WHY?

- Chancellor’s Office wants all campuses on same calendar
- Easier to transfer between CSU/Community Colleges
- Simplify administrative processes
- Better student opportunities for summer jobs & internships
**FALL 2020**

**QUARTERS**
- **Fall Quarter**
- **Winter Quarter**
- **Spring Quarter**

**Quarter**
- 10 weeks of class
- 1 Finals Week
- Typically 4 hours per week per class
- 16 units per quarter (approximately 4 classes)
- Bachelor’s degree minimum 180 units

**Semesters**
- **Fall Semester**
- **Spring Semester**

**Semester**
- 15 weeks of classes
- 1 Finals Week
- Typically 3 hours per week per class
- 15 units per quarter (approximately 5 classes)
- Bachelor’s degree minimum 120 units

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3 unit semester class (45 contact hours) = 4 unit quarter class (40 hours)
ANNUAL TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID IS DIVIDED INTO 3 QUARTERS

- $$ QUARTER
- $$ QUARTER
- $$ QUARTER

BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER
ENDS IN JUNE

ANNUAL TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID IS DIVIDED INTO 2 SEMESTERS

- $$$ SEMESTER
- $$$ SEMESTER

BEGINS IN AUGUST
ENDS IN MAY

QUARTER TO SEMESTER CONVERSION WILL NOT AFFECT ANNUAL TUITION.

- Total academic year fees for two semesters will equal three quarters.
- Financial aid also disbursed twice a year.
What if I’m still taking classes?

Will my degree program change?

Do I have to start over?

- If you begin your degree program before Fall 2020, your requirements won’t change. Semester courses have been identified to fulfill the quarter class requirements.

- If you change or add a degree program after Fall 2020, your requirements for all programs (GE, second major, minor) will switch to the semester requirements. Quarter units will be applied to your semester degree programs.
DON'T PANIC: PLAN NOW!
SEE AN ADVISOR FOR MORE INFO!

https://www.csusb.edu/advising/services/who-my-advisor

Your advisor can help you determine which classes to complete in 2019-20 in order to graduate on time.
For Biology majors planning on graduating before Fall 2020 (“Quarter Completers”)

- Take Biology major required courses as soon as you can
  - Biol 400, 450, 423; A and B category classes

- Use MyCAP to plan courses for the next year

- Tentative plans for Biology course offerings and schedules next year are on the CSUSB Biology website
  - [https://cns.csusb.edu/biology/undergraduate-program/tentative-schedule-biology-course-offerings](https://cns.csusb.edu/biology/undergraduate-program/tentative-schedule-biology-course-offerings)

- If you are near finishing but can’t get into required classes, see Department Chair (Dr. Chao) about possible substitutions

- See an advisor!!! Fill out a MyCAP!!!

- If you are graduating this year, congratulations!!!
For Biology majors planning on graduating in or after Fall 2020 ("Semester Completers")

• Take NSCI 306 this coming year (2019-2020) if you haven’t already
  • This will satisfy your “writing requirement” under both quarter and semester systems

• It may be advantageous for you to switch to Biology BS semester catalog, its requirements are more flexible...see and advisor about this

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• See an advisor!!! Fill out a MyCAP!!!
For BIOL 202 students

• Take NSCI 306 this coming year (2019-2020)!
  • This will satisfy your “writing requirement” under both quarter and semester systems

• Use MyCAP to plan courses for the next year

• Tentative plans for Biology course offerings are on the CSUSB Biology website and on the MyCoyote PAWS/MyCAP website
  • cns.csusb.edu/biology/undergraduate-program/tentative-schedule-biology-course-offerings

• Equivalents to essentially all Biology classes will be offered after the switch to semesters (see Biology website, Q2S billboard)

• It may be advantageous for you to switch to semester system requirements on or after Fall 2020

• See an advisor!!! Fill out a MyCAP!!!
MyCAP academic plan, roadmaps, course offerings on MyCoyote

Why fill out a MyCAP?
• To help you plan
• To help faculty plan course scheduling and offerings

How to fill out a MyCAP?
• Drag and drop courses (on left) into quarters (on right)
• Use roadmaps and course schedules/offerings to guide you
• [www.csusb.edu/advising/students/advising-tools/mycap](http://www.csusb.edu/advising/students/advising-tools/mycap)
• See and advisor for help!
Roadmaps, course offerings on Biology Website (Undergraduate Program)
Note: Essentially all quarter-system Biology courses have equivalents in the semester system.
See billboard opposite Biology office and Biology website (coming soon)

**B.S. in Biology semester degree requirements**

Arrows indicate prerequisites

Completion of or enrollment in Math 1301, 1303, 1401, 1403, 1501, 2210, or 2220

**General Chemistry (Year 1)**

Chem 2100 + 2100L
Chem 2200 + 2200L

**2nd-year Chemistry (Year 2): Choose from the following**

- **1 yr Organic Chemistry**
  - Chem 2400 + 2400L
  - Chem 2500 + 2500L
  - Organic + Biochemistry
  - Chem 2300 + 2400L
  - Chem 4100 + 4100L

- **Organic + Quantitative Chem.**
  - Chem 3200

**Intro. Biol. (Year 2)**

- Biol 2010
- Biol 2020
- Biol 301, 302, 304, or 305
- Biol. Seminar (Year 3 or 4)

**Calculus (Year 1)**

- Math 2210

**Math 1401, 1403, or suitable placement score**

- (150 by waiver)

**General Physics (Year 2 or 3): Choose from the following**

- Phys 2000 + 2000L
- Phys 2010 + 2010L
- Phys 2500 + 2500L
- Phys 2510 + 2510L
- Phys 2700

**General Ed. (GE) classes**

29 units upper division Biology, including at least one class from each of Groups A, B, C, and D (Years 3-4)*

**Group A (Cell/Molecular)**

- Biol 3100, 3120, 3200, 3300

**Group B (zoology)**

- Biol 3410, 3420, 3430, 3440, 3450, 3460, 3630, 3640

**Group C (botany)**

- Biol 3520, 3540, 4510, 4580

**Group D (Populations and Ecosystems)**

- Biol 3700, 3800, 3820

*Some upper division Biology classes may have Organic Chemistry, Biochemistry, or Calculus as prerequisites.
Advising resources for Biology majors

Biology faculty advising office hours
https://cns.csusb.edu/biology/faculty-staff/advising-office-hours

College of Natural Sciences Peer Advising Center (PAC)
https://cns.csusb.edu/peer-advising-center

Health Professions Advising Center (HPAC)
https://cns.csusb.edu/hpac

CSUSB advising services website
https://www.csusb.edu/advising/services/who-my-advisor
For more information, contact:
Q2S Office
semesterconversion@csusb.edu
(909) 537-7771

For more information visit
CSUSB.EDU/SEMESTER