Chemistry BA

Overview

The Department of Chemistry is one of the oldest departments in the university and has a long record of preparing students for careers in science. Since a significant portion of America's chemical industry is centered in the Philadelphia region, there is a wide range of career opportunities locally available. Although most of our students have gone on to medicine, dentistry or the chemical industry, recent graduates have also gone on to careers in law, forensics and even art restoration.

The **Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry** is designed for students who are planning for a non-research career in a field related to chemistry. Students learn a wide array of topics in chemistry, mathematics and physics. Students learn how to write scientific reports, analyze data and place these results in a broader scientific context.

Campus Location: Main

Program Code: ST-CHEM-BA

Distinction in Major

To graduate with distinction in this major, a student must have a minimum 3.33 GPA in all the Chemistry courses required for the major.

Accelerated Programs

Accelerated programs provide a pathway for students to pursue both an undergraduate degree and an advanced degree in a shorter amount of time. Below is a list of available accelerated programs for students in the BA in Chemistry.

- BA in Chemistry / MEd in Middle Grades Education with a Concentration in Science
- BA in Chemistry / MEd in Middle Grades Education with a Concentration in Science and Language Arts
- BA or BS in Chemistry / PSM in Forensic Chemistry
- Dental 3+4 Program
- Pharmacy 3+4 Program
- Podiatry 3+4 Program

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Learn more about the Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry.

These requirements are for students who matriculated in academic year 2023-2024. Students who matriculated prior to fall 2023 should refer to the Archives to view the requirements for their Bulletin year.

Bachelor of Arts Requirements

Summary of Requirements for the Degree

- 1. University Requirements (123 total s.h.)
 - · Students must complete all University requirements including those listed below.
 - All undergraduate students must complete at least two writing-intensive courses for a total of at least six credits at Temple as part of their major. The specific writing-intensive course options for this major are:

Code	Title	Credit	
		Hours	
CHEM 3398	Physical Chemistry Laboratory II	2	
CHEM 4196	Techniques of Chemical Measurement II	5	

• Students must complete the General Education (GenEd) requirements.

- See the General Education section of the Undergraduate Bulletin for the GenEd curriculum.
- Students who complete CST majors receive a waiver for 2 Science & Technology (GS) and 1 Quantitative Literacy (GQ) GenEd courses.
- Students must satisfy general Temple University residency requirements.

2. College Requirements

 A minimum of 90 total credits within the College of Science & Technology (CST), the College of Liberal Arts (CLA), and/or the College of Engineering (ENG).

- A minimum of 45 of these credits must be upper-level (courses numbered 2000 and above).
- A minimum of 6 of these credits must be upper-level (courses numbered 2000 and above) CLA credits.
- Successful completion or waiver from the second level of a foreign language.
- Complete a one-credit first-year or transfer seminar.
 - SCTC 1001 CST First Year Seminar for every entering first-year CST student.
 - SCTC 2001 CST Transfer Seminar for every entering transfer CST student.
- 3. Major Requirements for Bachelor of Arts (53 s.h.)

At least 7 courses required for the major must be completed at Temple. At least 5 Chemistry courses must be completed at Temple.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Chemistry		
Select one of the following:		4
CHEM 1031 & CHEM 1033	General Chemistry I and General Chemistry Laboratory I	
CHEM 1951 & CHEM 1953	Honors General Chemical Science I and Honors Chemical Science Laboratory I (F)	
Select one of the following:		4
CHEM 1032 & CHEM 1034	General Chemistry II and General Chemistry Laboratory II	

CHEM 1952 & CHEM 1954	Honors General Chemical Science II and Honors Chemical Science Laboratory II (S)	
Select one of the following:		4
CHEM 2201 & CHEM 2203	Organic Chemistry I and Organic Chemistry Laboratory I	
CHEM 2211 & CHEM 2213	Organic Chemistry for Majors I and Organic Majors Laboratory I (F)	
CHEM 2921 & CHEM 2923	Organic Chemistry for Honors I and Organic Honors Laboratory I (F)	
Select one of the following:		4
CHEM 2202 & CHEM 2204	Organic Chemistry II and Organic Chemistry Laboratory II	
CHEM 2212 & CHEM 2214	Organic Chemistry for Majors II and Organic Majors Laboratory II (S)	
CHEM 2922 & CHEM 2924	Organic Chemistry for Honors II and Organic Honors Laboratory II (S)	
CHEM 3103 & CHEM 3105	Techniques of Chemical Measurement I and Introduction to Chemical Research Techniques	4
CHEM 3301	Physical Chemistry Lecture I	3
CHEM 3302	Physical Chemistry Lecture II	3
CHEM 3398	Physical Chemistry Laboratory II	2
CHEM 4196	Techniques of Chemical Measurement II	5
Mathematics		
MATH 1041	Calculus I	4
or MATH 1941	Honors Calculus I	
MATH 1042	Calculus II	4
or MATH 1942	Honors Calculus II	
MATH 2043	Calculus III	4
or MATH 2943	Honors Calculus III	
Physics		
Select one of the following:		4
PHYS 1061	Elementary Classical Physics I	
PHYS 1961	Honors Elementary Classical Physics I (F)	
PHYS 2021	General Physics I	
PHYS 2921	Honors General Physics I (F)	
Select one of the following:		4
PHYS 1062	Elementary Classical Physics II	
PHYS 1962	Honors Elementary Classical Physics II (S)	
PHYS 2022	General Physics II	
PHYS 2922	Honors General Physics II (S)	
Total Credit Hours		53
Code	Title	Credit Hours
(F) - Fall only course		

