABE 20100 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems I
- (1) ABE 29000 Sophomore Seminar
- (4) BIOL 11000 Fundamentals of Biology I
- (4) CHM 25700 Organic Chemistry I
- (4) MA 26100 Multivariate Calculus

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Fourth Semester

- (3) ABE 20200 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems II
- (3) BCHM 22100 Analytical Biochemistry **OR**
FN 205 Food Science
- (3) MA 26500 Linear Algebra
- (3) MA 26600 Ordinary Differential Equations
- (3) CHE 32000 Statistical Modeling
- (3) General Education Elective

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- (3) ABE 20200 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems II
- (3) CHE 32000 Statistical Modeling
- (3) BCHM 30700 Biochemistry
- (3) MA 26500 Linear Algebra
- (3) MA 26600 Ordinary Differential Equations
- (3) General Education Elective

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Junior Year**Fifth Semester**

(3) ABE 30100 Modeling & Computation Tools in Biol. Engr.	(3) ABE 30100 Modeling & Computation Tools in Biol. Engr.
(3) ABE 30300 App of Phys Chemistry to Biol. Processes	(3) ABE 30300 App of Phys Chemistry to Biol. Processes
(4) CHE 37700 Momentum Transfer	(4) CHE 37700 Momentum Transfer
(3) PHYS 24100 Electricity and Optics	(3) IPPH 36200 Basic Pharmaceutical I
(3) General Education Elective	(3) PHYS 24100 Electricity and Optics
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Sixth Semester

(3) ABE 37000 Biol./Microbial Kinetics & Reaction Engr.	(3) ABE 37000 Biol./Microbial Kinetics & Reaction Engr.
(4) ABE 45400 Transport Processes in Biological and Food Process Systems	(4) ABE 45400 Transport Processes in Biological and Food Process Systems
(4) CHE 37800 Heat and Mass Transfer	(4) BIOL 22100 Microbiology
(4) BIOL 22100 Microbiology	(4) CHE 37800 Heat and Mass Transfer
(3) General Education Elective	(3) IPPH 36300 Basic Pharmaceutical II
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Senior Year**Seventh Semester**

(1) ABE 49000 Professional Practice in Agric. & Biol. Engr	(1) ABE 49000 Professional Practice in Agric. & Biol. Engr
(4) ABE 55500 Biological & Food Processing Unit Operations	(4) ABE 55500 Biological & Food Processing Unit Operations
(4) Biological or Food Science Elective	(3) IPPH 56200 Introduction to Mfg Process
(3) Engineering Elective	(3) Engineering Selective
(6) General Education Elective	(6) General Education Elective
18	17

Eighth Semester

(3) ABE 58000 Process Engineering of Renewable Resources	(3) ABE 46000 Sensors and Process Controls
(4) ABE 55600 Biological and Food Process Design	(4) ABE 55600 Biological and Food Process Design
(3) ABE 46000 Sensors and Process Controls	(3) ABE 58000 Process Engineering of Renewable Resources
(3) General Education Elective	(6) General Education Elective
(3) Biological or Food Science Elective	—
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Total**135****Total****136****Supporting Documentation - Biological Engineering Plan of Study revisions (CBE major):**

Present

Proposed - CBE

Freshman Year

First Semester

- (4) CHM 11500 General Chemistry I
- (4) ENGL 10600 English Composition I
- (2) ENGR 13100 Transforming Ideas to Innovation I
- (4) MA 16500 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus I

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- (4) CHM 11500 General Chemistry I
- (4) ENGL 10600 English Composition I
- (2) ENGR 13100 Transforming Ideas to Innovation I
- (4) MA 16500 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus I
- (3) General Education Elective

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Second Semester

- (4) CHM 11600 General Chemistry II
- (3) COM 11400 Fundamentals of Speech Communications
- (4) MA 16600 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus II
- (4) PHYS 17200 Modern Mechanics
- (2) ENGR 13200 Transforming Ideas to Innovation II

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- (4) CHM 11600 General Chemistry II
- (3) COM 11400 Fundamentals of Speech Communications
- (2) ENGR 13200 Transforming Ideas to Innovation II
- (4) MA 16600 Plane Analytic Geometry and Calculus II
- (4) PHYS 17200 Modern Mechanics

