Neuroscience (BS)
(Neurobiology Concentration)

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Neuroscience is an interdisciplinary field in which scientists from many backgrounds apply the tools of biology, cognitive science, psychology, chemistry, mathematics, statistics, computer science, and engineering to develop a comprehensive understanding of brain function at the level of molecules, neurons, brain circuits, cognitive brain modules, and behavior.

The goal of this interdisciplinary program between the Dietrich College and the Mellon College of Science is to provide an intensive interdisciplinary education to enable outstanding students to become leaders in identifying and solving tomorrow’s Neuroscience problems using a variety of methods. There are three concentration areas: Neurobiology; Cognitive Neuroscience; Computation Neuroscience. Students (may complete only one concentration).

This is a suggested schedule for the 2 years for a Primary Major.

Suggested Plan for Neuroscience with Neurobiology concentration:

1st semester (50 units)
• Complete 2:
  76-101, Interpretation & Argument
  79-104, Global Histories
  Freshman Seminar
• 99-101 or 99-102, C@CM
• 03-121, Modern Biology
• 21-120, Diff. & Integral Calculus
• 09-105, Intro to Modern Chem. I+

2nd semester (47 units)
• Complete 1:
  76-101, Interpretation & Argument
  79-104, Global Histories
  Freshman Seminar
• 36-247, Statistics for Lab Science
• 21-122, Int., Diff., Equ., & Approx.
• 09-106, Modern Chemistry II
• 03-161, Molecules to Mind

3rd semester (49 units)
• 85-211, Cognitive Psychology
• 03-231, Biochemistry I
• 09-217, Organic Chemistry I
• 09-221, Lab. I: Intro Chem. Anal.
• 33-111, Physics for Sci. St. I

4th semester (49 units)
• 03-240, Cell Biology
• 09-218, Organic Chemistry II
• GenEd**
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*If required to start with 21-111, complete 21-112, then 21-122.
**Elective: This space can be used for a pre-requisite course, another GenEd course, major course, or for a course you are interested in.
***Suggested substitution for the GenEd requirement 36-201 is: 36-247, Statistics for Lab Sciences (prereq: 21-120).
+It is essential to start with the chemistry course, 09-105, in the first semester

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