

CHEMISTRY, B.S. (SCIENCE)

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park

Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2024-25 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition.

Analytical Concentration Option: Chemistry, B.S. at University Park Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PSU 16	1 CHEM 112H or 112 ^{*#}	3
CHEM 110H or 110 ^{*#}	3 CHEM 113 ^{*#}	1
CHEM 111 ^{*#}	1 MATH 141B or 141 ^{*†#†}	4
MATH 140B or 140 ^{*†#†}	4 General Education Course	3
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [†]	3 PHYS 211 [†]	4
General Education Course	3	
	15	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 210H or 210 ^{*#}	3-4 CHEM 212H or 212 [*]	3
CHEM 227 [*]	4 CHEM 213W or 213M [*]	2
MATH 231	2 CHEM 310 [*]	3
PHYS 212 [†]	4 PHYS 213 & PHYS 214 [†]	4
General Education Course	3 CHEM 400	1
	CHEM 430	3
	16-17	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 316	1 CHEM 452 [*]	3
CHEM 450 [*]	3 CHEM 457 [*]	2
CHEM 400 Level Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 General Elective Course	3
ENGL 202C, 202A, 202B, or 202D [†]	3 CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C	3
General Education Course	3 STAT 401 or MATH 250	3
Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5

General Education Course (GHW)	1.5	
	17.5	15.5
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 425W (or CHEM 400 level selection - consult with an academic adviser for options)	4 CHEM 423W [*]	4
CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	4 CHEM 400 Level Elective (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
	17	16

Total Credits 128-129

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All incoming Schreyer Honors College first-year students at University Park will take ENGL 137H/CAS 137H in the fall semester and ENGL 138T/CAS 138T in the spring semester. These courses carry the GWS designation and satisfy a portion of that General Education requirement. If the student's program prescribes GWS these courses will replace both ENGL 15/ENGL 30H and CAS 100A/CAS 100B/CAS 100C. Each course is 3 credits.

Physical Concentration Option: Chemistry, B.S. at University Park Campus

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First Year

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PSU 16	1 CHEM 112H or 112 ^{*#}	3
CHEM 110H or 110	3 CHEM 113 ^{*#}	1
CHEM 111 ^{*#}	1 MATH 141B or 141 ^{*†#†}	4
MATH 140B or 140 ^{*†#†}	4 General Education Course	3
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [†]	3 PHYS 211 [†]	4
General Education Course	3	
	15	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 210H or 210 ^{*#}	3 CHEM 212H [*]	3
CHEM 227 [*]	4 CHEM 213 [*]	2
MATH 231	2 CHEM 310 [*]	3
PHYS 212 [†]	4 PHYS 213 [†]	2
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 PHYS 214 [†]	2
CHEM 400	1 General Education Course	3
	15.5	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 316	1 CHEM 457 [*]	2
CHEM 450 [*]	3 CHEM 464	3
CHEM 452	3 MATH 405	3
MATH 251	4 ENGL 202C, 202A, 202B, or 202D [†]	3
CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
	17	15.5

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 CHEM 459W [*]	4
CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3

General Education Course	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5	
	16.5	16

Total Credits 125.5

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Synthetic/Biological Concentration Option: Chemistry, B.S. at University Park Campus

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First Year

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PSU 16	1 CHEM 112H or 112 ^{*#}	3
CHEM 110H or 110 ^{*#}	3 CHEM 113 ^{*#}	1
CHEM 111 ^{*#}	1 MATH 141B or 141 ^{*†#†}	4
MATH 140B or 140 ^{*†#†}	4 General Education Course	3
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [†]	3 PHYS 211 [†]	4
General Education Course	3	
	15	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 210H or 210 ^{*#}	3-4 CHEM 212H or 212 [*]	3
CHEM 227 [*]	4 CHEM 213W or 213M [*]	2
MATH 231	2 CHEM 310 [*]	3
PHYS 212 [†]	4 CHEM 400	1
General Education Course	3 CHEM 430	3
	General Education Course	3
	16-17	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 316	1 CHEM 452 [*]	3
CHEM 431W [*]	4 CHEM 457 [*]	2
CHEM 450 [*]	3 PHYS 213 [†]	2
ENGL 202C, 202A, 202B, or 202D [†]	3 PHYS 214 [†]	2
Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C [‡]	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
	15.5	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 425W [*]	4 CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
CHEM 432	3 CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
CHEM 476	3 General Education Course	4
STAT 401	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3

General Education Course	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5	
	17.5	16

Total Credits 125-126

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Chemistry, B.S. at Commonwealth Campuses

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CHEM 110H or 110 ^{*#}	3 CHEM 113 ^{*#}	1
CHEM 111 ^{*#}	1 MATH 141 ^{*†#†}	4
MATH 140 ^{*†#†}	4 General Education Course	3
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 [†]	3 PHYS 211 [†]	4
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
	15	16.5

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 210H or 210 ^{*#}	3 CHEM 212H or 212 [*]	3
MATH 231	2 CHEM 213W or 213M [*]	2
PHYS 212 [†]	4 ENGL 202C, 202A, 202B, or 202D	3
CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C	3 PHYS 213 [†]	2
General Education Course	3 PHYS 214 [†]	2
Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 General Education Course	3
	18	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 227 [*]	4 CHEM 310 [*]	3
CHEM 316	1 CHEM 400	1
CHEM 450	3 CHEM 430	3
MATH 250	3 CHEM 452 [*]	3
General Education Course	3 CHEM 457 [*]	2
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
	Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
	15.5	18

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CHEM 431W or 425W [*]	4 CHEM 423W or 459W [*]	4
CHEM 459W [*]	4 CHEM 400 Level Selection (consult with and academic adviser for options)	3
CHEM 400 Level Elective Selection (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 CHEM 400 Level Selection (consult with and academic adviser for options)	3

Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3 Supporting course (consult with an academic adviser for options)	3
	17	16

Total Credits 131

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