2024-2025

Major in Chemistry: B.S.

Major Course Requirements

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A minimum of 93.5 hours (47.5 upper-division hours)

> Required Core Courses (60.5 hours):

CHEM 111+12+13+L	General Chemistry I, II, III+L	5+5+5
CHEM 225	Chemical Modeling	2
CHEM 324+L	Analytical Chemistry I+Lab	3+1
CHEM 325	Analytical Chemistry II	3
CHEM 371+72+73+L	Organic Chemistry I, II, III+L	4+4+4
CHEM 397	Chemistry Seminar	0.5
CHEM 414	Inorganic Chemistry	3
CHEM 426L	Integrated Chemistry Lab (x4)	1+1+1+1
CHEM 451+452	Thermodynamics + Kinetics	4+2
CHEM 453	Quantum Mechanics	3
CHEM 481	Biochemistry I	4
CHEM 490	Senior Capstone	1
CHEM 499	Independent Research (x2)	1+1
SCIE 290	Sophomore Seminar	1

➤ Required Core Electives (5 hours):

Additional upper-division CHEM courses

> Required Cognate Courses (28 hours):

MATH 131+132	Calculus I,II	4+4
PHYS 111+12+13	General Physics I,II,III	4+4+4
At least two of the follo	owing courses:	8
INFS 115	Introduction to Programming (4)	
MATH 265	Elementary Linear Algebra (4)	
MATH 269	Elementary Differential Equation	ıs (4)

Student Learning Outcomes

Students can:

- Apply quantitative or qualitative theories of molecular behavior to chemical problems.
- Synthesize, purify, characterize, and analyze substances.
- Access and utilize chemical data and ommunicate it orally and in writing.

Occupational Information

What can I do with this major?

Graduates with a bachelor's degree in chemistry have the necessary skills for entry-level employment as chemists in quality control, environmental, forensic, and research laboratories in private, industrial and government settings. They may also apply their degree in science-related jobs in sales, marketing, and middle management. Opportunities in the educational sector include employment in informal education arenas such as museums and content preparation for secondary teaching. The bachelor's degree in chemistry prepares the graduate for entry into professional and graduate schools.

Additional Education Required?

Some chemists with a bachelor's degree will seek to continue their education in graduate school to pursue advanced degrees leading to careers in chemical research, industry, forensic chemistry, patent law, scientific writing and secondary and college teaching.

Some graduates will use their bachelor's degree as a stepping stone to pursue professional education in preparation for careers in health professions such as dentistry, medicine, optometry, pharmacy, and veterinary medicine.

Job Outlook

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Employment of chemists and materials scientists is expected to grow by 6% in the decade 2022-2032. This is a little slower than the average for all occupations. Greater than average growth will be likely for chemists working in environmental and biochemical areas.

As of 2022, the median annual wage for chemists was \$80,670 and \$104,380 for material scientists.

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General Education Requirements

To view general education requirements for this major, please refer to page A-01, Summary of General Education Requirements: B.S. Degree.

How to Construct Your Own Program

- 1. Consult with your academic advisor.
- 2. Consider your aptitudes, interests, and available courses.
- 3. Schedule major courses and cognates first.
- 4. Fill the rest of your schedule with G.E. requirements.
- 5. For the freshman year include English, Religion, and PE courses. Also include Basic Algebra I+II unless waived by previous work.

What the Degree Includes

A total of 192 quarter hours including:

- 1. A minimum of 60 upper division hours.
- 2. General Education requirements.
- 3. Major requirements.
- 4. Minimum 2.0 GPA, overall and major.

For More Information

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Sample Four-Year Program

This sample curriculum is designed to show you how a program may be constructed and to help you select a proper sequence of courses in the major. It is not likely that these courses can always be taken in the order given. Your advisor will help you design a personalized program of studies.

First Year	F	W	S
General Chemistry I,II,III	5	5	5
Calculus I,II	4	4	-
College English I,II	4	4	-
Religion Courses	-	3	3
General Education/Electives	3	-	9
	16	16	17
Second Year	F	w	S
Organic Chemistry I,II,III	4	4	4
Chemical Modeling	-	-	2
Analytical Chemistry I+Lab	3	-	-
General Physics I,II,III	4	4	4
Elementary Linear Algebra	4	-	-
General Education/Electives	1	8	6
Sophomore Seminar	-	1	-
	16	17	16
Third and Fourth Years	F	w	S
Third and Fourth Years Thermodynamics	F 4	w	S
Thermodynamics Biochemistry	-	w - -	S -
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Thermodynamics Biochemistry Physical Chemistry Lab Kinetics Integrated Chemistry Lab	4	- - - 1	-
Thermodynamics Biochemistry Physical Chemistry Lab Kinetics Integrated Chemistry Lab Analytical Chemistry II+Lab	4	- - -	- - 2 1
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