CHEMISTRY, BSLAS

for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts and Sciences Major in Chemistry

Undergraduate Degree Programs in Chemistry
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- Major in Computer Science & Chemistry, BSLAS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/eng_las/computer-science-chemistry-bslas/)
- Major in Chemistry (Sciences and Letters) (p. 1)
- Major in Chemistry (Sciences and Letters), Chemistry Teaching Concentration (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/chemistry-bslas/chemistry-teaching/)

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

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The Department of Chemistry will supply, upon request, a brochure showing recommended semester-by-semester programs for the completion of the curriculum.

**Departmental distinction:** Students qualify for graduation with distinction by exhibiting superior performance in both course work and in senior thesis research. To be eligible, a student must have a UIUC coursework major grade point average of 3.25, must take CHEM 499 (normally for two semesters) and submit a senior thesis for evaluation, and must have their undergraduate research advisor submit to the department Head a letter of support attesting to the effort invested by the student. The minimum major GPAs for Distinction, High Distinction, and Highest Distinction are 3.25, 3.5, and 3.75 respectively. Final decisions on awarding Distinction honors will be made by the Head or designee.

**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 required major and supporting course work: Minimum required major and supporting course work normally equates to 48-51 hours including at least 30 hours in Chemistry or Biochemistry courses. Twelve hours of 300- and 400-level in in Chemistry and/or Biochemistry must be taken on this campus. Transfer credit in chemistry must be approved by an adviser in chemistry in order to be included in the 30 hours.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

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<td>CHEM 150</td>
<td>First Semester Success in Chemistry</td>
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<td>CHEM 440</td>
<td>Physical Chemistry Principles</td>
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<td>Two other 300- or 400-level courses, at least one of which must be outside physical chemistry.</td>
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<td>MATH 220</td>
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1 Excluding CHEM 101, CHEM 108, and CHEM 199.
2 No more than 10 hours of the following courses may count toward the 22-26 hours in Chemistry: CHEM 197, CHEM 199, CHEM 297, CHEM 397, CHEM 496, CHEM 497, and CHEM 499.

Information listed in this catalog is current as of 11/2022
On- and off-campus transfer students in the BSLAS curriculum may substitute CHEM 152 for CHEM 150. Alternatively, transfer students may elect to take an additional 1 hour of 200 level or higher Chemistry, including CHEM 297, CHEM 397, CHEM 496, CHEM 497, or CHEM 499 as long as no more than 10 total hours of the total 22-26 required Chemistry hours come from CHEM 297, CHEM 397, CHEM 496, CHEM 497, CHEM 499.

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Students graduating with the BSLAS in Chemistry (Sciences & Letters) will have:

1. A thorough knowledge of the basic principles of chemistry, including atomic and molecular structure, chemical dynamics and the chemical and physical properties of substances.
2. An exposure to the subfields of chemistry, such as analytical, organic, physical, materials, inorganic, as well as chemical biology.
3. The ability to read, evaluate, interpret, and present (via oral and written communication) numerical, chemical and general scientific data, information and literature.
4. The ability to carry out experiments, use appropriate experimental apparatus effectively, and demonstrate proper laboratory safety skills.

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department website: https://chemistry.illinois.edu

department faculty: Chemistry Faculty

advising: SCS Academic Advising

overview of college admissions & requirements: Liberal Arts & Sciences

college website: https://las.illinois.edu/