Biology

Course length: Full year
Credit value: 20 credits

Advice to students
The completion of Stage 1 Biology is highly recommended.

Course overview
Biology is organised around the following four topics:
• DNA and proteins
• Cells as the basis of life
• Evolution
• Homeostasis.

Students deconstruct problems and use scientific methods to design investigations and critically evaluate the results they obtain. They work and communicate with others on group tasks. Students explore the bi-directional relationship between science and society.

Assessment
Students demonstrate evidence of their learning through the following assessment types:

School-based assessment
• Investigations folio 30%
• Skills and applications tasks 40%

External assessment
• Examination 30%

Pathways
This subject provides a useful introduction to tertiary science courses.

Further information
Students are strongly advised to purchase a Study Guide (usually available early Term 2).