

# WILDLIFE BIOLOGY MINOR

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The Wildlife Biology Program combines the best features of a liberal arts curriculum with scientific preparation in wildlife conservation. The Program provides students with an extensive knowledge in ecology, population biology, conservation biology, and critical thinking and quantitative skills. Our students receive a strong academic and scientific background with an emphasis on hands-on, experiential learning. The educational requirements for certification by The Wildlife Society can be met within the framework of the undergraduate program.

While some employment opportunities exist in wildlife conservation for students with the baccalaureate degree, we encourage students to continue their education through the master's degree to qualify for most state, federal, and private positions.

Two concentrations are offered in the Wildlife Biology Program: terrestrial and aquatic. They both follow the same schedule of courses for the freshman and most of the sophomore year and then pursue different curricula for the last two years. Each leads to a B.S. in Wildlife Biology. The University is well-suited for instruction in wildlife biology because of the excellent opportunities for field instruction and research at Lubrecht Experimental Forest, Flathead Lake Biological Station, and the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial and Bandy ranches. The Montana Forest and Conservation Experiment Station, the Division of Biological Sciences, and the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit facilitate research.

## Minor - Wildlife Biology

### W.A Franke College of Forestry & Conservation

Degree Specific Credits: 19-23

Required Cumulative GPA: 2.0

Catalog Year: 2018-2019

## Summary

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		19-23
Total Hours		19-23

## Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete all of the following courses:</b>		
BIOB 160N	Principles of Living Systems	3
BIOB 170N	Princpls Biological Diversity	3
BIOB 171N	Princpls Biological Dvrsty Lab	2
BIOB 272	Genetics and Evolution	4
<b>Complete one of the following courses:</b>		2-3
BIOO 101N	Survey MT Wildlife & Habitats	
WILD 105N	Wildlife & People	
WILD 180	Careers in Wildlife Biology	
<b>Complete one 200-level or greater WILD course</b>		2-4

Complete one upper-division course chosen from BIOE, BIOO, NRSM, PTRM or WILD 3-4

Total Hours 19-23

Minimum Required Grade: C-