

Program Change Request

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Approval Path

1. 04/23/18 7:50 pm
Iosif Vaisman
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Approved for SSB
Program Chair

History

1. Nov 16, 2017 by
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Are you completing this form on someone else's behalf?

Yes

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Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

Program Level: Graduate

Program Type: Master's

Degree Type: Master of Science

Title: Bioinformatics Management, MS

Registrar/OAPI Use
Only – SCHEV
Status

Approved

Registrar's Office
Use Only –
Program Start
Term

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Concentration(s):

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Only –
Concentration CIP
Code

College/School: College of Science

Department /
Academic Unit: School of Systems Biology

Jointly Owned
Program? No

Justification **Three (3) courses to be added to the Bioinformatics Core course selection list; one (1) course removed from the Bioinformatics Core course list since it is no longer offered; three (3) courses removed from the Management Core courses list since two are no longer offered and one is restricted to School of Business MBA cohorts; more Management Core courses added to allow a greater choice in the Management list.**

Total Credits
Required: Total credits: 30

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Admission
Requirements:

Admissions

University-wide admissions policies can be found in the [Graduate Admissions Policies](#) section of this catalog.

To apply for this program, please complete the [George Mason University Admissions Application](#).

Eligibility

Applicants should have a bachelor's degree in biology, computer science, or a related field, with a GPA of at least 3.00 in their last 60 credits of study. Applicants should have taken courses in molecular biology, computer science, calculus, physical chemistry, and statistics. Students with deficiencies in one or more of these areas may be required to take additional courses from the undergraduate curriculum.

Application Requirements

To apply, prospective students should submit the [George Mason University Admissions Application](#), supply two copies of official transcripts from each college and graduate institution attended, a current résumé, and an expanded goals statement. Applicants should also include three letters of recommendation and official scores obtained on the GRE general exam. The GRE requirement will be waived if the student holds a master's degree from a U.S. institution. TOEFL or IELTS scores are required of all international applicants.

**Program-Specific
Policies:**

Policies

For policies governing all graduate programs, see [AP.6 Graduate Policies](#).

Degree Requirements:

Students should refer to the [Admissions & Policies](#) tab for specific policies related to this program.

Bioinformatics Core Courses

Foundational courses in modern biotechnology, tools and methods for bioinformatics analysis, and methods for creating customized bioinformatics tools.

Code	Course List Title	Credits
BINF 630	Bioinformatics Methods	3
BINF 631	Molecular Cell Biology for Bioinformatics	3
BINF 530	Introduction to Bioinformatics Methods	3
or BINF 630	Bioinformatics Methods	
BINF 531	Molecular Cell Biology for Bioinformatics	3
or BINF 631	Molecular Cell Biology for Bioinformatics	
BINF 634	Bioinformatics Programming	3
BINF 730	Biological Sequence and Genome Analysis	3
Select one from the following:		3
BINF 633	Molecular Biotechnology	
BINF 636	Microarray Methodology and Analysis	
BINF 702	Biological Data Analysis	
BINF 650	Introduction to Bioinformatics Database Design	
Total Credits		15

Management Core Courses

Foundational courses in management theory related directly to the management of scientific programs and personnel.

Code	Course List Title	Credits
MBA 638	Operations Management	3
GBUS 540	Analysis of Financial Decisions	3
MBA 712	Project Management	3
TECM 615	Decision Making Using Accounting and Financial Data	3
TECM 640	Management of Consulting and Technical Professionals	3
Select 6 additional credits from the following:		6
GBUS 550	Strategic Thinking	
MBA 725	Leadership	
or GBUS 551	Leadership	
TECM 611	Leadership and Change Management	
TECM 614	Financial and Cost Accounting	
TECM 620	Economics of Technology Management	
TECM 635	Decision Models for Technology Management	
TECM 641	Negotiation and Conflict Management	
TECM 643	Managerial Finance	

Code	Title	Credits
Total Credits		12

Capstone Research Project

Focusing on bioinformatics management issues and techniques.

Code	Course List	Title	Credits
BINF 798	Research Project		3
Total Credits			3

Plan of Study:

Additional Program Information

This information is required by the Office of Accreditation and Program Integrity.

Courses offered via distance (if applicable):

What is the primary delivery format for the program?	Face-to-Face Only
Does any portion of this program occur off-campus?	No
Are you working with a vendor / other collaborators to offer your program?	No
Related Departments	
Could this program prepare students for any type of professional licensure, in Virginia or elsewhere?	No
Are you adding or removing a licensure component?	No

Additional SCHEV & SACSCOC Information

Are you changing the total number of credits required for this program?

Are you changing the delivery format in any way (e.g adding an online option)?

Are you adding/removing a licensure option which was approved by SCHEV?

Will any portion of this program be offered at an off-campus location?

Are you adding significant new content areas to the program?

Will this program change affect any specialized accreditation?

Green Leaf Program Designation

Is this a Green Leaf program? No

Does this program cover material which crosses into another department?

Yes No

Impacted Departments

Department
School of Business

Additional
Attachments

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SCHEV Proposal

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Summary

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