

SCIENCE, B.S. (BEHREND)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Erie

Suggested Academic Plan

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Environmental Studies Option: Science, B.S. at Erie Campus

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CHEM 111 ^{*#†}	1 CHEM 113 ^{*†}	1
MATH 140 ^{*#†}	4 MATH 141 ^{*†}	4
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3 BIOL 110S ^{*#†}	4
PSU 7	1 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	
	15	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PHYS 211 or 250	4 CAS 100 [‡]	3
BIOL 220W (or BIOL 230W or BIOL 240W)	4 CMPSC 121 [*]	3
GEOG, GEOSC, MATSC, or MATSE Course (any level)	3 PHYS 212 or 251 [*]	4
World Language Level 1	4 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
GEOG 160	3 World Language Level 2	4
GEOG 161	1	
	19	15.5

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PHYS 213 (or PHYS 214 (if following PHYS 211/212 track))	2 Science Course Supporting List [*]	3
World Language Level 1	4 Environmental Course Program List [*]	3
ENGL 202A (or ENGL 202B, or ENGL 202C, or ENGL 202D)	3 General Education Course	3

Environmental Course (Program List)	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 CHEM 202 or 227 [*]	3-4
BIOL 220W (or BIOL 230W or BIOL 240W)	4	

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Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
STAT 200 or 250 (or MATH 230 or CMPSC 122)	3-4 Environmental Course Program List [*]	3
GEOG, GEOSC, MATSC, OR MATSE Course (any level) [*]	3 General Education Course	3
400-level Environmental Course Program List [*]	3 400-level Environmental Course Program List [*]	3
Research, Internship, Field School or Study Abroad	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
	BIOL 402 [*]	3
	12-13	13.5

Total Credits 124-126

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Advising Notes

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BISC 1, BISC 2, BISC 3, BISC 4

BMB 1

CAS 126

CHEM 1, CHEM 3, CHEM 101, CHEM 108

CMPSC 1, CMPSC 100, CMPSC 110

ENGL 4, ENGL 5, ESL 4

LLED 5, LLED 10

MATH 1, MATH 2, MATH 3, MATH 4, MATH 21, MATH 26, MATH 30,

MATH 35, MATH 36, MATH 37, MATH 38, MATH 40, MATH 81, MATH 82,

MATH 83, MATH 110, MATH 111, MATH 200

MICRB 106, MICRB 107, MICRB 120, MICRB 121A, MICRB 121B,

MICRB 150, and MICRB 151x

PHYS 1, PHYS 150, PHYS 151, PHYS 126

STAT 100

Science Supporting Courses List

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ENGL 15 or 30H [†]	3 BIOL 110S ^{*#†}	4
PSU 7	1 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	
	15	15

Second Year

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CAS 100 [†]	3 CMPSC 121 [*]	3
PHYS 211 or 250	4 PHYS 212 or 251 [*]	4
BIOL 220W (or BIOL 230W or BIOL 240W)	4 General Education Course	3
GEOG, GEOSC, MATSC, or MATSE Course (any level)	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 Science Course Supporting List	3
	15.5	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PHYS 213 (or PHYS 214 (if following PHYS 211/212 track))	2 Science Course Supporting List [*]	3
World Language Level 1	4 400-level Science Course Supporting List [*]	3
ENGL 202A (or ENGL 202B, or ENGL 202C, or ENGL 202D)	3 General Education Course	3
Science Course Supporting List	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
General Education Course	3 World Language Level 2	4
	15	14.5

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
STAT 200 or 250 (or MATH 230 or CMPSC 122) [*]	3-4 Course Program List [*]	3
Science 400-level Course Supporting List [*]	3 Course Program List [*]	3
Course Program List [*]	3 400-level Course Program List [*]	3
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Course Program List	3 Science 400-level Course Supporting List [*]	3
	15-16	15

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General Education Course	3	
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BIOL 220W or 230W (or BIOL 240W)	4 CMPSC 121 [*]	3
PHYS 250 or 211 [*]	4 ASTRO 10	2
GEOSC 20	3 ASTRO 11	1
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 PHYS 251 or 212 [*]	4
	General Education Course	3
	15.5	16

Third Year

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PHYS 213 or PHYS 214 or Elective (if following PHYS 250/251 track) [†]	2-3 World Language Level 2	4
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
ENGL 202A or 202B (or ENGL 202C or ENGL 202D) ^{††}	3 GEOSC 40	3
ASTRO 291 or GEOG 10	3 ASTRO 292	3
World Language Level 1	4 GEOSC 10	3
	400-Level Course Science Supporting List [*]	3
	15-16	17.5

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STAT 250 or 200 (or MATH 230 or CMPSC 122)	3-4 400-Level Course Program List [*]	3
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METEO 3 [†]	3 GEOSC Course [*]	3
400-Level Course Science Supporting List [*]	3 General Education Course [†]	3

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