

Dauphin Island

TROY is one of the founding members of the Marine Environmental Sciences Consortium. Better known as the Dauphin Island Sea Lab, the facility offers courses in the marine sciences to students across the State and the Nation.

A highlight of the Marine Biology program at TROY is the field experience at Dauphin Island. Students typically spend two summers at the Sea Lab and wish that they had time for more!

Please check out the web site for the Sea Lab at www.disl.org. The website provides information about the Sea Lab, including its facilities, faculty, and course offerings. In addition, it includes many links to other sites related to careers, internships, and graduate study.

Please consider the Marine Biology Program for your studies at TROY.

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Objective of the Marine Biology Program at TROY

A bachelor's degree at TROY in Marine Biology provides the academic and field experiences that prepare students for rewarding careers in marine science, such as conducting research at universities, marine laboratories, and working for industry or state and federal environmental agencies.

Overview of Program

The program of study includes two summers of classes at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab, located at the mouth of Mobile Bay, south of Mobile. During the Freshman and Sophomore years, students in the Marine Biology Program complete their foundation courses, such as Principles of Biology, Organismal Biology, General Chemistry, General Ecology, Principles of Cell Biology, and Organic Chemistry, which prepare them for advanced study. Students spend the summers after their Sophomore and

Junior years at the Sea Lab taking courses such as Marine Vertebrate Zoology, Oceanography, and Marine Ecology among the many choices. Students complete their upper level biology and physics classes during their Junior and Senior years at the TROY campus.

Program of Study

Freshman Year

Fall

Principles of Bio.
Principles of Bio Lab
Chemistry I
Chemistry I Lab
English I
Calculus I
Orientation

Spring

Organismal Bio.
Organismal Bio. Lab
Chemistry II
Chemistry II Lab
English II
Applied Statistics
General Studies

Sophomore Year

Fall

General Ecology
General Ecology Lab
Organic Chem I
Organic Chem I Lab
Literature
General Studies
General Studies

Spring

Prin. of Cell Bio.
Prin. of Cell Bio. Lab
Organic Chem II
Organic Chem II Lab
History
General Studies
General Studies

Summer

MB course
MB course

Junior Year

Fall

Invert. Zoology
Invert. Zool. Lab
Physics I
Physics I Lab
General Studies

Spring

Genetics
Genetics Lab
Physics II
Physics II Lab
Bio. Elective
Bio. Elective Lab

Summer

MB course
MB course

Senior Year

Fall

Elective (s) to complete degree

After Graduation

Congratulations! Many career opportunities are now available to you. There are jobs available at marine laboratories, both public and private, in industry, and with state and local governments.

Many students opt for a graduate degree in Marine Biology, which opens up even more career paths. A graduate degree is recommended.

Admission to graduate school is competitive and is based on a number of factors including undergraduate GPA (grade point average) as well as GRE (Graduate Record Examination) entrance scores.

Many graduate schools offer assistantships to help defray the costs of a graduate education.

