The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences  

Molecular Genetics Minor (MOLGEN-MN)

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Molecular Genetics Minor:  
Students can earn the Molecular Genetics Undergraduate Minor by completing the necessary prerequisites and the Molecular Genetics core series of classes. The minor program must be approved by a major advisor from the Department of Molecular Genetics (see Advising to find your major advisor). Students who started the Molecular Genetics minor under the quarter system and graduate under the semester system should contact their Molecular Genetics major advisor for specific advice on completing the minor under the semester system.

Required Prerequisites:  
- Biology 1113 and 1114  
- Chemistry 1210 and 1220  
  (Honors or more advanced versions of these prerequisites may be substituted)

Required Core Courses:  
- One of the following courses:  
  Molecular Genetics 4500, 4500E, or 4606  
- At least two of the following courses:  
  Molecular Genetics 5607 (or 5607E), 5608 (or 5608E), or 5645

Elective courses (core plus electives must total at least 14 semester hours):  
- Molecular Genetics courses:  
  2220H, 4503, 4591S, 5193, 5194, 5601 or 5602, 5632, 5650  
- Other Life Sciences courses:  
  Microbiology 4130, 5161H  
- No more than 3 semester hours graded as S/U can count toward the minor.  
- Other elective courses may be substituted with permission of advisor.

Molecular Genetics minor program guidelines
The following guidelines govern this minor:

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required: 1000-level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credits must be upper-level courses.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed  
A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE  
A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)  
- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.  
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required  
- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.  
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.  
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.  
- No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits  
No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval  
The minor course work must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

Filing the minor program form  
The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor  
Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.