Access to options and choices is one of the greatest gifts higher education can offer. **USFSM College of Arts & Sciences (CAS)** does that by stimulating critical thinking, creating valuable pathways for students to increase their potential and giving them access to the broadest range of possibilities.

The College opens up avenues for students to pursue a multitude of opportunities in an ever evolving environment, through a core curriculum that stresses the values and skills associated with critical thinking, communication, ethics, leadership, diversity and community engagement. These are the qualities and proficiencies demanded by employers and that are necessary for success.

Students prepared in STEM programs – curricula based upon science, technology, engineering and math – are in high demand, and **USFSM** is answering the call to deliver thoroughly prepared undergraduate scientists. An undergraduate degree in biology opens a wide spectrum of future careers for students, giving them a solid foundation for the pursuit of a leadership role in careers in medicine, health care, environmental science, education, and research and development. The degree also is a spring board for those seeking entry to first-rate graduate programs.

**USFSM** is collaborating with the prestigious Mote Marine Laboratories to offer a B.S. in Biology. This newly added degree, in a unique setting with one of the country’s most esteemed marine research laboratories, is one such program. The curriculum incorporates the core concepts and competencies established by the National Science Foundation and the American Association for the Advancement of Science for all biology majors.
USFSM is preparing students for careers in fields that address critical needs in our nation’s industries. Support of our biology program encourages future generations of scientists to perform critical work in medicine, health care, environmental science and research and development, and fosters discoveries essential to understanding our world. These students hold the key to life-enhancing and life-sustaining innovations that society demands.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

• Creation of Biomedical Concentration $500,000 - $1,000,000
  – Biomedical sciences prepare students for advanced study in medical, dental, or graduate schools

• Establish Fine Arts Curriculum $250,000 - $500,000
  – Enable students to work within a range of different disciplines and a diversity of ideas which spark critical discussions and the theory of art

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  – These funds generate predictable, growing streams of income in perpetuity

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