Biological, Health and Environmental Science Division Office Registration/Prerequisite Information

Registration dates, times and policies are assigned by the De Anza College Admissions and Records office. The college has various priority registration groups that usually register for classes the week before continuing student registration. The division policy is to limit the biology registration to 10 seats during the priority time period. Additional wait listed spots are available once continuing student registration begins. At that time students must follow the procedure below. Please note that additional wait listed spots will not be available until approximately 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. on the first day of continuing student registration. When registering on the assigned date to register, please note that you will see/hear a message that says "Class Closed" for all the Biology 6A, B & C, 40A, B &C, 26 and 45 courses. Students will need to add to the waitlist. Once student records are checked for prerequisites, students are enrolled into the class, pending space availability in the class, in the exact order on the wait list.

Biology course pre-requisites are established by the faculty and approved by the college Curriculum Committee. They are published in the De Anza College Catalog and in the quarterly schedule of classes. The purpose of pre-requisites is to insure that the students have a fair chance to succeed. They need the skills and building blocks from previous courses to succeed. Pre-requisites do not guarantee success but they certainly improve the opportunity for success. Pre-requisites will be ENFORCED for the Biological, Health and Environmental Sciences Division!

Biology Flow Chart for Prerequisite courses:

Prior to registration for Biology 6A the student MUST have taken and successfully passed the Chemistry Placement Test. OR: Completed Chemistry 50 or Chemistry 1A with a C or better grade. Prior to registration for Biology 40A the student MUST have taken and successfully passed the Biology 40A Placement Test. OR: Completed Chemistry 50 or Chemistry 1A with a C or better grade.

For Biology 6B, the student must have a C or better in Biol 6A. For Biology 6C, the student must have a C or better in Biol 6B and Biol 6A. For Biology 40B, the student must have a C or better in Biol 40A. For Biology 40C, the student must have a C or better in Biol 40B and Biol 40A.

For Biology 45 and Biology 26, the student must have *either* completed the biology majors series (Biology 6A, 6B, and 6C) or the anatomy and physiology series (Biology 40A, 40B, and 40C) with C or better grades.

Students with course work from another institution need to bring a copy of their transcripts (may be unofficial) for all courses to the Biological and Health Sciences Division Office (S-31) to request an equivalency determination. This includes students who already have an advanced degree (BS, MS, PhD, etc.) or have extensive work experience in a related field. The Dean will evaluate each student's situation/record on a case-by-case basis and approve or deny the request for equivalency. All Equivalency Determinations And Testing (To Include The Recording Of The Test Results) Must Be Completed Prior To Registration. An approved equivalency or passing test score does NOT guarantee that space will be available in the desired class. The student must follow college registration and enrollment policies and procedures. The instructor may drop any student who does not attend or is late to the first class.

NOTE: A student may repeat a course ONLY if they have a W, a grade of D or F, or need to be within a currency requirement of a specific program (such as within the seven year time frame required by nursing). ONLY ONE repeat is allowed.