

BIOL 2950 Directed Research and BIOL 4950 Directed Study

BIOL 2950/4950 courses are independent research projects that students conduct under the supervision of a biology professor. They are between 1 and 4 credits depending on the scope of the project.

BIOL 2950 is targeted to freshmen and sophomore students who do not yet have eleven hours of upper-level biology courses. This class can be used to satisfy general elective credits for either the BA or BS Biology degrees. The class can be taken as many times as you want.

BIOL 4950 is targeted to junior and senior students and you must have eleven hours of upper-level biology credits completed *before* you begin the project. Up to three credit hours of this course can be used to satisfy the upper-level biology elective requirement for either the BA or BS Biology. You can take additional hours of this course if you wish, but the additional hours will count as elective credits.

To sign up for these courses you need to identify a biology professor who is willing to work with you on a research project. Once you and the professor have agreed on the scope of the project, the professor will fill out a form describing the project and the number of credits requested. You and the professor will sign the form, and then it will be given to the Department Head for approval. Once approved, the Departmental secretary will add you to the course and the name of the professor will replace Dr. Gannon's name listed on the course schedule.