(S) - Spring only course

Suggested Academic Plan

All prospective majors should schedule an appointment with one of the departmental advisors (names of current faculty advisors are available in the Overview section) to plan a program of study. The recommended order of courses for the major is listed below; a different order is acceptable as long as the student adheres to prerequisite requirements.

& CHEM 2214

and Organic Majors Laboratory II (S)

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Suggested Plan for New Students Starting in the 2023-2024 Academic Year

Year 1 **Credit Hours** Fall Select one of the following: 4 General Chemistry I **CHEM 1031** & CHEM 1033 and General Chemistry Laboratory I **CHEM 1951** Honors General Chemical Science I & CHEM 1953 and Honors Chemical Science Laboratory I (F) MATH 1041 Calculus I 4 or Honors Calculus I or MATH 1941 **SCTC 1001** CST First Year Seminar 1 ENG 0802 Analytical Reading and Writing 4 or ENG 0812 or Analytical Reading and Writing: ESL or ENG 0902 or Honors Writing About Literature Elective 2 **Credit Hours** 15 Spring Select one of the following: 4 **CHEM 1032** General Chemistry II & CHEM 1034 and General Chemistry Laboratory II Honors General Chemical Science II CHEM 1952 & CHEM 1954 and Honors Chemical Science Laboratory II (S) MATH 1042 Calculus II 4 or MATH 1942 or Honors Calculus II IH 0851 Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life 3 or IH 0951 or Honors Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life Elective 4 **Credit Hours** 15 Year 2 Fall Select one of the following: Δ CHEM 2201 Organic Chemistry I & CHEM 2203 and Organic Chemistry Laboratory I CHEM 2211 Organic Chemistry for Majors I & CHEM 2213 and Organic Majors Laboratory I (F) CHEM 2921 Organic Chemistry for Honors I & CHEM 2923 and Organic Honors Laboratory I (F) Select one of the following: **PHYS 1061** Elementary Classical Physics I PHYS 1961 Honors Elementary Classical Physics I (F) PHYS 2021 General Physics I PHYS 2921 Honors General Physics I (F) **MATH 2043** Calculus III 4 or MATH 2943 or Honors Calculus III IH 0852 Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good 3 or IH 0952 or Honors Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good **Credit Hours** 15 Spring Select one of the following: 4 CHEM 2202 Organic Chemistry II & CHEM 2204 and Organic Chemistry Laboratory II CHEM 2212 Organic Chemistry for Majors II

CHEM 2922 & CHEM 2924	Organic Chemistry for Honors II and Organic Honors Laboratory II (S)	
Select one of the following:		4
PHYS 1062	Elementary Classical Physics II	
PHYS 1962	Honors Elementary Classical Physics II (S)	
PHYS 2022	General Physics II	
PHYS 2922	Honors General Physics II (S)	
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Electives		5
	Credit Hours	16
Year 3		
Fall		
CHEM 3302	Physical Chemistry Lecture II	3
Foreign Language 1001 - F	irst Level	4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Electives		5
	Credit Hours	15
Spring		
CHEM 3103	Techniques of Chemical Measurement I ¹	3
CHEM 3105	Introduction to Chemical Research Techniques ¹	1
CHEM 3301	Physical Chemistry Lecture I	3
Foreign Language 1002 - S	Second Level	4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Electives		2
	Credit Hours	16
Year 4		
Fall		
CHEM 3398	Physical Chemistry Laboratory II	2
Upper-level CLA Course (numbered 2000 and above)		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3-4
Electives		7-6
	Credit Hours	15
Spring		
CHEM 4196	Techniques of Chemical Measurement II	5
Upper-level CLA Course (numbered 2000 and above)		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Electives		5
	Credit Hours	16
	Total Credit Hours	123
Code	Title	Credit
		Hours
(F) - Fall only course		

(S) - Spring only course

It is strongly encouraged that CHEM 3103/CHEM 3105 be taken before all chemistry laboratory courses numbered above 3105.

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