CHECKLIST FOR MAJORS IN
CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES (191)
MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

The Department of Biological Science at Rutgers University-Newark and the Rutgers School of Health Professions (Rutgers-SHP) offer a joint Bachelor of Science degree program in Clinical Laboratory Sciences (CLS). CLS majors complete their prerequisite science and math courses at Rutgers University-Newark. They then apply to Rutgers-SHP in October for admission into the Medical Laboratory Sciences program (15 months, May-Sept). Admissions are competitive. Minimum admissions requirements include an overall GPA of 2.85, with grades of C or better in all pre-requisite science courses taken at Rutgers-Newark. Students who transfer into Rutgers University-Newark must complete at least half their biology credits at Rutgers University-Newark to qualify for the joint degree program.

CORE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE MAJORS

These courses are required of ALL Clinical Laboratory Science Majors (53 credits):

- Concepts of Biology (120:200) (4)
- Foundations of Biology: Cell & Molecular Biology (120:201) (3)
- Foundations of Biology Laboratory (120:202) (1)
- Foundations of Biology: Ecology & Evolution (120:205) (3)
- Foundations of Biology Laboratory (120:206) (1)
- General Microbiology (120:335) (4)
- Mammalian Physiology (120:340 or NJIT BIOL 340) (4)
- Immunology (120:350) (3)
- Cell Biology (120:355) (3)
- General Chemistry (160:115,116) (4,4)
- General Chemistry Lab (160:113,114) (1,1)
- Organic Chemistry (160:335-336) (4,4)
- Organic Chemistry Lab (160:331) (2)
- Pre-calculus (640:114) (4) or Calculus I (640:135) (4)
- Probability and Statistics (640:211 or NJIT MATH 105) (3)

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS (8 elective credits) -- SEE NEXT PAGE.
COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Writing Intensive Courses: Rutgers University-Newark College of Arts and Sciences (NCAS) requires two “writing intensive” courses, one of which must be taken “within the major department.” Since the Clinical Laboratory Sciences major is administered by the Department of Biological Sciences, you must attempt to register for a writing intensive course from among the Biology Department’s offerings. If you are unable to register for one of these courses, please see Dr. Tran for permission to substitute a WI course from another department. You must complete the WI requirements and all other “General Education” requirements before you transfer to the Rutgers School of Health Professions.

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

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Eight additional credits of science electives are required for Medical Laboratory Sciences. The following courses are recommended, but you can substitute other science electives with permission.

- Genetics (120:352) (3)
- Molecular Biology (120:356) (3)
- Experimental Analytical Chemistry (160:227) (3)
- General Physics (750:203,204) (4,4)
- Introductory Physics Lab (750:205,206) (1,1)

Courses at Rutgers-School of Health Professions:
Please refer to the Rutgers-SHP online catalog for a listing of the 40+ credits of professional courses you will take in Medical Laboratory Sciences in your final 15 months at Rutgers-SHP.

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