CHEMISTRY (CHEM)

Course numbers with the # symbol included (e.g. #400) have not been taught in the last 3 years.

CHEM 400 - Freshman Seminar
Credits: 1
An introduction to the chemistry profession. Talks and workshops on the career of a chemist in academia, industry, medicine, law, teaching and government. Required for chemistry majors. May be repeated. Cr/F.

CHEM 403 - General Chemistry I
Credits: 4
Fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals, and their compounds. For students who plan to take further chemistry courses. Previous chemistry recommended. Knowledge of algebra, exponentials, and logarithms required. Special fee. Lab. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 405. Required for chemistry majors.
Attributes: Discovery Lab Course; Physical Science(Discovery)

CHEM 404 - General Chemistry II
Credits: 4
Fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals, and their compounds. For students who plan to take further chemistry courses. Previous chemistry recommended. Knowledge of algebra, exponentials, and logarithms required. Required for chemistry majors. Special fee. Lab. Prereq: CHEM 403 and 403L.

CHEM 404H - Honors/General Chemistry II
Credits: 4
Fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals, and their compounds. For students who plan to take further chemistry courses. Previous chemistry recommended. Knowledge of algebra, exponentials, and logarithms required. Required for chemistry majors. Special fee. Lab. Prereq: CHEM 403 and 403L. Honors course is designed for students who have enrolled in the honors degree program. Special fee. Lab. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 402. Prereq: CHEM 403.
Attributes: Discovery Lab Course; Physical Science(Discovery)

CHEM 405 - Chemical Principles for Engineers
Credits: 4
Basic principles; atomic structure, bonding, equilibria, and thermodynamics. Prereq: one year of high school chemistry, algebra, and knowledge of logarithms. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 403 and CHEM 404. Required for chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical and computer engineering, environmental engineering; industrial majors. Not applicable for credit for majors in chemistry or biochemistry.
Attributes: Discovery Lab Course; Physical Science(Discovery)

CHEM 406 - General Chemistry Lecture II
Credits: 1
Lab application of fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals and their compounds. Previous general chemistry lecture required. Special permission. Special fee. Not offered every summer. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 401, CHEM 403, CHEM 405, or CHEM 409.

CHEM 408 - Green Goggles
Credits: 4
In this course, we investigate the principles and practice of Green Chemistry. Green Chemistry is the field of science that uses a principle-based approach to design (or redesign) chemical reactions and processes to make them more sustainable. In exploring green chemistry, many of the fundamental concepts of a general chemistry course are investigated in order to understand how chemists "green" chemical reactions. A service learning project is a major component of this course, where students reach out to the community at large and practice discovering the world through their new "green goggles". Online technology is incorporated in this course to further disseminate student projects and work.
Attributes: Physical Science(Discovery)

CHEM 409 - Chemistry and Society
Credits: 4
Elementary survey of chemistry; integrates principles and applications. For students who do not intend to take any other chemistry courses and those interested in satisfying a general education science requirement. Not a prerequisite for any other chemistry courses. (Not offered every year.) Chemistry majors are excluded from taking this course.
Attributes: Physical Science(Discovery); Inquiry (Discovery)

CHEM 411 - Introductory Chemistry for Life Sciences
Credits: 4
Fundamental and pragmatic aspects of chemistry, particularly as foundation for nutritional biochemistry. Includes basics of bonding, acid/base behavior, reaction energy, intermolecular forces, stoichiometry, and equilibrium. High school chemistry not required. This course is not a replacement to CHEM 403 and is not an acceptable pre-requisite for CHEM 404. Special fee. Only open to the following majors: Dairy Management, Wildlife&Conservation Biology, Zoology, Nutrition, Nutr: Dietetics, Nutr: Nutrition & Wellness, Sust Agriculture& Food Systems, and Environmental Horticulture.
Attributes: Discovery Lab Course; Physical Science(Discovery)

CHEM 413 - General Chemistry Lecture I
Credits: 3
Fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals, and their compounds. For students who plan to take further chemistry courses. Previous chemistry recommended. Knowledge of algebra, exponentials, and logarithms required. Special permission required. Not offered every summer. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 401, CHEM 403, CHEM 405, or CHEM 409.

