

TYPICAL TIMELINE FOR PROFESSIONAL SCIENCE MASTER'S GRADUATE PROGRAM (full-time with a Fall start) (33 total credits)

- **26 credits (minimum) of graded coursework including 19 credits of 500-level graded coursework.**

SUMMER PRIOR TO FIRST YEAR: option of taking any necessary prerequisites or commencing coursework (Note: The program may be completed in three semesters **without** taking summer classes.)

P = Pullman campus

O = WSU Online

FIRST YEAR

1. FIRST SEMESTER (FALL)

Course enrollment (minimum 10 credit hrs.)

MBioS	503	Molecular Biology	3 credits	O
MBioS	513	General Biochemistry	3 credits	P or O
MBioS	583	Adv. Topics/ Professional Skills Seminar	1 credit	O
MBioS	578	Bioinformatics	3 credits	P or O
MBioS	702	Internship	1 st of 4 credits	O

Elective: 3 credits (may also be completed in second and third semesters)

-- **Choose at least one committee member** before the end of the semester.

2. SECOND SEMESTER (SPRING)

Course enrollment (minimum 10 credit hrs.)

MBioS	501	Cell Biology	3 credits	P or O
MBioS	580	Scientific Information Literacy	2 credits	O
MBioS	702	Internship	2 nd of 4 credits	O

Professional Requirement: Business Focus: (3 credits) Entrp. 486 or EM 508 or Mktg 506 or EM 505 **O**

Elective 3 credits (may also be completed in third semester)

-- **Choose additional graduate committee members** – at least three faculty members.

-- **Schedule and hold a committee meeting** before the end of the semester.

-- **Prepare the Program of Study** (form available on the Graduate School website); have this document ready for approval and signing by your committee at the semester meeting. Submit the Program to graduate committee members for review.

___ **Program of Study should be signed** by the graduate committee members at the committee meeting. Deliver signed document to Program Director for approval and signature of the Associate Director of Graduate Studies. The Program of Study will then be filed with the Graduate School for final approval.

SECOND YEAR

3. THIRD SEMESTER (FALL)

Course enrollment (minimum 10 credit hrs for full-time*)

Professional Requirement: Ethics Focus (2 credits) Phil 530 or Phil 532 or Phil 535 **O**

Professional Requirement: Communication Focus (3 credits) MBioS 580 or Engl 595 **O**

MBioS 702 Internship (1 credit) **O**

Complete any remaining electives to finish coursework. **It is recommended that students apply for graduation during the semester before the graduation semester. Apply through The Graduate School at <http://www.gradschool.wsu.edu/Forms/> and pay the \$50 graduation fee.**

4. FINAL SEMESTER

Course enrollment (minimum of two credits required for final ballot meeting*)

Professional Requirement: Management Focus (3 credits) EM 501 or EM 564 or EM 575 **O**

MBioS 702 Internship (2 credits) **O**

-- **Complete the graduation application and pay the \$50 graduation fee immediately.** Apply for graduation through the Graduate School at <http://www.gradschool.wsu.edu/Forms/>.

-- **Send your committee your internship report.** Once approved, reserve your ballot/final presentation meeting with your committee.

-- **Schedule the final examination** with committee members and through the Graduate School using the Final Examination Scheduling Form. At least ten working days prior to your presentation, submit the signed Scheduling Form to the Graduate School.

*10 credits is considered full-time enrollment. If you wish to reduce your credit load to part-time during your final semester(s), please familiarize yourself with Financial Aid regulations and student health insurance regulations. Both require you enroll in additional credits to maintain eligibility and defer student loans.

