Mission Statement

Department of Biology

<u>Mission Statement</u>: The mission of the Biology Department at PLNU coincides with the University mission to Teach, Shape, and Send.

To Teach: Our commitment is to provide students the opportunity to build a broad foundation in the major disciplines of biology, in the process of science skills, and in the critical thinking/quantitative skills that are required to apply their education to real world settings.

To Shape: In addition to the formal academic interactions, each student will have opportunities to enter into mentoring relationships with our faculty through advising, lab assisting, research experiences, and Departmental social functions. In these contexts, students can expect to dialogue about issues relating to their own personal and professional goals, the interface between biology and our society, and the relationship between faith and science.

To Send: The graduates of the Biology Department will be able to apply both their faith and education in biology related professions, such as medicine, allied health fields, education, or industry. They will feel confident that they have been well prepared to positively contribute in these fields and society in general.