Proposed Two-Year Plan

MA, Biological Sciences

Below is a sample program for an entering graduate student who wishes to complete an MA degree in 2 years. Keep in mind that many graduate students extend their stay at San Jose State University to more than 2 years because they work or have other obligations that necessitate that they proceed more slowly through their coursework. This program presumes that the student has met all of the prerequisite requirements before beginning graduate classes. The program is for the Masters of Arts in Biological Sciences. Students should consult their major advisor as soon as possible and, at a minimum, each semester thereafter.

Fall – Year 1	Units
BIOL 201	0.5
BIOL 202	3
BIOL 255	3
TOTAL	6.5

Fall – Year 2	Units
Approved Elective	3
Approved Elective	3
Approved Elective	3
TOTAL	9

Spring – Year 1	Units
BIOL 201	0.5
Approved Elective	3
Approved Elective	3
BIOL 284	1
TOTAL	7.5

Spring – Year 2	Units
Approved Elective	3
Approved Elective	3
BIOL 284	1
Written and oral exams (Option 1)	
or project review (Option 2)	
TOTAL	7