

BIOENGINEERING, BSE

Bioengineering is a multidisciplinary area where the engineering sciences interface biology, biomedical sciences, and medicine, to advance human health. Bioengineering brings together the creation of new knowledge and understanding of biological systems through engineering analysis and experimentation, with the application of engineering design and practice principles for the development of devices, processes, methods and biotechnologies to improve medical practice and health care delivery.

For more information: <https://www.seas.upenn.edu/prospective-students/undergrad/majors/bioengineering/>

Bioengineering (BE) Major Requirements

40.5 course units are required. Read more about the Undergraduate Student Handbook (<http://www.seas.upenn.edu/undergraduate/handbook>).

Code	Title	Course Units
Engineering		
BE 100	Introduction to Bioengineering	0.5
BE 101	Introduction to Bioengineering II	0.5
ENGR 105	Introduction to Scientific Computing	1
BE 200	Introduction to Biomechanics	1
BE 220	Biomaterials	1
BE 301	Bioengineering Signals and Systems	1
BE 305	Engineering Principles of Human Physiology	1
BE 306	Molecular Physiology and Cellular Engineering from Atoms to Disease	1
BE 309	Bioengineering Modeling, Analysis and Design Laboratory I	1
BE 310	Bioengineering Modeling, Analysis and Design Laboratory II	1
BE 324	Chemical Basis of Bioengineering II	1
BE 350	Introduction to Biotransport Processes	1
BE 495	Senior Design Project	1
BE 496	Senior Design Project	1
BE Elective (400 or 500 level)		2
Engineering Elective		1
Math		
MATH 104	Calculus, Part I	1
MATH 114	Calculus, Part II	1
MATH 240	Calculus, Part III	1
or ENM 240	Differential Equations and Linear Algebra	
MATH 241	Calculus, Part IV	1
Select one of the following: ¹		1
ENM 375	Biological Data Science I - Fundamentals of Biostatistics	
ENM 321	Engineering Statistics	
ESE 302	Engineering Applications of Statistics	
STAT 431	Statistical Inference	
Natural Science		7.5
PHYS 140	Principles of Physics I (without laboratory)	

or PHYS 150 Principles of Physics I: Mechanics and Wave Motion
or PHYS 170 Honors Physics I: Mechanics and Wave Motion

PHYS 141 Principles of Physics II (without laboratory)
or PHYS 151 Principles of Physics II: Electromagnetism and Radiation
or PHYS 171 Honors Physics II: Electromagnetism and Radiation

EAS 091 Chemistry Advanced Placement/
International Baccalaureate Credit
(Engineering Students Only)

or CHEM 101 General Chemistry I

or CHEM 115 Honors Chemistry I

CHEM 102 General Chemistry II
or CHEM 116 Honors Chemistry II

CHEM 054 General Chemistry Laboratory II

BIOL 121 Introduction to Biology - The Molecular
Biology of Life

BIOL 123 Introductory Molecular Biology Laboratory

BIOL 204 Biochemistry

or BIOL 205 Cell Biology

or BIOL 221 Molecular Biology and Genetics

Technical Electives

Select two Engineering, Math, Science Electives ² 2

Social Sciences and Humanities ³

Select 2 Social Science courses 2

Select 2 Humanities courses 2

Select 1 Social Science or Humanities course 1

Select 2 Social Science, Humanities or Technology in
Business & Society courses 2

Ethics Requirement

Select one from the following:

EAS 203 Engineering Ethics

SOCI 101/ Bioethics

PHIL 072/PPE
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HSOC 102 Bioethics

HSOC 140 History of Bioethics

LGST 220 International Business Ethics

NURS 330 Theoretical Foundations of Health Care
Ethics

NURS 525 Ethical Aspects of Health and Technology

PHIL 472 Survey of Ethical Theory

SOCI 118 Sociology of Bioethics

Free Elective

Select 3 free elective courses 3

Total Course Units 40.5

¹ ENM 375 Biological Data Science I - Fundamentals of Biostatistics is recommended.

² If PHYS 150 Principles of Physics I: Mechanics and Wave Motion or PHYS 170 Honors Physics I: Mechanics and Wave Motion & PHYS 151 Principles of Physics II: Electromagnetism and Radiation or PHYS 171 Honors Physics II: Electromagnetism and Radiation taken then only 1 course unit technical elective required.

³ The Social Science & Humanities Depth, Writing & Ethics Requirements can be satisfied with the 7 total course units.

Concentrations

Students may select one of eight concentrations (<http://www.be.seas.upenn.edu/current-students/undergraduates/concentrations.php>):

- Biomedical Data Science and Computational Medicine
- Biomedical Devices
- Cellular/Tissue Engineering and Biomaterials
- Biomedical Imaging and Radiation Physics
- Systems and Synthetic Biology
- Neuroengineering
- Multiscale Biomechanics
- Therapeutics, Drug Delivery & Nanomedicine

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2018 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.