CHEM 414 - General Chemistry Lab I
Credits: 1
Lab application of fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals and their compounds. Previous general chemistry lecture required. Special permission. Special fee. Not offered every summer. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 401, CHEM 403, CHEM 405, or CHEM 409. Not open to Chemistry majors.

CHEM 415 - General Chemistry Lecture II
Credits: 3
Fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals, and their compounds. For students who plan to take further chemistry courses. Previous chemistry recommended. Knowledge of algebra, exponentials, and logarithms required. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 402 or CHEM 404. Prereq: CHEM 403 or CHEM 413.
CHEM 416 - General Chemistry Lab II
Credits: 1
Lab application of fundamental laws and concepts applied to nonmetals, metals and their compounds. Previous general chemistry lecture required. Special permission. Special fee. Not offered every summer. Cannot be taken for credit if credit received for CHEM 402 or CHEM 404. Prereq: CHEM 403 or CHEM 414. Not open to Chemistry majors.

CHEM #444A - Fire and Ice
Credits: 4
Embodyes a focus on the perception, movement, creation, understanding, and everyday use of heat. Examines historical evolution and controversy regarding the concept of heat across physical and life sciences.
Attributes: Physical Science(Discovery); Inquiry (Discovery)

CHEM #444B - Symmetry in Nature, The Arts, and Daily Life
Credits: 4
The elements of symmetry and its occurrence and role in nature (bilateral symmetry in butterflies and animals; cylindrical symmetry in trees and volcanoes; helical symmetry in shells, proteins, and DNA; the role of symmetry in design of medicines); its role in art and design (textiles, advertising); and in our lives (design of houses, chairs, scissors). The course is non-mathematical and is open to students having little background in science. Writing intensive.
Attributes: Physical Science(Discovery); Inquiry (Discovery); Writing Intensive Course

CHEM 4440 - The Story of Oxygen
Credits: 4
The course will deal with a single element - oxygen. We will examine the role that oxygen compounds play in the atmosphere, including the ozone layer, global warming, and smog. In addition, the history of oxygen can be seen as emblematic of the development of chemistry from the mystical philosophy of alchemy to a quantitative science. We will discuss the development of chemistry by considering the history of our understanding of the element.
Attributes: Physical Science(Discovery); Inquiry (Discovery)

CHEM 496 - Freshman Independent Study
Credits: 1-8
Independent study for students who have not had organic chemistry. Designed for students who wish to pursue independent study topics, but do not have the experience to pursue lab research. Cannot be counted toward the major. (Not offered every year.)

CHEM 501 - Peer-led Team Learning in Chemistry
Credits: 2
Initial experience as peer instructional leader. Practical application of theories of cognition, group dynamics, learning, and motivation to helping other students learn chemistry in general chemistry. Requires one weekly meeting with students. Permission required. Prereq: CHEM 403 or CHEM 404.

CHEM 502 - Advanced Peer-led Team Leadership in Chemistry
Credits: 1
Development and assessment of leadership skills. Practical application of theories of cognition, group dynamics, learning, and motivation to helping other students learn chemistry in general chemistry. Requires one weekly meeting with students. Permission required. Prereq: CHEM 403 and CHEM 501.

CHEM 503 - Mentoring for Peer Team Learning
Credits: 1
Experienced leaders mentor a new leader in implementation of PLTL model, including initial co-leading and observational formative assessment. Mentors report on mentee development, visit other experienced leaders, and provide a final evaluation. Mentors lead their own weekly group and assist part-time in the PLTL leader meetings. Prereq: CHEM 501.

