Description of Field:
Biomedical research is the broad area of science that involves the investigation of the biological process and causes of disease through careful experimentation, observation, laboratory work, analysis, and testing. It requires input from many individuals from the life and physical sciences, with different backgrounds, potentially including engineers, medical doctors, veterinarians, computer scientists, technicians, researchers, and others from life science fields. It takes place in academia and industry, in different forms.

General Skills:
Analytical skills, Problem solving, Statistics, Data Analysis, Project management, Organization, Communication, Teamwork

Insider Advice:
It is a mistake to market yourself only on the basis of a collection of specific techniques that you are trained in. What is most valued is someone who demonstrates good scientific problem solving abilities through application of the scientific process. Be able to describe examples of how you have done this.

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Examples of Careers:
ONET: Biomedical Engineer, Bioinformatics Scientists
What Can I Do With This Major: Chemistry, Healthcare Sciences, Statistics, Public Health, Engineering

Sample UF Majors:
Biomedical Engineering, Biology, Applied Physiology & Kinesiology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Biological Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Materials Science & Engineering

Career Planning:
Our Career Planning staff can help you explore interesting major/career options, prepare for and start an internship/job search. Log in to view the ways we can help!

UF Organizations:
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Professional Organizations:
International Society for Polymeric Materials and Polymeric Biomaterials, Advanced Medical Technology Association, American Association for Clinical Chemistry, Medical Device Manufacturer’s Association

Sample Local Opportunities:
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Sample Job Title:
Biomedical Electronics Technician, Biomedical Engineer, Biomedical Engineering Director, Biomedical Engineering Technician, Biomedical Equipment Technician (BMET), Biomedical Manager, Biomedical Technician, Clinical Engineer, Professor, Research Engineer

Sample Employers Recruiting at UF:
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