

## Important Notice

*for students pursuing the Specialized Honours BSc in **Biochemistry** or the Specialized Honours BSc in Chemistry – **Pharmaceutical & Biological Chemistry** stream*

The Department of Biology is reorganizing its 2000-level biochemistry and genetics courses effective Fall 2011.

### What is happening?

Currently, BCHM/BIOL 2020, 2021 and BIOL 2040 are 4-credit courses. Now, the lab components of these three courses are being removed from these courses and are being grouped into a new, 3-credit lab-only course, BIOL 2070 3.0. At the same time, the current 4-credit courses are becoming 3-credit courses. As of Fall 2011, only the 3-credit courses will be offered. Degree requirements currently requiring BCHM/CHEM 2020 4.0, BCHM/BIOL 2021 4.0 and BIOL 2040 4.0 will now require BCHM/CHEM 2020 3.0, BCHM/BIOL 2021 3.0, BIOL 2040 3.0 and BIOL 2070 3.0.

### What does this mean for you?

Current degree requirements call for the 4-credit versions of BCHM/BIOL 2020, 2021 and BIOL 2040.

If you have already taken (or will complete by April 2011) the 4-credit versions of these courses, then you need do nothing. This change concerns you only if you have *not* completed all three of these 4-credit courses.

The 4-credit courses will be offered *for the last time in Summer 2011*. That will be your last chance to complete your degree requirements as originally formulated. If you cannot complete your degree requirements this summer with the 4-credit courses that you are missing, then use the following Chart to determine what courses you must now take to complete your degree requirements.

		current courses			new courses			
		BCHM/BIOL 2020 4.0	BCHM/BIOL 2021 4.0	BIOL 2040 4.0				
					BCHM/BIOL 2020 3.0	BCHM/BIOL 2021 3.0	BIOL 2040 3.0	BIOL 2070 3.0
if you have completed	✓	✓	✓	✓	nothing -- you're done			
	✓					✓	✓	✓
	✓		✓				✓	
	✓			✓		✓		
				✓	✓	✓		✓
then do the following					✓	✓		✓

### You don't need to wait until Fall to take some of the new courses

The 3-credit versions of BCHM/BIOL 2020 and 2021 are being offered for the first time in summer 2011. You can therefore take these versions of the courses to help you to fulfill your degree requirements without waiting for Fall term.