CHEM 517 - Quantitative Analysis
Credits: 4
Combines lecture, laboratory, and in-class problem solving to study solubility, acid-base, redox, and complexation reactions and their application for quantitative chemical measurements. Prereq: CHEM 404 or CHEM 405. Lab.
Co-requisite: CHEM 518

CHEM 518 - Quantitative Analysis Laboratory
Credits: 1
Volumetric methods with an emphasis on technique; separations; and selected instrumental methods such as potentiometry, spectrophotometry, atomic absorption, and gas chromatography. Prereq: CHEM 404 or CHEM 405. Special fee.
Co-requisite: CHEM 517

CHEM 545 - Organic Chemistry
Credits: 3
Introductory study of carbon compounds for those who desire a brief terminal course. This course is a one semester course only. CHEM 545 and 546 are not applicable for pre-med, pre-vet, pharmacological majors or minors requiring a year long course of organic. CHEM 545 and CHEM 546 cannot be used to meet semester 1 of the year long-organic course (CHEM 547 or CHEM 651). Prereq: CHEM 403 and CHEM 403L and CHEM 404 and CHEM 404L or CHEM 405. CHEM 545 and CHEM 546L are co-requisites and must be taken together.
Co-requisite: CHEM 546

CHEM 546 - Organic Chemistry Laboratory
Credits: 2
Introductory study of carbon compounds for those who desire a brief terminal course. Prereq: CHEM 404 or CHEM 405. Special fee. Lab.
Co-requisite: CHEM 545

CHEM 547 - Organic Chemistry I
Credits: 3
Principal classes of organic compounds, aliphatic and aromatic; class reactions and structural theory. Intended primarily for chemistry and biochemistry majors. Prereq: CHEM 404; CHEM 405/ or permission. Students receiving credit for CHEM 547-548 may not receive credit for either CHEM 545 or CHEM 651 and CHEM 652.
Co-requisite: CHEM 549

CHEM 548 - Organic Chemistry II
Credits: 3
Principal classes of organic compounds, aliphatic and aromatic; class reactions and structural theory. Intended primarily for chemistry and biochemistry majors. Prereq: CHEM 404; CHEM 405; and CHEM 547/ or permission. Students receiving credit for CHEM 547 and CHEM 548 may not receive credit for either CHEM 545 or CHEM 651 and CHEM 652. Only listed majors allowed: Chemistry (BS), Chemistry (BA), Bchmmolcebio, and Biochemistry.
Co-requisite: CHEM 550
CHEM 549 - Organic Chemistry Laboratory
Credits: 2
Special fee. Lab.
Co-requisite: CHEM 547

CHEM 550 - Organic Chemistry Laboratory
Credits: 2
Special fee. Lab.
Co-requisite: CHEM 548

CHEM 574 - Chemistry Across the Periodic Table
Credits: 4
Ninety-eight elements form the building blocks of every substance on Earth— they are elegantly organized into what we now call The Periodic Table. This course will discuss the structure/property/reactivity patterns inherent in The Periodic Table, their origins according to the quantum mechanical model of the atom, and how they are manifest in current research advancements and modern applications of main group element chemistry, transition metal chemistry, and the chemistry of solids and materials. Prereq: CHEM 404; and CHEM 405;/or permission. Students receiving credit for CHEM 651 and CHEM 654. Co-requisite: CHEM 654.

CHEM 576 - Experimental Inorganic Chemistry
Credits: 2
This laboratory course is an introduction to synthetic methods in inorganic chemistry and the study of the elements across the periodic table. This course will emphasize the use of spectroscopic and analytical techniques specifically aimed at characterizing and identifying inorganic compounds, such as multi-nuclear NMR, UV\Vis, IR spectroscopy, X-ray diffraction and mass spectrometry. An introduction to scientific writing will be included. Special fee. CHEM 574 is a pre- or co-requisite.

CHEM 578 - Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory
Credits: 2
Methods of determining the structure of matter. Prereq: CHEM 404; and CHEM 405;/or permission. Students receiving credit for CHEM 576 may not receive credit for either CHEM 545 or CHEM 546. Special fee. Co-requisite: CHEM 546.

CHEM 550 - Organic Chemistry Laboratory
Credits: 2
Special fee. Lab.
Co-requisite: CHEM 547

CHEM 583 - Physical Chemistry I
Credits: 3
Topics may be chosen from: properties of gases, liquids, and solids; thermochemistry, and thermodynamics; chemical equilibria; reaction rates; quantum chemistry and spectroscopy. Prereq: CHEM 404 or CHEM 405; MATH 426. Pre- or Coreq: PHYS 402 or PHYS 407. Coreq: CHEM 685 and CHEM 686.

