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Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Survey of Alumni Experience

Welcome to the Kenyon Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (BMB) Alumni survey. We appreciate your willingness to participate.

This 15 minute survey is designed to understand the impact of the Kenyon BMB program and identify its successes and areas for improvement. Your participation is voluntary and your responses are strictly confidential.

A few question in the survey will reference the Biology and Chemistry courses required for the BMB major. You can find the Biology course descriptions at <http://www.kenyon.edu/x10220.xml> and Chemistry course descriptions at <http://www.kenyon.edu/x10398.xml>. You can also view the courses required for both majors at <http://www.kenyon.edu/x10396.xml>.

If you have any questions regarding this survey or the BMB program, please contact Karen Hicks, Associate Professor of Biology, 740-427-5379, hicksk@kenyon.edu. If you have any questions regarding the survey results or your participation in

About you

In what year did you graduate? *

2003 ▼

Are you currently enrolled in or have you had any formal education since graduating from Kenyon College? *

- Yes
- No

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Further education

Have you completed a degree since leaving Kenyon?

- Yes
- No

What other degrees are you currently pursuing, have started, or completed since leaving Kenyon College? (check all that apply)

- B.A./B.S. (other than your Kenyon degree)
- Master's degree such as M.A., M.S., M.B.A., etc.
- Doctoral degree such as Ph.D.
- A professional degree such as M.D., D.O., J.D., D.V.M., etc.

No other degrees earned.

Other:

Please list the name(s) and approximate enrollment dates of the program(s) and school(s) you are attending or have attended:

Experience

Please indicate which of the following best describes your primary activity approximately three months after your Kenyon graduation. (check all that apply)

Academic (teaching)

Academic (research, non-teaching)

Medicine (e.g. physician, physician's assistant, dentist, nurse, veterinarian, etc.)

Health-related (e.g. pharmacist, dietetics, physical therapy, etc.)

Industry (e.g. research and development, quality assurance, pharmaceuticals, environmental, etc.)

Business (e.g. sales, information technology, marketing, etc.)

Graduate or professional school

Other:

Is your current primary activity in the fields of biochemistry or molecular biology or a related field?

Yes

No

Please indicate which of the following best describes your current primary activity. (check all that apply)

Academic (teaching)

Academic (research, non-teaching)

Medicine (e.g. physician, physician's assistant, dentist, nurse, veterinarian, etc.)

Health-related (e.g. pharmacist, dietetics, physical therapy, etc.)

Industry (e.g. research and development, quality assurance, pharmaceuticals, environmental, etc.)

Business (e.g. sales, information technology, marketing, etc.)

Graduate or professional school

Other:

Perceptions

Compared to your present peers, what advantages do or did you experience as a result of your Kenyon BMB

education?

Compared to your present peers, what limitations do or did you experience as a result of your Kenyon BMB education?

Overall, what is the reputation of the Kenyon BMB program amongst your peers?

- Strongly favorable
- Favorable
- Indifferent
- Unfavorable
- Strongly unfavorable
- They don't know anything about Kenyon

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Course Work

As part of the review, we would like to assess the course structure of the major. Below is a partial list of courses currently required for BMB majors. Please focus your responses on the content of the courses (i.e. scientific knowledge, lab techniques, data analysis, etc.).

What was your major? *

- Biochemistry
- Molecular biology

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Biochemistry

Please note to what degree the course content has been useful to you in your career since Kenyon (rank 1-4, Not at all to Very useful, Not applicable). If you'd like to read the course descriptions, please paste these links into your browser for Biology (<http://www.kenyon.edu/x10220.xml>) and Chemistry (<http://www.kenyon.edu/x10398.xml>):

Not at all useful	2	3	Very useful	Not applicable
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BIOL 115/116 Introductory Biology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
BIOL 263 Molecular Biology and Genomics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
BIOL 264 Gene Manipulation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 121/122/124/125 Introductory Chemistry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 123/126 Introductory Lab in Chemistry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 231/232 Organic Chemistry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 233/234 Organic Chemistry Laboratory	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 256 Biochemistry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 371 Biochemistry Advanced Lab	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 335 Chemical Kinetics and Thermodynamics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 341 Instrumental Analysis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior Exercise	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What BMB related course(s) or types of courses do you wish you would have taken or wish were offered? Please be as specific as possible and note whether it should be a requirement or optional for the major.

Molecular Biology

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	Not at all useful	2	3	Very useful	Not applicable
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BIOL 109/110 Introductory Lab in Biology	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
BIOL 263 Molecular Biology and Genomics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

BIOL 264 Gene Manipulation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 121/122/124/125 Introductory Chemistry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 123/126 Introductory Lab in Chemistry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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CHEM 233/234 Organic Chemistry Laboratory	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 256 Biochemistry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CHEM 335 Chemical Kinetics and Thermodynamics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior Exercise	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Courses and Skills

The following is a list of skills that may have been acquired while at Kenyon in the BMB program. Please note to what degree the skill has been useful to you in your career since Kenyon.

	Not at all Useful	2	3	Very Useful	Did not acquire
Time management	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Oral communication of scientific knowledge	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Written communication of scientific knowledge	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Experimental design	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Data analysis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Independent thinking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collaboration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Delegation of responsibilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lab safety practices	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Record keeping	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Critical reading	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Problem solving	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Integration of ideas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What skill(s) do you wish you had learned or acquired while at Kenyon?

Did you do independent research during your time at Kenyon (either at Kenyon or off campus)?

- Yes
- No

Independent research

Where did you participate in independent research?

- At Kenyon
- Off campus
- Both at Kenyon and off campus

For how long and in what capacity did you participate in independent research (e.g. summer science, for credit, etc)?

To what degree has the independent research experience been useful to you in your career since Kenyon?

	Not at all Useful	2	3	Very Useful	Not applicable
	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Study abroad

Did you study abroad while at Kenyon?

- Yes
- No, but I wanted to
- No, but I did not intend to
- Other:

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Study abroad experience

Please give us more details about your study abroad experience like the location, program, and field of study.

Study abroad interest

What barriers kept you from studying abroad?

Closing

What were the most beneficial or most memorable aspects of your experience with the BMB program at Kenyon?

If there is anything you would like to elaborate on regarding questions related to this survey or any aspect of your experience in the BMB program at Kenyon, please do so below.

To ensure that you do not receive further reminders about completing this survey, please enter your email address below. *

