ASTROBIOLOGY

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Program Code          ABIOL
Campus(es)            University Park
Degrees Conferred     Dual-Title
The Graduate Faculty  View (https://secure.gradsch.psu.edu/gpms/?searchType=fac&prog=ABIOL)

Students electing this degree program through participating programs earn a degree with a dual-title in the Ph.D., i.e., Ph.D. in (graduate program name) and Astrobiology. The following graduate programs offer dual-title degrees in Astrobiology:

• Astronomy and Astrophysics
• Biochemistry, Microbiology, and Molecular Biology
• Geosciences
• Meteorology & Atmospheric Science

Astrobiology is a field devoted to the exploration of life outside of Earth and to the investigation of the origin and early evolution of life on Earth. This dual-title program enables students from several graduate programs to gain the perspectives, techniques, and methodologies of Astrobiology, while maintaining a close association with their primary graduate program.