

BS/MS Eligibility Requirements

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How to apply to the BS/MS Program in Biology at UC San Diego

Eligibility Requirements:

- Current UC San Diego Undergraduate Student
- Current Biology or ESYS EBE Major
- 3.000 Over all UC GPA
- 3.300 Upper Division Major GPA
- Enrolled in BISP 199, BISP 196, or BISP 193 for the final 1-3 undergraduate quarters

How to Apply:

- Find an eligible labⁱ
- Apply for BISP 199, BISP 196, OR BISP 193ⁱⁱ in your final 1 – 3 quarters as an undergraduate studentⁱⁱⁱ
- Find an eligible second faculty member to serve on the MS Thesis Committee (the third member will be selected in the MS program). Eligible titles include Professor Emeritus, Distinguished Professor, Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, or Research Scientist with Lecturer appointment. For students with advisors not in the Division of Biological Sciences, the second committee member must be [Biology faculty](#).
- Apply for the MS program^{iv}

For detailed information, review the [BS/MS Admissions webpage](#)

ⁱ Lab eligibility: The lab must be affiliated with UC San Diego. The lab faculty advisor (Principal Investigator) must have one of the following titles: Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Adjunct Professor, Professor Emeritus, Distinguished Professor. The lab must be able to host BS/MS students for the length of the BS/MS program (minimum 6 consecutive quarters).

ⁱⁱ Students pursuing the Education Research Specialization enrolling in BISP 193 must be working with a Biology faculty member holding the title of Teaching Professor.

ⁱⁱⁱ Review the [special studies course eligibility and application information](#).

^{iv} Application instructions are on the BS/MS Admissions webpage and the link to the application portal will be posted to the Admissions webpage when it opens.