

Cedar Crest College’s Four-Year Graduation (4YG) Guarantee is open to all academically qualified candidates enrolled full-time in a 4-year bachelor’s degree program, with the exception of Nuclear Medicine Technology. It does not apply to dual degree, fifth-year, or graduate programs. Provided students comply with all of the conditions of the program, Cedar Crest College will guarantee graduation within four years. The guarantee extends to one major only. While many students add additional majors and minors and finish within four years, Cedar Crest will not be able to provide four year guarantee in those cases.

Conditions

By signing below, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is enrolled in the 4YG program for the Environmental Conservation (BA) major under the 2023-2024 catalog requirements and agrees to

* assume ultimate responsibility for monitoring academic progress and the completion of all academic requirements;
* enroll at Cedar Crest for four continuous academic years;
* remain in good academic standing;
* complete an average of 30 new credits in each academic year. Courses must be selected in consultation with her academic advisor and 4YG coordinator and must apply to the recommended course sequence on page 2;
* maintain the GPA requirements of the Environmental Conservation (BA) major and Liberal Arts Curriculum;
* meet regularly with her assigned academic advisor and 4YG coordinator following the schedule outlined below;
* resolve all outstanding holds that would prevent registration prior to the start of registration for each semester;
* register for classes each semester on the date appropriate for class standing as set forth by the Registrar;
* be responsive to communication from Cedar Crest College, including advisors and the 4YG coordinator;
* officially declare an Environmental Conservation (BA) major by the completion of 30 credits. If a change of major is requested after 30 credits, the ability to sign a new 4YG contract is not guaranteed.
* complete the following and all other Environmental Conservation (BA) major requirements:
	+ Earn a 2.0 cumulative GPA and 2.0 GPA in the major.
	+ Earn a C- or higher in all courses taken for major requirements.
	+ Earn a C- or higher in all prerequisite courses before proceeding to subsequent courses.
	+ Successfully complete freshman biology courses (BIO 123 and 124) during the first year of enrollment, and BIO 239 during the second year of enrollment.
	+ Begin the CHE 111, 112 sequence no later than the fall of the senior year.
	+ Abide by all other departmental policies and successfully meet all other graduation requirements.

The 4YG does not guarantee that courses will be offered at a particular time or on particular days, nor can it assure graduation in four years if accreditation agencies require immediate curricular changes. This agreement pertains only to the catalog specified; if major requirements change and the student elects to follow the newer requirements, this contract is void.

If a student meets all of the degree/program requirements but cannot graduate in four years because a course or courses are not available, the student will meet with her advisor as soon as the problem is discovered to discuss options for completion. These options could include a course substitution, an independent study, or permission to enroll in the course in a subsequent semester at no tuition cost to the student.

Required Meeting Schedule:

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|  | **Semester 1** | **Semester 2** | **Semester 3** | **Semester 4** |
| Beginning of Semester | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator |
| Prior to registration  | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator |
|  | **Semester 5** | **Semester 6** | **Semester 7** | **Semester 8** |
| Beginning of Semester | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator |
| Prior to registration  | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator | \_\_\_\_ Advisor\_\_\_\_ 4YG Coordinator |

I agree to the stipulations set forth in this agreement.

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 Student Signature Date ID Number Entry Term

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Advisor Signature Date 4YG Coordinator Signature Date

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| **FALL 2023** |  | **SPRING 2024** |
| **Course** | **Cr** | **Title** | *
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| BIO 123 | 4 | Foundations in Biology |  |  | BIO 124 | 4 | Principles of Cell and Molecular Biology |  |
| CHE 111 | 4 | Chemical Principles |  |  | CHE 112 | 4 | Chemical Equilibrium and Analysis |  |
| FYS \_\_\_\_ | 3 | First Year Seminar |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | LAC course |  |
| CCC 101 | 0.5 | College Life |  |  | WRI 100 | 3 | College Writing |  |
| GST 100 | 3 | The Globalizing World |  |  | CCC 102 | 0.5 | Exploring Your Future |  |

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| **FALL 2024** |  | **SPRING 2025** |
| **Course** | **Cr** | **Title** | *
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| BIO 239 | 4 | Animal Ecology, Development, and Evolution |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 |  LAC course |  |
| MAT 110 | 3 | Probability and Statistics |  |  | ECO 222 | 3 | Economic Geography  |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | elective\*\*\* |  |  | CCC 20X | 3 | Sophomore Expedition  |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | LAC course |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3-4 | Field Experience\*\* *or* elective\*\*\* |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3-4 | Field Experience\*\* *or* elective\*\*\* |  |  | BIO 316 | 4 | Conservation Biology and GIS |  |

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| **FALL 2025** |  | **SPRING 2026** |
| **Course** | **Cr** | **Title** | *
 |  | **Course** | **Cr** | **Title** |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3-4 | Field Experience\*\* *or* elective\*\*\* |  |  | BIO 315 | 3 | Case Studies in Conservation Biology |  |
| PSC 213 | 3 | Environmental Justice, Ethics and Policy |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | elective\*\*\* |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | LAC course |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3-4 | Field Experience\*\* *or* elective\*\*\* |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | COM 150 Introduction to Journalism\* *or* COM 212 Intercultural Communication\* |  |  | ANT 101 | 3 | Cultural Anthropology |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | elective\*\*\* |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | elective\*\*\* |  |

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| **FALL 2026** |  | **SPRING 2027** |
| **Course** | **Cr** | **Title** | *
 |  | **Course** | **Cr** | **Title** |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3-4 | Field Experience\*\* *or* elective\*\*\* |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 |  LAC course  |  |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | elective\*\*\* |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 |  LAC course  |  |
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| \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | elective\*\*\* |  |  | \_\_\_\_\_\_ | 3 | elective\*\*\* |  |

\* Choose either COM 150 or 212.

\*\* Complete a minimum of 3 credits from the list of acceptable Field Experience options.

\*\*\* Electives must be included to ensure that the overall total number of credits reaches the 120 credits needed to complete a degree.

**Liberal Arts Curriculum (LAC) and College-Wide Requirements**

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| **Natural Science (SCI)**: 7 cr. total, one must be a lab-based course |  | **Writing (WRI1, WRI2)**: 2 courses, 6 cr. total |
| 1. BIO 123 (lab)
2. BIO 124
 |  | 1. WRI 100
2. COM 150 (if chosen)
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| **Arts (ART)**: 6 cr. total, one must be a 3 cr. course |  | **Humanities (HUM)**: 2 courses, 6 cr. total |
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2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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| **Mathematics & Logic (ML)**: 6 cr. total, one must be a MAT course |  | **Social Science (SS)**: 2 courses, 6 cr. total |
| 1. MAT 110
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
 |  | 1. PSC 213
2. COM 212 (if chosen)
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| **Ethics (ETH)**: 1 course, 3 cr. |  | **Global Studies (GS)**: 1 course, 3 cr. |
| 1. PSC 213
 |  | 1. BIO 316, ANT 101, ECO 222, GST 100
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| **Technology**:  |  | **Information Literacy**:  |
| 1. BIO 239 and 316
 |  | 1. BIO 239 and 315
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| **Oral Presentation**:  |  |
| 1. BIO 124, 239; and COM 150 or 212
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