

## School of Biology Graduate Student Registration Guide

	<b>Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA)</b>	<b>Graduate Research Assistantship (GRA)</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>	<p><b>Fall</b></p> <p>BIOL XXXX Coursework 6+ hours            BIOL 8002 Seminar 1 hour            CETL 8000 TA Preparation 1 hour            BIOL 8997 GTA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 8901 Lab Rotation 3 hours (optional) OR...            BIOL 9000 Thesis 3-16 hours (to total 21 hours)</p> <p><b>Spring</b></p> <p>BIOL XXXX Coursework 6+ hours            BIOL 8106 Tools Science 2 hours            BIOL 8003 Seminar 1 hour            BIOL 8997 GTA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 8902 Lab Rotation 3 hours (optional) OR...            BIOL 9000 Thesis 3-15 hours (to total 21 hours)</p> <p><b>Summer</b></p> <p>BIOL 8997 GTA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 3-13 hours (to total 16 hours)</p>	<p><b>Fall</b></p> <p>BIOL XXXX Coursework 6+ hours            BIOL 8002 Seminar 1 hour            BIOL 8998 GRA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 3-17 hours (to total 21 hours)</p> <p><b>Spring</b></p> <p>BIOL XXXX Coursework 6+ hours            BIOL 8106 Tools Science 2 hours            BIOL 8003 Seminar 1 hour            BIOL 8998 GRA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 3-12 hours (to total 21 hours)</p> <p><b>Summer</b></p> <p>BIOL 8998 GRA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 3-12 hours (to total 16 hours)</p>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year onward...</b>	<p><b>Fall and Spring</b></p> <p>BIOL XXXX Coursework 0-9 hours (to fulfill requirements)            BIOL 8997 GTA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 9-18 hours (to total 21 hours)</p> <p><b>Summer</b></p> <p>BIOL 8997 GTA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 9-13 hours (to total 16 hours)</p>	<p><b>Fall and Spring</b></p> <p>BIOL XXXX Coursework 0-9 hours (to fulfill requirements)            BIOL 8998 GRA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 9-18 hours (to total 21 hours)</p> <p><b>Summer</b></p> <p>BIOL 8998 GRA Audit 3 audit hours            BIOL 9000 Thesis 9-13 hours (to total 16 hours)</p>

### Notes:

- Register for required coursework and adjust your thesis or lab rotation hours to meet the maximum: 21 hours in the fall and spring, 16 hours in the summer. Refer to the graduate handbook for more details, this is only a guide.
- Graduate students supported by a Teaching or Research assistantship must register for a minimum of 12 credit hours.
- It is possible for first year students being supported by a Teaching Assistantship to switch into a Research Assistantship as soon they have found their permanent lab. It is recommended to do so by the summer of your first year.
- It is acceptable for first year students starting on a Research Assistantship to start lab rotations the second semester to explore different lab options. Always talk to your advisor!