**Career Opportunities:**
- Clinical/Medical/Forensic Lab Specialist
- Ag/Biotech Research Technician
- Genetic Counselor
- Geneticist/Plant or Animal Breeder
- Biologist/Ecologist/Field Scientist
- Biotech/Medical Marketing Personnel
- Preparation for Graduate School & Medical School

Starting salaries for graduates are up to $45,000 per year

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Preparation
Students are required to have a high school diploma.

Tuition
In-state tuition for full-time students is approximately $6,000 per year. Out of state tuition is ~$20,000.

Many Scholarship opportunities are available including the State Lottery Scholarships for NM residents.

Tuition waivers may be available for:
- El Paso, TX residents
- Residents of AZ, AK, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, ND, OR, SD, UT, WA and WY

NMSU & Las Cruces
New Mexico State University is New Mexico’s Land Grant Institution. NMSU is also a NASA Space Grant Institution, U.S. Department of Education-designated Minority Institution, and the only Land-Grant institution also classified as Hispanic-serving by the federal government. Since 1888, NMSU has served as a comprehensive institution dedicated to teaching, research, and service at the graduate and undergraduate level. NMSU is located in Las Cruces, a community with a population of about 80,000 in a region that is rich in recreational opportunities and cultural diversity.

Description
Genetics helps us to understand how genes influence biochemical processes and how important traits (including disease) are transmitted in humans, animals, plants and microbes. This knowledge is constantly used to advance human health and wellbeing, and to meet the food and fiber needs of the world. A degree in Genetics will prepare you for careers in academic research and technical support, teaching, agriculture, seed and biotechnology industry, health and forensic sciences, and sales or marketing. It also provides an excellent background for students wishing to enter a graduate program, medical school, veterinary school or law school. The Bachelor of Science in Genetics degree program is jointly administered by the Department of Plant and Environmental Sciences and the Department of Biology at NMSU.