

AMCAS® Application Course Classification Guide

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Biology (BIOL)

- Anatomy
- Biology
- Biophysics
- Biotechnology
- Botany
- Cell Biology
- Ecology
- Entomology
- Genetics
- Histology
- Immunology
- Microbiology
- Molecular Biology
- Neuroscience
- Physiology
- Zoology

Chemistry (CHEM)

- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Physical Chemistry
- Thermodynamics

Physics (PHYS)

- Astronomy
- Physics

Mathematics (MATH)

- Applied Mathematics
- Biostatistics
- Mathematics
- Statistics

Biology-Chemistry-Physics-Math (BCPM) Courses

Behavioral & Social Sciences (BESS)

- Anthropology
- Economics
- Family Studies
- Psychology
- Sociology

Business (BUSI)

- Accounting
- Finance
- Human Resources Studies
- Management
- Marketing
- Organizational Studies

Communications (COMM)

- Journalism
- Media Production & Studies
- TV, Video & Audio

Computer Science & Technology (COMP)

- Computer Science
- Computer Engineering
- Information Systems
- Telecommunications

Education (EDUC)

- Counseling & Personnel Services
- Curriculum & Instruction
- Educational Administration
- Educational Policy
- Health Education
- Human Development
- Physical Education (Except for sports courses.)
- Special Education

Engineering (ENGI)

- Aerospace Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering

English Language & Literature (ENGL)

- Composition & Rhetoric
- Creative Writing
- Literature

Fine Arts (ARTS)

- Art
- Art History
- Dance
- Fine Arts
- Music
- Photography
- Theatre

Foreign Languages, Linguistics, & Literature (FLAN)

- American Sign Language
- Comparative Literature
- Foreign Language(s) & Literature
- Linguistics

Government, Political Science, & Law (GOVT)

- Criminology & Criminal Justice
- Government
- International Relations & Studies
- Law/Legal Studies
- Political Science
- Public Affairs & Policy
- Urban Policy & Planning

Health Sciences (HEAL)

- Allied Health
- Chiropractic
- Dentistry
- Hearing & Speech Studies
- Hospital Administration
- Kinesiology
- Nursing
- Nutrition
- Occupational Therapy
- Optometry
- Osteopathy
- Physical Therapy

- Physician Assistant
- Public Health
- Pharmacology & Pharmacy
- Sports Medicine
- Veterinary Medicine

History (HIST)

- History

Natural & Physical Sciences (NPSC)

- Agriculture
- Animal & Avian Sciences
- Environmental Science & Policy
- Forestry
- Geography
- Geology
- Horticulture
- Landscape Architecture
- Meteorology
- Natural Resources
- Oceanography

Other (OTHR)

(All courses that do not fit appropriately in another classification)

- Architecture
- Library Science
- Military Science
- Sports (tennis, golf, aerobics, etc.)

Philosophy & Religion (PHIL)

- Ethics
- Logic
- Philosophy
- Religion
- Theology

Special Studies (SSTU)

- Afro-American Studies
- American Studies
- Gender Studies

Biology (BIOL)

- Neuro 3000
- Neuro 3010
- Neuro 3025
- Neuro 3050
- Neuro 3305
- Neuro 4050H
- Neuro 4100
- Neuro 4425
- Neuro 4500
- Neuro 4550
- Neuro 4640
- Neuro 4623
- Neuro 4640
- Neuro 4850
- Neuro 5790
- Neuro 7001
- Neuro 7002
- Neuro 7050
- Neuro 7500
- Psych 3313
- Psych 3513
- Psych 4305
- Psych 4501
- Psych 4644
- Psych 5600
- Psych 5603
- Psych 5622
- Psych 5613H
- Psych 5614
- Psych 5628
- Psych 5898
- EEOB 4550
- MolGen 4500

Chemistry (CHEM)

- BioChem 4511
- Chem 5230

Mathematics (MATH)

- MolGen 5650
- Psych 2220
- Psych 3321
- Stats 2450
- Stats 2480
- Math 4350
- Psych 5618

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Behavioral & Social Sciences (BESS)

- Psych 5606
- Psych 5608
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- Econ 5870
- Psych/CSE/Ling/Philos 5612

Linguistics & Foreign Language (FLAN)

- Ling 3701

Health Science (HEAL)

- SHS 5760
- Biopharm 5824

Engineering (ENGI)

- CSE 5526
- CSE 5052