

MAJOR IN CHEMISTRY, MATERIALS CONCENTRATION

Requirements Effective Spring 2024

Chemistry majors must achieve a minimum grade of C (2.000) in all the listed courses required for the Major in Chemistry.

Freshman

		AUCC	Credits
CHEM 120 ¹	Foundations of Modern Chemistry (GT-SC2)	3A	4
CHEM 121 ¹	Foundations of Modern Chemistry Laboratory (GT-SC1)	3A	1
CHEM 192	Introductory Seminar in Chemistry		2
CHEM 241 ²	Foundations of Organic Chemistry		4
CHEM 242 ²	Foundations of Organic Chemistry Laboratory		1
CHEM 263	Foundations of Inorganic Chemistry		4
CHEM 264	Foundations of Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory		1
CO 150	College Composition (GT-CO2)	1A	3
MATH 155 or 160	Calculus for Biological Scientists I (GT-MA1) Calculus for Physical Scientists I (GT-MA1)	1B	4
1C (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#aucc)		1C	3
Arts and Humanities (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-and-humanities)		3B	3

Total Credits **30**

Sophomore

CHEM 231	Foundations of Analytical Chemistry		3
CHEM 232	Foundations of Analytical Chemistry Lab		2
CHEM 321 or BC 351	Foundations of Chemical Biology Principles of Biochemistry		4
CHEM 322	Foundations of Chemical Biology Laboratory		1
PH 121 or 141	General Physics I (GT-SC1) Physics for Scientists and Engineers I (GT-SC1)	3A	5
PH 122 or 142	General Physics II (GT-SC1) Physics for Scientists and Engineers II (GT-SC1)	3A	5

Select one group from the following: 8

Group A:

MATH 271	Applied Mathematics for Chemists I		
MATH 272	Applied Mathematics for Chemists II		

Group B:

MATH 161	Calculus for Physical Scientists II (GT-MA1)	1B	
MATH 261	Calculus for Physical Scientists III		

Total Credits **28**

Junior

CHEM 311	Introduction to Nanoscale Science		3
CHEM 315	Foundations of Polymer Chemistry		3
CHEM 371	Fundamentals of Physical Chemistry		4
CHEM 372	Fundamentals of Physical Chemistry Lab	4A	1

Advanced Writing (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#advanced-writing) ³	2	3
Arts and Humanities (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-and-humanities)	3B	3
Historical Perspectives (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#historical-perspectives)	3D	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#social-behavioral-sciences)	3C	3
Advanced Elective (see list below)		4
Elective		3
Total Credits		30
Senior		
CHEM 461	Inorganic Chemistry	3
CHEM 462	Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory	4B 2
Select three credits from the following courses:		3
CHEM 476	Advanced Physical Chemistry	
CHEM 477	Advanced Physical Chemistry Laboratory	4B
CHEM 511	Solid State Chemistry	
CHEM 515	Polymer Chemistry	
ERHS 410	Environmental Health-Air and Waste Management	
Select one course from the following:		2
CHEM 493	Senior Seminar	4C
CHEM 499 or HONR 499 ⁴	Senior Thesis Senior Honors Thesis	4C
Advanced Electives		9
Electives ⁵		13
Total Credits		32
Program Total Credits:		120

Advanced Electives List

Code	Title	Credits
ATS 350	Introduction to Weather and Climate	2
ATS 351	Introduction to Weather and Climate Lab	1
ERHS 320	Environmental Health–Water Quality	3
ERHS 332	Principles of Epidemiology	3
ERHS 400	Radiation Safety	3
ERHS 410	Environmental Health-Air and Waste Management	3
ERHS 430	Human Disease and the Environment	3
ERHS 446	Environmental Toxicology	3
ERHS 448	Environmental Contaminants	3
ERHS 450	Introduction to Radiation Biology	3

Upper-Division regular courses (300-379; 400-479) from the following subject codes:

AA
AB
ANEQ
BC
BIOM
BMS
BSPM
BZ

CBE
CHEM
CS
CT
ESS
FTEC
FW
HES
HORT
LIFE
MATH
MIP
NR
NSCI
PH
PSY
SOCR
STAT

¹ Students who complete General Chemistry in Freshman year (CHEM 111 or CHEM 107, CHEM 112 or CHEM 108, CHEM 113, CHEM 114) do not have to take CHEM 120 and CHEM 121.

² Students may complete the organic chemistry requirement by taking CHEM 341, CHEM 343, and CHEM 344. Students who

take CHEM 245/CHEM 246 may complete the organic chemistry requirement by taking CHEM 343/CHEM 344. For both sets of these students, CHEM 343/CHEM 344 together count as an in-depth chemistry course.

³ CHEM 301 is recommended.

⁴ CHEM 499 by department approval. Students fulfilling the AUCC 4C requirement with CHEM 499 must write a thesis and present it to the department.

⁵ Select enough elective credits to bring the program total to a minimum of 120 credits, of which at least 42 must be upper-division (300- to 400-level).