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Sophomore Year

Third Semester

- (4) ABE 20100 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems I
- (4) MA 26100 Multivariate Calculus
- (4) CHM 25700 Organic Chemistry I
- (3) BIOL 23000 Biology of the Living Cell
- (2) IT 22600 Biotechnology Laboratory I
- (1) ABE 29000 Sophomore Seminar

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- (4) ABE 20100 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems I
- (1) ABE 29000 Sophomore Seminar
- (3) BIOL 23000 Biology of the Living Cell OR BIOL 23100 OR BCHM 30700
- (4) CHM 25700 Organic Chemistry I
- (2) IT 22600 Biotechnology Laboratory I
- (4) MA 26100 Multivariate Calculus

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Fourth Semester

- (3) ABE 20200 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems II
- (3) BCHM 22100 Analytical Biochemistry **OR**
FN 205 Food Science
- (3) MA 26500 Linear Algebra
- (3) MA 26600 Ordinary Differential Equations
- (3) CHE 32000 Statistical Modeling
- (3) General Education Elective

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- (3) ABE 20200 Thermodynamics of Biological Systems II
- (3) CHE 32000 Statistical Modeling
- (2) CNIT 22700 Bioinformatics++
- (3) MA 26500 Linear Algebra
- (3) MA 26600 Ordinary Differential Equations
- (3) General Education Elective**

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Junior Year**Fifth Semester**

(3) ABE 30100 Modeling & Computation Tools in Biol. Engr.	(3) ABE 30100 Modeling & Computation Tools in Biol. Engr.
(3) ABE 30300 App of Phys Chemistry to Biol. Processes	(3) ABE 30300 App of Phys Chemistry to Biol. Processes
(4) CHE 37700 Momentum Transfer	(4) CHE 37700 Momentum Transfer
(3) PHYS 24100 Electricity and Optics	(3) PHYS 24100 Electricity and Optics
(3) General Education Elective	(3) General Education Elective
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Sixth Semester

(3) ABE 37000 Biol./Microbial Kinetics & Reaction Engr.	(3) ABE 37000 Biol./Microbial Kinetics & Reaction Engr.
(4) ABE 45400 Transport Processes in Biological and Food Process Systems	(4) ABE 45400 Transport Processes in Biological and Food Process Systems
(4) CHE 37800 Heat and Mass Transfer	(4) CHE 37800 Heat and Mass Transfer
(4) BIOL 22100 Microbiology	(3) BIOL 24100 Genetics & Molecular Biology
(3) General Education Elective	(3) ABE 49500 Cell & Molecular Design Principles
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Senior Year**Seventh Semester**

(1) ABE 49000 Professional Practice in Agric. & Biol. Engr	(1) ABE 49000 Professional Practice in Agric. & Biol. Engr
(4) ABE 55500 Biological & Food Processing Unit Operations	(4) ABE 55500 Biological & Food Processing Unit Operations
(4) Biological or Food Science Elective	(3) Biology or Science Selective
(3) Engineering Elective	(3) Engineering Selective
(6) General Education Elective	(6) General Education Elective
18	17

Eighth Semester

(3) ABE 58000 Process Engineering of Renewable Resources	(3) ABE 46000 Sensors and Process Controls
(4) ABE 55600 Biological and Food Process Design	(4) ABE 55600 Biological and Food Process Design
(3) ABE 46000 Sensors and Process Controls	(3) ABE 58000 Process Engineering of Renewable Resources
(3) General Education Elective	(3) Biology or Science Selective
(3) Biological or Food Science Elective	(3) General Education Elective
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Total**135****Total****135**



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Supplemental Material: Course Syllabus for ABE 49500 Cell and Molecular Design Principles

ABE 495 - Cell and Molecular Design Principles

Spring 2012

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Catalog Description. The design principles underlying mechanisms of cellular functions such as cell architecture, energy storage and conversion, sensing and signaling, communication, time keeping, molecular synthesis, memory, and motility. Emphasis will be placed on the chemical, physical, and *mathematical features that determine the performance of the biological device*. Topics cover both cellular/biochemical processes and molecular/genetic circuits. Examples are presented from reverse engineering of natural systems and design of new synthetic systems.

