CHEMISTRY, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

College of Letters & Science

The Major Programs

Chemistry studies the composition of matter, its structure, and the means by which it is converted from one form to another.

The Program

We offer several degree programs leading to the Bachelor of Arts (A.B.) and the Bachelor of Science (B.S.). To meet and discuss these programs with our staff advisors, see Academic Advising (https://chemistry.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate/academic-advising/).

The general B.S. degree in Chemistry is the one chemistry program offered by our department that is certified by the American Chemical Society (http://www.acs.org/content/acs/en.html) (ACS). Students in this program pursue a strong foundation in math and physics, in addition to chemistry, taking the higher-level sequences of all course options. This degree provides a strong foundation in experimental processes, instrumentation, and quantitative analysis. Students will be well-prepared to apply their chemistry knowledge to a wide array of applications, including environmental, pharmaceutical, materials, and industrial chemistry.

Career Alternatives

Graduates will be able to successfully pursue their career objectives in advanced education in professional and/or graduate schools, a scientific career in government or industry, a teaching career in the school systems or other related career tracks.

Major Advisor

To contact a major advisor in the Department of Chemistry, see Academic Advising (https://chemistry.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate/academic-advising/).

Honors & Honors Program

The student must take courses CHE 194HA, CHE 194HB, and CHE 194HC, and complete a capstone research project (typically a written honors thesis). For more information, see Undergraduate Research (https://chemistry.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate/undergraduate-research/).

Graduate Study

The Department of Chemistry offers programs of study and research leading to M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Chemistry. Detailed information regarding graduate study may be obtained by contacting the Graduate Advisor, Department of Chemistry. See also Graduate Studies (http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/).

Chemistry—American Chemical Society Accredited Program

Code	Title	Units
Preparatory S	Subject Matter	
Chemistry		15

CHE 004A & CHE 004B & CHE 004C	General Chemistry for the Physical Sciences & Engineering and General Chemistry for the Physical Sciences & Engineering and General Chemistry for the Physical Sciences & Engineering			
Physics	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	15		
PHY 009A	Classical Physics	10		
& PHY 009B & PHY 009C	and Classical Physics and Classical Physics			
PHY 009D	Modern Physics (may be taken, but not required.)			
Mathematics				
MAT 021A & MAT 021B	Calculus and Calculus	16		
& MAT 021C & MAT 021D	and Calculus and Vector Analysis			
Choose One:	,	4		
MAT 022A	Linear Algebra	•		
& 022AL	and Linear Algebra Computer Laboratory			
MAT/BIS 027A	Linear Algebra with Applications to Biology			
Choose One:		3-4		
MAT 022B	Differential Equations			
MAT/BIS 027B	Differential Equations with Applications to Biology			
Preparatory Subject	Matter Subtotal	53-54		
Depth Subject Matte	r			
Chemistry				
CHE 105	Analytical & Physical Chemical Methods	4		
CHE 108	Molecular Biochemistry	3		
CHE 110A	Physical Chemistry: Introduction to Quantum Mechanics	4		
CHE 110B	Physical Chemistry: Properties of Atoms & Molecules	4		
CHE 110C	Physical Chemistry: Thermodynamics, Equilibria & Kinetics	4		
CHE 115	Instrumental Analysis	4		
CHE 124A	Inorganic Chemistry: Fundamentals	3		
CHE 124B	Inorganic Chemistry: Main Group Elements	3		
or CHE 124C	Inorganic Chemistry: D & F Block Elements	Ü		
CHE 124L	Laboratory Methods in Inorganic Chemistry	2		
CHE 125	Advanced Methods in Physical Chemistry	4		
CHE 128A				
	Organic Chemistry	3		
CHE 128B	Organic Chemistry	3		
CHE 128C	Organic Chemistry	3		
CHE 129A	Organic Chemistry Laboratory	2		
CHE 129B	Organic Chemistry Laboratory	2		
CHE 129C	Organic Chemistry Laboratory	2		
At least 4 additional upper division units in Chemistry (CHE) 1				
Depth Subject Matte	r Subtotal	54		
Recommended				
CHE 194HA	Undergraduate Honors Research			
CHE 194HB	Undergraduate Honors Research			
CHE 194HC	Undergraduate Honors Research			

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Total Unite		107-108
	Undergraduates	
CHE 199	Special Study for Advanced	

 $^{^{1}\,}$ Except Chemistry CHE 107A & CHE 107B.