CHEMISTRY: ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY, BS

For the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Environmental Chemistry Concentration

department website: https://chemistry.illinois.edu
department faculty: Chemistry Faculty (https://chemistry.illinois.edu/directory/faculty-by-type/)
advising: SCS Academic Advising (http://advising.scs.illinois.edu/)
overview of college admissions & requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences (http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/las/academic-units/)
college website: https://las.illinois.edu/

This concentration is designed to provide a background in environmental chemistry that is sufficient in breadth and depth to prepare a person to work as an environmental chemist in the public or private sectors and/or to pursue an advanced degree in the field. Students who complete this concentration will be certified in environmental chemistry by the American Chemical Society (ACS). The Environmental Chemistry Concentration is based on the Specialized Curriculum in Chemistry. Students will take a 3-hour, 300-level course in environmental chemistry and three 3-hour, upper level technical courses in environmental areas. These courses can be used as part of the required 14 hours of technical electives for the Specialized Curriculum in Chemistry.

Undergraduate Degree Programs in Chemistry

For the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts and Sciences

- Major in Computer Science & Chemistry, BSLAS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/eng_las/computer-science-chemistry-bslas/)
- Major in Chemistry (Sciences and Letters) (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/chemistry-bslas/#degreerequirementstext)
- Major in Chemistry (Sciences and Letters), Chemistry Teaching Concentration (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/chemistry-bslas/chemistry-teaching/)

For the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Chemistry

- Major in Chemistry (Specialized Curriculum) (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/chemistry-bs/ #degreerequirementstext)
- Major in Chemistry (Specialized Curriculum), Environmental Chemistry Concentration (p. 1)

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General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

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<td>CHEM 445</td>
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Advanced Chemistry 11

Chemistry/Biochemistry courses numbered 300 or higher, which must include one from the following:

- CHEM 317 Inorganic Chemistry Lab
- CHEM 437 Organic Chemistry Lab
- CHEM 447 Physical Principles Lab II 4

Additional laboratory work:

- BIOC 455 Technqs Biochem & Biotech
- CHEM 317 Inorganic Chemistry Lab
- CHEM 437 Organic Chemistry Lab
- CHEM 447 Physical Principles Lab II

Additional chemistry/biochemistry courses to complete the 11-hour requirement in advanced chemistry

Mathematics: 11-12

- MATH 220 Calculus
  - or MATH 221 Calculus I
- MATH 231 Calculus II
- MATH 241 Calculus III

Physics: 10

- PHYS 211 University Physics: Mechanics
- PHYS 212 University Physics: Elec & Mag
- PHYS 214 Univ Physics: Quantum Physics

Technical Electives, including the following 14

- Required Mathematics:
  - MATH 225 Introductory Matrix Theory 6
  - or MATH 411 Applied Linear Algebra
- MATH 285 or equivalent

Strongly Recommended:

- CHEM 499 Senior Thesis (maximum of 10 hours)

Recommended: basic computer science

Other technical courses chosen from: 14
**Chemistry: Environmental Chemistry, BS**

- Chemistry (300 or higher), biochemistry, chemical engineering (200 or higher)
- Courses in life sciences (all courses at 200 or higher)
- Mathematics or computer science above the basic level
- Other courses in the physical and biological sciences and engineering including CHEM 199

### Nontechnical Requirements

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### Advanced Composition

- Humanities/Arts to satisfy the campus general education requirements
- Social/Behavioral sciences to satisfy the campus general education requirements
- Cultural Studies to satisfy the campus general education requirement

### Required Technical Elective Courses for the Environmental Chemistry Concentration

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Other 400-level courses dealing with economic, engineering, biological aspects of environmental chemistry upon consultation with the faculty advisor.

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1. Hours given are those typical to meet requirement.
2. On and off-campus transfer students in the BS curriculum may substitute 1 additional hour of 200 level or higher Chemistry (including CHEM 297, CHEM 397, CHEM 496, CHEM 497, or CHEM 499) for CHEM 150. This may not include CHEM 222 or CHEM 223 for students who took the CHEM 102, CHEM 103, CHEM 104 and CHEM 105 sequence instead of CHEM 202, CHEM 203, CHEM 204, and CHEM 205.
3. If necessary, CHEM 102 and CHEM 103, CHEM 104 and CHEM 105, CHEM 222, and CHEM 223 may be substituted for CHEM 202, CHEM 203, CHEM 204, and CHEM 205. Warning: CHEM 222 and CHEM 223 are offered only in the fall semester.
4. The course chosen from CHEM 317, CHEM 437, or CHEM 447 cannot be used to satisfy the additional chemistry lab requirement.
5. Students who present less than 6 semester hours credit in a combination of CHEM 397, CHEM 497 and/or CHEM 499 for graduation must complete two additional courses chosen from the list. Students who will present at least 6 semester hours credit in a combination of CHEM 397, CHEM 497 and/or CHEM 499 for graduation are required to complete only one laboratory course from the list.
6. Students contemplating transfer to the chemical engineering curriculum should choose MATH 415.
7. Three hours maximum credit in CHEM 199. Additional courses in the sciences and engineering can be taken upon the approval of the chair of the chemistry department advising committee. Most approved courses must have a strong technical prerequisite, such as one year of college-level math or science.
8. The requirements for the Campus General Education categories Natural Sciences and Technology and Quantitative Reasoning I and II are fulfilled through required coursework in the curriculum.
9. The courses taken to satisfy Advanced Composition requirement may also be used to partially satisfy one of the core chemistry, advanced chemistry, mathematics, physics, or technical electives requirements (if appropriate), or may be used to partially satisfy the free electives requirements.
10. The courses taken to satisfy Western and/or Non-Western Civilization requirements may also be used to satisfy nontechnical and/or free elective categories.

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