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# STAY ON COURSE



**Guided Pathways to  
Success for STEM**

## BIOLOGY SCIENCE

### What our College & Career Navigator can do for you:

- Assists in registering for GPSTEM programs at BCC
- Help with GPSTEM career pathways plan
- Help students overcome barriers that could prevent student success
- Direct students to internal and external resources for assistance
- Guide students through the process of registration, funding sources and general questions
- Guidance for Transfer or Employment
- Connect students to BerkshireWorks, the county's one-stop career center, providing comprehensive services for job-seekers including career readiness, placement and unemployment services.
- One-on-one assistance throughout their educational career from admissions to employment or transfer



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Accommodations for students with disabilities: It is a college policy to provide, on a flexible and individualized basis, accommodations reasonable to students who have disabilities that may affect their ability to participate in course activities or to meet course requirements. Students with disabilities are encouraged to discuss their individual needs for accommodations with Pamela Farron (Ext. 1608) in the Disability Resource Center located in the Student Development Center (next to the College Store) in the Susan B. Anthony Center.

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# Biology Science

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## WHAT does a Biology Technician do?

- Assist biological and medical scientists in laboratories
- Set up, operate, and maintain laboratory instruments
- Monitor experiments
- Make observations, and calculate and record results
- Analyze organic substances, such as blood, food, and drugs

## WHERE can a Biological Concentration take you?

### Job-related Titles:

- Biological Science Laboratory Technician
- Biological Technician
- Environmental Technician
- Laboratory Technician
- Research Assistant
- Research Associate
- Research Specialist
- Research Technician
- Resource Biologist
- Wildlife Biology Technician



## JOB GROWTH

Employment of biological technicians is **projected to grow 10 percent from 2012 to 2022**, about as fast as the average for all occupations. Greater demand for biotechnology research is expected to increase the need for these workers.



## WAGES

In Massachusetts, science technicians earn a median wage of **\$36,380–\$49,490** per year. **Source:** Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. *Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2014–15 Edition.*

## MassTransfer

**This is a MassTransfer eligible program.** The MassTransfer program includes the MassTransfer Block — a set of general education, core requirements consisting of a minimum of 34 college-level credits. The program also ensures that a minimum of 60 credits will be accepted and applied to your baccalaureate program at a Massachusetts state university or University of Massachusetts campus. Depending on your GPA, you may also qualify for guaranteed admission and a tuition discount. For more information contact BCC Transfer Coordinator Geoffrey Tabor. Additional information on transfer agreements can be found at [www.mass.edu/masstransfer](http://www.mass.edu/masstransfer).

## Suggested Biology Pathway



**ENROLL NOW AT BCC** to begin working toward your **A.A. in Liberal Arts with a Biological Science Concentration** — and start your pathway to success! Learn more at [www.berkshirecc.edu/gpstem](http://www.berkshirecc.edu/gpstem).