

## Bachelor of Science (Marine Biology)

Useful study planning/enrolment resources:

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**Attention International Student visa holders:** To remain compliant with your enrolments requirements as a Student visa holder you are required to enrol in at least one On-Campus, Multi-Modal or WIL subject offering in each compulsory study period and you cannot enrol in more than one third (33%) of your total course load through online or distance learning. To complete your course within your CoE duration students must maintain sufficient subject enrolment.

If there are only Online subject offerings for you to select in a compulsory study period, contact [enrolments@jcu.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@jcu.edu.au) urgently for enrolment advice.

The College of Science and Engineering will be offering some subjects in Block 3 and Block 4 (see the [Academic Calendar](#) for Block 3 and 4 dates). International students must maintain enrolment in subjects across the whole Trimester 2 period (May - August) and can do this by enrolling in a combination of Block 3 and Block 4 subjects, and/or Trimester 2 subjects and full-time enrolment load in an academic year.

	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
<b>2025</b>	SC1101:03 Science Technology and Truth	MA1020:03 Preparatory Mathematics (or any Level 1, 2 or 3 or 5 subject if already satisfied via previous study)	SC1102:03 Modelling Natural Systems <i>PREREQ: MA1020 or MA0020 or Senior Mathematics or equivalent</i> <b>OR</b> SC1109:03 Modelling Natural Systems – Advanced <sup>^</sup> <i>PREREQ: MA1000</i>
	<b>Major</b> BS1007:03 Introduction to Biodiversity	CH1020:03 Preparatory Chemistry (or any Level 1, 2 or 3 or 5 subject if already satisfied via previous study)	<b>Major</b> BS1001:03 Introduction to Biological Processes
	Elective from <b>List 1 (Breadth Subjects)</b> <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i>		Elective from <b>List 1 (Breadth Subjects)</b> <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i>

<sup>^</sup>Note: SC1109 is compulsory in the Advanced BSc Program and should be taken instead of SC1102 if you are considering that pathway.

	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
2026	SC2202:03 Quantitative Methods in Science <i>PREREQ: SC1102 or SC1109</i> <b>OR</b> SC2209:03 Quantitative Methods in Science-Advanced <i>PREREQ: MA1003 and SC1109 and 6 credit points of Level 1 Subjects</i>	Elective <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i>	<b>Major</b> BS2460:03 Fundamentals of Ecology <i>PREREQ: 6 credit points of level 1 or 2 BZ, BS or EV subjects</i>
	<b>Major</b> BS2470:03 Evolution <i>PREREQ: BZ1001 or BS1001 or BZ1005</i>	Select 3 credit points of subjects from <b>List 2 (Skills Subjects)</b> <i>* Recommended – EV2502:03 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (BL4)</i>	Elective <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i>
	<b>Major</b> MB2050:03 Functional Biology of Marine Organisms <i>PREREQ: BZ1004 or BZ1007 or BS1007 or BZ1006</i>		Elective <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i>

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2027	<p><b>Major</b> MB3210:03 Life History and Evolution of Reef Corals <i>PREREQ: (SC2202 or SC2209 or BS2001 or BZ2001 or AG2001) and at least a result of CREDIT in MB2060 or BS2460</i></p> <p><b>OR</b> MB3160:03 Evolution and Ecology of Reef Fishes (BLOCK 4) <i>PREREQ: MB2050 and (MB2060 or BS2460) and a minimum mark of CREDIT in BS2470 or MB2070 (or MB5070 or equivalent) Prior Approval</i></p>	<p>Elective <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i></p>	<p>SC3008:03 Professional Placement (TR1, TR2, TR3) <i>PREREQ: 12 credit points of second year subjects. Restricted to students with an approved placement</i></p> <p><b>OR</b> SC3003:03 Science Research Internship (TR1, TR2, TR3)* <i>PREREQ: 15 credit points of AQ, BC, BS, BZ, CH, EV, EA, MA, MB, PH or SC science level 2 subjects and a GPA of 5.5</i> <i>*Students must source a supervisor for their internship before enrolment</i></p>
	<p><b>Major</b> MB3050:03 Biological Oceanography <i>PREREQ: (BS1007 or BZ1007) and MB2050 and (SC2202 or SC2209 or BS2001 or BZ2001)</i></p>	<p>Elective <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i></p>	<p>Elective <b>OR</b> Second Major Subject <i>(depending on chosen structure)</i></p>
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