CHEM 584 - Physical Chemistry II
Credits: 3
Topics may be chosen from: properties of gases, liquids, and solids; thermochemistry, and thermodynamics; chemical equilibria; reaction rates; quantum chemistry and spectroscopy. Prereq: CHEM 404 or CHEM 405 and CHEM 683; MATH 426. Pre- or Coreq: PHYS 402 or PHYS 407. Co-requisite: CHEM 686

CHEM 585 - Physical Chemistry Laboratory
Credits: 2

CHEM 686 - Independent Study
Credits: 1-4
For exceptional students. Individual reading, writing, or laboratory work carried out under the tutelage of a faculty member. May be used to replace specific required courses in chemistry. Prereq: approval of the adviser and department chairperson. Credits to be arranged.

CHEM 708 - Spectroscopic Investigations of Organic Molecules
Credits: 3
Identification and structural analysis of chemical compounds by selected instrumental methods. Typical topics include proton and carbon-13 NMR spectroscopy, IR and UV spectroscopy, and mass spectrometry.

CHEM 754 - Advanced Organic Chemistry
Credits: 3
Methods of synthesis ad determination of structure, including stereochemistry of complex organic compounds. Prereq: CHEM 548 or CHEM 652 or equivalent. Coreq for CHEM majors: CHEM 756.

CHEM 755 - Advanced Organic Chemistry Laboratory
Credits: 2 or 3
CHEM 762 - Instrumental Methods of Chemical Analysis  
Credits: 3  
Theory, instrumentation, and application of methods such as atomic absorption, coulometry, emission spectrography, gas and liquid chromatography, polarography, potentiometry, IR and UV-VIS absorption spectrophotometry, and mass spectrometry to chemical analysis. Prereq: CHEM 406 or CHEM 517; CHEM 684 as a pre- or co-requisite/or permission.  
Co-requisite: CHEM 763  

CHEM 763 - Instrumental Methods of Chemical Analysis Laboratory  
Credits: 2 or 3  
Experimental parameters, error analysis, and applications of the methods covered in CHEM 762. Special fee.  
Co-requisite: CHEM 762  

CHEM 774 - Inorganic Chemistry  
Credits: 3  
Basic theoretical concepts and their applications to inorganic reactions and compounds. Prereq: organic chemistry; physical chemistry/or permission.  
Co-requisite: CHEM 775  

CHEM 775 - Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory  
Credits: 2  
In-depth instruction of selected techniques of synthesis and characterization of inorganic compounds. Emphasis on the analysis and presentation of results and experiment planning. Includes open-ended and collaborative projects. Special fee.  
Co-requisite: CHEM 774  

CHEM 776 - Physical Chemistry III  
Credits: 3  
Application of quantum theory to atomic electron structure, molecular structure, and spectroscopy. Advanced topics in physical chemistry. Prereq: CHEM 683-684. Special fee.  

CHEM 777 - Advanced Synthesis and Characterization  
Credits: 3  
This is an advanced laboratory course involving the synthesis and characterization of organic and inorganic compounds. Students will leave this course with sufficient proficiency to reproduce synthetic procedures and prepare compounds from the chemical literature. Special fee. Prereq: CHEM 550, CHEM 576.  

CHEM 795 - Special Topics  
Credits: 2-4  
New or specialized topics not covered in regular course offerings. May be repeated to a maximum of 4 credits. Prereq: permission.  

CHEM 798 - Senior Seminar  
Credits: 1  
Student reports on topics of interest. Writing intensive. Prereq: CHEM 548 or CHEM 652, CHEM 684. Cr/F.  
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course  

CHEM 799 - Senior Thesis  
Credits: 4  
Yearlong investigation in a selected topic, with background and experimental investigation. For chemistry majors who have completed CHEM 548, CHEM 694, and CHEM 762. Required for B.S. majors. Strongly recommended for B.A. chemistry majors. Prereq: 2.50 average and approval of department chairperson. Prereq: CHEM 548, CHEM 684, CHEM 762. Permission required. Lab. Two semesters of 4 credits each are required. Writing intensive.  
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course