

DEPARTMENT OF **PLANT BIOLOGY, ECOLOGY AND EVOLUTION** College of Arts and Sciences

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BECOME a lab technician, field biologist, doctor, or more! **BLOSSOM** with a degree in Plant Biology!

| | FIRST YEAR | SECOND YEAR | THIRD YEAR | FOURTH YEAR+ | YOU WILL LEARN |
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| Your Courses | Build a strong scientific foundation with PBIO 1404 and Introductory Biology, General Chemistry, and general education natural science courses | Expand knowledge of biological processes with PBIO 2403 , Organic Chemistry, and general education courses natural science courses | Explore how plants function, develop and interact with the environment with PBIO 4400 , General Ecology, General Genetics, and elective courses | Discover how plants evolve and develop understanding of plant structures and functions with PBIO 4005, PBIO 4233, PBIO 4263, PBIO 4552 , and Evolution | How plants flourish from deserts to agricultural fields. How to use the scientific method to make discoveries about plants from cells to ecosystems. |
| Your Experience | Conduct an authentic research project in PBIO 1404 , explore independent research opportunities by contacting Plant Biology faculty | <i>Join a research lab,</i> learn how to perform experiments and analyze data with other students, attend a campus or local research event | Present research at a campus symposium or the Oklahoma Academy of Science and attend a national conference | Participate in publishing a scientific paper with your peers and mentors, get real world experience through an internship | How to communicate science in writing and speaking. How to use teamwork to solve complex problems |
| Your Community | Find your peer community in the OSU Botanical Society and attend Plant Biology events | Join Oklahoma Academy of Science or Oklahoma Native Plant Society, volunteer at a community organization | <i>Volunteer at a local school,</i> participate in Plant Biology recruiting events, attend Plant Biology research seminars | Join a professional society, such as the Botanical Society of America or American Society of Plant Biologists, attend a national scientific conference | WHAT IS NEXT Start your career in: Biotechnology, Health Sciences, Agriculture, Conservation. |
| Your Career Readiness | <i>Attend Plant Biology open</i> <i>house</i> to learn about the major and careers, get to know your instructors | Apply for research scholarships, such as Wentz and Niblack, attend the Oklahoma Academy of Science conference | <i>Learn about internships</i> from advisors and faculty, contact OSU Career Services, seek out REU opportunities at other universities | Attend job fairs, prepare applications for graduate school or jobs with help of faculty mentors | Enter a graduate or professional program in: Molecular Biology, Ecology, Evolutionary Biology, Pharmacology, Forensics |
| | Your Personalized Path | Consider a double major or mino | r with Biology, Biochemistry, Natu | ural Resources, Microbiology | |



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