

# Course Change Request

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Viewing: **BIOL 405 : Microbial Genetics**

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Catalog Pages  
referencing this  
course

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## In Workflow

1. **BIOL Undergraduate Representative**
2. **SC Curriculum Committee**
3. SC Assistant Dean
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5. Registrar-Courses
6. Banner

## Approval Path

1. 03/17/26 3:33 pm  
Geraldine Grant  
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Representative

## History

1. Dec 21, 2018 by  
Gregory Craft  
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2. May 2, 2020 by Tory  
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3. Nov 18, 2022 by  
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4. Mar 29, 2024 by  
Valerie Olmo-volmo  
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**Are you completing this form on someone else's behalf?**

No

**Effective Term:** Spring 2027**Subject Code:** BIOL - Biology**Course Number:** 405**Bundled Courses:****Is this course replacing another course?** No**Equivalent Courses:****Catalog Title:** Microbial Genetics**Banner Title:** Microbial Genetics**Will section titles vary by semester?** No**Credits:** 4**Schedule Type:** Lecture w/Lab**Hours of Lecture or Seminar per week:** 3**Hours of Lab or Studio per week:** 3**Repeatable:** May be only taken once for credit, limited to 3 attempts (N3)**Max Allowable Credits:**  
12**Default Grade Mode:** Undergraduate Regular**Recommended Prerequisite(s):****Recommended Corequisite(s):****Required Prerequisite(s) / Corequisite(s) (Updates only):**(BIOL305 or L305 or 246) and (BIOL306 or L306) and (BIOL311 or BIOL L311) and (BIOL313)**Registrar's Office Use Only - Required Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s):**

And/Or	(	Course/Test Code	Min Grade/Score	Academic Level	)	Concurrency?
	(	BIOL 305	C	UG		
Or		BIOL L305	T	UG		
Or		BIOL 305	XS	UG	)	
Or	(	BIOL 246	C	UG		
Or		BIOL U246	T	UG	)	
And	(	BIOL 306	C	UG		
Or		BIOL L306	T	UG		
Or		BIOL 306	XS	UG	)	

**Registration  
Restrictions  
(Updates only):**

**Registrar's Office Use Only - Registration Restrictions:**

**Field(s) of Study:**

**Class(es):**

**Level(s):**

**Degree(s):**

**School(s):**

**Catalog**

**Description:**

Study of structure and function of bacterial DNA, emphasizing mechanisms of gene transfer, expression and regulation. Introduces DNA repair, mutation, and life cycles of bacteriophage.

**Justification:**

What: adding genetics prerequisite

Why: Students need the basic genetics background to understand the more complicated higher-level genetics concepts taught in this course.

**Does this course cover material which crosses into another department?** No

**Learning Outcomes:**

**Will this course be scheduled as a cross-level cross listed section?**

**Attach Syllabus**

**Additional Attachments**

**Specialized Course Categories:**

**Have you reached out to the Libraries to determine whether there are adequate resources to support your course? If not, please email Meg Meiman, Associate University Librarian for Learning, Research, and Engagement at [mmeiman2@gmu.edu](mailto:mmeiman2@gmu.edu).**

**Additional Comments:**

**Reviewer Comments**

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