

Bachelor of Science with a Major in Physics in Medicine

Students following the physics in medicine major program will gain a basic broad understanding of the concepts of physics, as well as a foundation for medical school. The program requires completion of 77 science credits total.

Students following the **Physics in Medicine** major are not allowed to add concentrations; the major program is already designed to accommodate the special interests of those students intending careers in medicine.

Requirements for the Core Physics in Medicine Major (32.5 Credits)

Course Title	Course Number	Credits	Semester Offered	Check (year)	Alternate**
Physics A Lab: Mechanics	10411/11411 (10310/11310)	4	Fall	FY	
Physics B Lab: Electricity & Mag	10422/11422 (10320/11320)	4	Spring	FY	
Physics C: Thermo & Relativity	20433	3	Fall	Soph	
Intro Circuitry and Electronics*	20430	1.5	Fall	Soph	
Math Methods in Phys I/Tutorial	20451/22451	3.5	Fall	Soph	Jr
Sophomore Seminar	23411	1	Fall	Soph	
Math Methods in Phys II/Tutorial	20452/22452	3.5	Spring	Soph	Jr
Intermediate Mechanics	20454	3	Spring	Soph	Jr
Physics D: Modern	20444	3	Spring	Soph	
Electricity & Magnetism	30471	3	Fall	Jr	Jr
Quantum Mechanics I	40453 (30465, 50602, 50501 or 50701)	3	Fall	Sr	

*Intro Circuitry and Electronics is considered a co-requisite of General Physics C-M. General Physics C-M and Modern Physics I are a continuous 1-year sequence and have to be started fall of sophomore year.

**Alternate possibility - less recommended

Non-Physics Courses (35.5 Credits)

Course Title	Course Number	Credits	Semester Offered	Check (year)	
Intro Chemical Principles/Lab	CHEM 10171/11171 (CHEM 10117 or 10181)	4	Fall	FY	☐
Calculus I/Tutorial	MATH 10550/12550 (MATH 10850)	4	Both	FY	☐
Organic Struct & Mechanisms	CHEM 10172/11172 (CHEM 10118 or 10182)	4	Spring	FY	☐
Calculus II/Tutorial	MATH 10560/12560 (MATH 10860)	4	Both	FY	☐
Biology I: Big Questions/Lab	BIOS 10171/11173	4	Fall	Soph	☐
Biology II: Molec to Ecos/Lab	BIOS 10172/11174	4	Spring	Soph	☐
Organic Reactions & Apps	CHEM 20273/21273 (CHEM 20223 or 20283)	4	Fall	Soph	☐
Calculus III/Tutorial	MATH 20550/22550 (MATH 20850 & 20860)	3.5	Fall	Soph	☐
Advanced General Chemistry	CHEM 20274/21274 (CHEM 20224 or 20284)	4	Both	Soph	☐

*Courses in parenthesis may substitute as indicated, though students are encouraged not to mix and match (for example, if you start with the math sequence you should stay with it if possible).

In addition, PHIM majors must complete 9 credits of Science Electives to be chosen from the following list:

Course Title	Course Number	Credits	Semester Offered	Check
Medical Physics*	PHYS 40371	3	Fall	☐
Physics of Cells	PHYS 50401	3	Fall	☐
Fundamentals of Genetics	BIOS 20303	3	Spring	☐
Vertebrate Physiology	BIOS 30344	3	Both	☐
Cellular Biology	BIOS 30341	3	Both	☐
Principles of Biochemistry	CHEM 40420	3	Both	☐

* Additional options available

Other college and university requirements to be completed, one of which must be a University seminar:

Requirement	Check
Foreign Language (Intermediate level)	☐
First-Year Composition	☐
Philosophy Requirement (2 classes)	☐
Theology Requirement (2 classes)	☐
History Requirement	☐
Social Sciences Requirement	☐
Literature/Fine Arts Requirement	☐

Science Requirements

Not all science courses will count toward degree credit or science elective credit for science majors. The survey science courses offered as option for non-science majors for their University science requirement will not count as a science elective or toward the minimum science credit hour requirement.

All College of Science courses offered by a major program must be taken at the University of Notre Dame. If a student wants to take a course outside Notre Dame for credit toward the Notre Dame degree, prior approval of the dean's office must be obtained. This does not apply to the courses taken by a transfer student prior to attending Notre Dame.

Language Requirements

The College of Science requires language proficiency through intermediate level in one of the following languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Greek, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish. Students may complete the language requirement by either completing a course taught at intermediate level or by demonstrating proficiency through placement examination.

Study Abroad

The spring semester of the Junior year is the preferred time for a semester abroad or for taking Literature and Fine Arts electives.

***Ask about the Physics honors track!**