Prerequisites. MA 265 AND MA 266 AND BIOL 230 (or BIOL 231 or BCHM 307)

Textbook

1. Instructor Compiled Online Textbook in “Scitable” by Nature Education. <http://www.nature.com/scitable/group-join/cellular-design-principles-22413806/48811>
2. An introduction to systems biology

Additional Readings and References:

3. Rafelski and Marshall “Building the Cell: design principles of cellular architecture”. Nature Reviews. 2008.
4. “Design principles of biochemical oscillators.” Bovak, Tyson. Nature Reviews Molecular Cell Biology. 2008.

- Week 1** **Cell Architecture & Self-Assembly.** Determinants and Regulation of Size and Shape of Cells and Organelles.
Design Principle: Controlling size and number by molecular rulers, quantal synthesis and dynamic balance.
Example. Organelle synthesis, turnover, and number
- Week 2** **Transport/Diffusion.** Passive versus active intracellular transport.
Design Principles: Transport limitations/pressures on cell size and impact on energy needs.
Example. How specialized cells transport over long distances.
- Week 3** **Energy Storage and Conversion.** Electrochemical gradients. High energy molecules.
Design principle: gradients versus discrete storage
Example: Why are proton gradients universal?
- Week 4** **Signaling.** Introduction to signaling. Why multiple levels of regulation? Design advantages, times scales and choices of multiples levels of regulation. Kinase/Phosphatase
Design Principle. Multi-step Ultra sensitivity. Zero order Ultra sensitivity
Example. Monitoring Cellular Energy State
- Week 5** **Sensing & Signaling.** Introduction to external inputs to cells.
Design Principles. Amplification in signaling cascades, chemical sources of background noise, adjustable dynamic range (adaption to inputs) in signaling networks.
Example. Photoreceptors as near perfect photon detectors. Insect detection of signals across miles.
- Week 6** **Biological Circuits.** Intro to Transcriptional Networks. Mathematical representation of activators, repressors, multi-input systems.
- Week 7** **Biological Circuits.** Network Structure. Network Motifs. Gene and Protein Network Analysis.
Design Principles: Structural effects on robustness. Connectivity and lethality.
Case Study. Systematic knockouts in yeast and mycobacteria.

- Week 8** **Biological Circuits.** Graphical Analysis of Biochemical Circuit Dynamics. Time domain, frequency domain, phase plane, stability diagrams
- Week 9** **Gene Circuits.** Feed-Forward Loop Network Motif.
Design Principles. Performance Implications of Negative and Positive Auto regulation Motifs.
- Week 10** **Biochemical Oscillators.** Significance and function of biochemical oscillations in nature and engineered systems.
Design Principles. General requirements for natural biochemical oscillators. Negative feedback, time delay, nonlinearity, balance of production/consumption time scales.
- Week 11** **Time Keeping.** Cellular Clocks and Gene Oscillations.
Design Principles: inherent oscillations, entrainment
Example: *period* and *timeless* oscillations with light entrainment in drosophila. Mutants
- Week 12** **Biochemical Switches.** Simple Gene Switches, Bistability,
Design Principle(s). Advantages & disadvantages of simple inducers/repressors versus circuit (bistable switch) on toggle switch performance. Role of stoichiometry / cooperativity in creating a biostable toggle switch
Example. Genetic toggle switch in E. coli.
- Week 13** **Motility.** Mechanisms and Decision making in Cellular locomotion
Design Principle. Robustness
Example. Bacterial Chemo taxis
- Week 14** **Synthetic Systems.** Synthetics Biology. Standard Registry of Biological Parts, Safety and Ethics
Design Principles. Abstraction, hierarchy, standardization
- Week 15** **Ground Up Cellular Design.** Approaches to genome synthesis. Alternative codes. Nuclear transfer for cell “boot up”.
Design Principles. Minimum Gene Set. Watermarking. Identification of synthetic versus native. Engineering Safety Mechanisms.
Case Study. First synthetic bacterial genome.

Grading: 25% Weekly Homework Assignments
 25% Exam 1
 25% Exam 2
 25% Final Exam

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	A-	3.7	90.0-92.9
	B+	3.3	87.0-89.9
	B	3.0	83.0-86.9
	B-	2.7	80.0-82.9
	C+	2.3	77.0-79.9
	C	2.0	73.0-76.9
	C-	1.7	70.0-72.9
	D+	1.3	67.0-69.9
	D	1.0	63.0-66.9
	D-	0.7	60.0-62.9
	F	0.0	<60.0