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# Department of Biology and Microbiology Records

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## Collection Summary

### *Identifier*

UA 5.6

### *Title*

College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, Department of Biology and Microbiology Records

### *Creator*

Department of Biology and Microbiology, College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, South Dakota State University

### *Dates*

Circa 1977-2003

### *Extent*

0.21 linear feet -- 1 small document case

### *Language*

English

### *Repository*

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### *Abstract*

The Biology and Microbiology Department at offers Undergraduate and Graduate degrees in Biological Science. The collection is composed of publications generated by the Biology and Microbiology Department, included are pamphlets, newsletters, and posters.

## **Historical Note**

Instruction in the biological sciences began at South Dakota State University in 1885. The first student to graduate in that area did so in 1888. In 1897, when departments were first established on campus, biology was not included. Courses were taught in a number of related fields however through a number of departments including zoology, botany and entomology, to name a few. An independent Department of Biology was not established until 1980, although the Department of Botany and Biology had existed since 1966.

Today, the Biology and Microbiology Department offers curricula leading to the Bachelor's degree with a major in biology. The undergraduate biology major has two different programs from which to choose: the curriculum in Biological Sciences, College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, or the curriculum in Arts and Science. The two programs are identical except for the individual college's requirements. Students majoring in biology will select among four areas of emphasis depending upon their particular interest and needs: 1) The Biology emphasis prepares a students to work in a large variety of areas of the biological sciences; 2) The Botany emphasis concentrates on the scientific study of plants providing for professions in plant research and industry; 3) the Zoology emphasis highlights the scientific study of animal life and provides the basis for many related disciplines such as medicine and health sciences, veterinary science, and oceanography; and 4) the Pre-professional emphasis is designed for students planning on admission into professional, health science programs.

## **Contents Note**

Composed of material published by the Biology and Microbiology Department, included are pamphlets, newsletters, and posters.

## Key Words

South Dakota State University -- Bio-molecular Enhancement Program

South Dakota State University. Department of Biology and Microbiology.

South Dakota State University -- Environmental Management

## Administrative Information

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
1	1	Bio-molecular Sciences Enhancement Program seminar lecture (poster)	1990
1	2	Department of Biology and Microbiology [newspaper format magazine]	1998, 1999

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
1	3	Environmental Management at South Dakota State University (brochure)	1980
1	4	Graduate work in Biology (brochure)	1977 circa
1	5	Newsletters	1989, 1994
1	6	Pamphlets	undated
1	7	Poster - Lecture	2003