

**MEMORANDUM**

Date: February 19, 2026

To: Carmala Garzione, Dean, College of Science  
Rebecca Gomez, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Student Success, College of Science  
Ryan Gutenkunst, Department Head, Molecular and Cellular Biology, College of Science  
Michael Worobey, Department Head, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Science

From: Greg L. Heileman, Vice Provost, Academic Affairs

Re: Notification of New Program Approval

This memorandum serves as formal notification and official record for approval to establish a new Bachelor of Science in Genetics and Genomics within the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology (0417) in collaboration with the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (0420), in the College of Science. First admit term is Fall 2026.

By copy of this memo, I am requesting that appropriate changes be made to systems, records, and publications to reflect the creation of the program.

cc: Patricia Prelock, Provost and Chief Academic Officer  
Gary Packard, Interim Senior Vice Provost, Online Initiatives  
Caleb Simmons, Vice Provost, Arizona Online  
Marilyn Taylor, Associate Vice President, Finance and Administration  
Amanda Gluski, Associate Registrar, Office of the Registrar  
Academic Programs & Organizations Notifications Distribution List



The following has been created in UAccess.

Effective Date: 08/01/2026

**Academic Plan Code: GGBS / GGBS2**

**Description: Genetics and Genomics**

Academic Program: USCNC (College of Science)

Academic Career: *blank*

Academic Plan Type: Major / Secondary Major

First Term Valid: Fall 2026 (2264)

Degree Offered: BS

Req Term Default: Program's Requirement Term

Print on Diploma & Transcript: Checked

Diploma Description: Genetics and Genomics

Transcript Description: Major in Genetics and Genomics

CIP Code: 26.0801 (Genetics, General.)

NSC Classification: Bachelor's Degree

Report as NSC Program: Checked

Program Length Type: Years

Program Length Value: 4.000

SULA Special Program: Not Applicable

Ownership, Academic Organization:

0417 (Molecular & Cellular Biology) – Percent Owned: 50.000

0420 (Ecology & Evolutionary Biology) – Percent Owned: 50.000

Campus & Locations:

Campus: University of Arizona-Main (MAIN) – Location: Tucson (TUCSON)

First Admit Term: Fall 2026 (2264)

Budget Office Owners:

0417 (Molecular & Cellular Biology) – Percent Owned: 50.000 – Primary Owner

0420 (Ecology & Evolutionary Biology) – Percent Owned: 50.000

Total Units: 120

Effective Term: Fall 2026 (2264)