BIOLOGY
Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

Other degrees and minors offered through the Department of Biological Sciences:

- Biomedical Sciences, BS
- Biology Minor
- Conservation Biology Minor
- Environmental Science Minor

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The Department of Biological Sciences offers a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science in biology. These two degrees provide flexibility so students can customize coursework to meet their individual interests and career goals.

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) in biology is an ideal degree for students interested in gaining a broad background in the biological sciences. It requires four semesters of a foreign language and a minor. There are several minors to choose from which gives you flexibility to design a well-rounded education.

The Bachelor of Science (BS) in biology provides a strong foundation in science while allowing you to focus on a specific biology sub-discipline. This degree will prepare you for nearly any science-related field. The BS is ideal for students who are seeking a career as a professional biologist in industry or government, or plan to apply to graduate school or to a professional program like medical or dental school.

Candidates for the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts in biology are required to complete an Exit Exam in biology to be eligible for graduation.

Minor: Biology majors must choose a minor of at least 18 hours for the BA and 10 hours for the BS. A minor in chemistry or mathematics is suggested. Students may receive teacher certification in life sciences for grades 8-12 by pursuing secondary teacher certification.

Once accepted, students may apply for relevant scholarships by completing the Scholarships4Kats online application. Transfer scholarships are available for students who would like to continue their academic career at Sam Houston.

In addition to an animal facility, greenhouses, and laboratories, the Department of Biological Studies maintains the Warner Herbarium, Sam Houston State Vertebrate Museum, Texas Bird Sound Library, and the Center for Biological Field Studies, a 250-acre field station that contains the Southeast Texas Applied Forensic Science Facility.