

Cover Sheet: Request 14284

Zoology minor - exclude Plant Ecology

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Proposed Changes We would like to disallow PCB3601C Plant Ecology for counting towards the required courses PCB or ZOO courses for the Zoology minor, and clarify the catalog text regarding which courses do not count towards the minor because they are not offered by the Biology department.

Pedagogical Rationale/Justification The current requirements for the Zoology minor are BSC2010/L, BSC2011/L, and at least three courses/nine credits of PCB or ZOO courses from the Biology department. Courses taught under the PCB course code include some that are animal-focused (e.g. PCB4723C, Physiology and Molecular Biology of Animals), and some that are not specifically animal-focused but still relevant to a Zoology minor (e.g. PCB4674 Evolution, PCB4043C General Ecology).

However, PCB3601C is Plant Ecology, which is clearly not animal-focused, and should not count towards the required credits for a Zoology minor.

There are also some courses that use the PCB or ZOO course code that are already disallowed, either because they are not offered by the Biology department, or because they are independent study course codes; we would like the catalog to more clearly reflect which courses these are, as it is not always immediately apparent to students browsing the schedule of courses which department is associated with which course.

Impact on Other Programs No other impacts foreseen; this is not a common combination to begin with, and there are plenty of other PCB and ZOO courses offered that students can use to fill the minor's requirements.

The Zoology minor provides a solid foundation in the biology of animals, from the molecular to the organismal level, as well as their relationships to each other and the environment.

A minimum of nine credits must be completed at UF. Individual Studies in Zoology will not count toward the minor:

Course List		
Code	Title	Credits
BSC 4910	Individual Mentored Research in Biology	3
BSC 4912	Advanced Mentored Research in Biology	4
BOT 4911	Undergraduate Research in Botany	3
ZOO 4905	Individual Studies in Zoology	1-4
ZOO 4911	Undergraduate Research in Zoology	3

Students pursuing majors of biology, entomology, food science and human nutrition, microbiology, natural resource conservation or wildlife ecology are not eligible to receive the minor in zoology.

Students must complete a minimum of six credits of coursework exclusive to the minor that cannot count toward the major(s) or other minors.

Required Courses

Course List		
Code	Title	Credits
BSC 2010 & 2010L	Integrated Principles of Biology 1 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 1	4
BSC 2011 & 2011L	Integrated Principles of Biology 2 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 2	4
PCB or ZOO courses from the Department of Biology ¹		9-10
Total Credits		17-18

¹ Three courses of 3 or more credits each; must include at least one ZOO course. Does not include PCB2441, PCB3601C, PCB4905, ZOO4232, ZOO4905, or ZOO4911.