

CHEMISTRY-BS

THIS IS A **GENERAL** CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

Year One			
¹ CHM 125+126 Principles of Chemistry I w/lab (GE Physical Science) Prerequisites: High school chemistry and (MTH 110 or MTH 122 or MTH 125 or MTH 201)	3/1 (6)	¹ CHM 127+128 Principles of Chemistry II w/lab Prerequisites: CHM 125+126 and (MTH 122 or MTH 124 or MTH 125 or MTH 201)	4/1 (7)
² MTH 124 Precalculus: Functions and Models Prerequisite: MTH 110	5	³ WRT 130 or WRT 150 Strategies in Writing (GE Writing)	3/4
Gen Ed (GE Art) or ³ WRT 120 (self-placement)	3	MTH 201 Calculus I (GE Math) Prerequisites: MTH 124; or MTH 122 and MTH 123; or assignment through Grand Valley math placement	4
Gen Ed (GE Philosophy & Literature)	3	⁵ Elective or Gen Ed (GE Life Science)	2-3
<i>Numbers noted within (parentheses) are contact hours</i> Total	15	Total	15-16
Year Two			
CHM 273 Principles of Inorganic Chemistry (Fall Only) Prerequisites: CHM 127+128	3	CHM 221 Survey of Analytical Chemistry Prerequisites: CHM 127+128	4 (7)
⁴ CHM 245 Principles of Organic Chemistry I (Fall Only)	4	⁴ CHM 247 Principles of Organic Chemistry II (Winter Only)	3
⁴ CHM 246 Principles of Organic Chemistry I Lab (Fall Only) Prerequisites: CHM 127+128; CHM 245 and 246 must be taken concurrently	1 (4)	⁴ CHM 248 Principles of Organic Chemistry II Lab (Winter Only) Prerequisites: CHM 245 and CHM 246; CHM 247 and 248 must be taken concurrently	1 (4)
MTH 202 Calculus II Prerequisite: MTH 201	4	PHY 230 Principles of Physics I Prerequisite: MTH 201	5 (7)
Gen Ed (GE Social/Behavioral)	3	⁵ Elective	1
Total	15	Total	14
Year Three			
CHM 325 SWS Instrumental Analysis (Fall Only) Prerequisites: CHM 221; WRT 130 or 150 with a C or better	4 (6)	CHM 352 Applied Physical Chemistry Prerequisites: CHM 351 or 356 (either can be taken concurrently)	1 (3)
CHM 356 Physical Chemistry I (Fall Only) Prerequisites: CHM 127+128, MTH 202, PHY 230	3	CHM 358 Physical Chemistry II (Winter Only) Prerequisites: CHM 356 and PHY 231 (may be taken concurrently)	3
PHY 231 Principles of Physics II Prerequisite: PHY 230 and MTH 202	5 (7)	CHM 391 Chemistry Seminar I Prerequisites: 18 credits of chemistry and junior standing	1
Gen Ed (GE Social/Behavioral)	3	MTH 203 Calculus III (recommended)	4
		Issue-SWS	3
		⁵ Elective	3
Total	15	Total	15
Year Four			
CHM 461 Biochemistry I Prerequisites: CHM 237 or CHM 247, CHM 248	4	CHM 491 Chemistry Seminar II (Capstone) Prerequisites: CHM 391 and senior standing	1
Chemistry Elective (see p. 2)	3	Chemistry Elective (see p. 2)	3
Gen Ed (GE Historical Analysis)	3	Chemistry Elective (see p. 2)	3
Gen Ed (GE Global Perspectives)	3	⁵ Elective or Gen Ed (if remaining)	3
Issue	3	Gen Ed (GE US Diversity)	
Total	15-16	Total	15*

*The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15.

¹Chemistry majors who have AP/IB Credit in CHM 125/126 and/or CHM 127/128 are generally better prepared for higher level chemistry courses if they take CHM 125/126 and CHM 127/128 at GVSU.² MTH 124 is not part of the major but may be required depending on math placement. **To take the Math Proficiency Tests online, visit this link: gvsu.edu/s/mv**³Students who self-place into WRT 120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of their first year. Students will not need to take WRT 150 if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better is required in WRT 130 or 150 in order to satisfy the WRT requirement at GVSU.⁴CHM 235+236 and CHM 237+238 may substitute for CHM 245/246/247/248 with advisor approval.⁵Students must have a **minimum of 120 credits** to graduate with **58 of the 120 credits** being from a senior level institution and the **final 30 of the 120 credits** completed at GVSU. Elective refers to any course that will help meet these requirements.

Declaring the Chemistry Major:

1. In myBanner, select "Student" > "Student Records" > "Change Major" > "Change Major 1/Program"
2. Choose "Chemistry-BS" from the drop-down box.
3. Click "Submit" and then "Change to New Program"

General Education Categories fulfilled by the Chemistry Major:
Physical Sciences with Lab: CHM 125+126
Mathematical Sciences: MTH 124 or MTH 201

Choose 3 classes from the following Chemistry Elective options (classes are 3 credit hours unless otherwise noted)
 Check Chemistry department website for most current [course rotation schedule](#)

Offered in Fall Semesters only:

CHM 421 Green Chemistry for Sustainable Environment (*offered in odd-numbered years*)

Prerequisite: One of CHM 231, CHM 237, or CHM 247

CHM 448 Advanced Organic Chemistry (4 credits)

Prerequisite: CHM 237+238 or CHM 247+248

CHM 475 Electrochemistry (*offered in even-numbered years*)

Prerequisites: CHM 125+126, and one of PHY 221, PHY 231 or PHY 234; or permission of instructor.

Offered in both Fall and Winter Semesters:

CHM 462-SWS Techniques in Biochemistry

Prerequisite: CHM 461

Offered in Winter Semesters only:

CHM 427 Green and Environmental Chemistry Lab (*offered in odd-numbered years*)

Prerequisite: CHM 221; CHM 235+236, or CHM 245 and CHM 246

CHM 457 Advanced Physical & Instrumental Chemistry Lab (*offered even-numbered years*)

Prerequisites: CHM 221 and CHM 352 (may be taken concurrently)

CHM 463 Biochemistry II

Prerequisite: CHM 461

CHM 478 Advanced Inorganic Chemistry (4 credits)

Prerequisite: CHM 273 and either (CHM 237+238) or CHM 248

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor or an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly.

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The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-120 MAK, 616-331-8585

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Preprofessional Students

(Prechiropractic, Predental, Premedical, Preoptometry, Prepharmacy, Prepodiatry, & Preveterinary)

Keep in mind that you may major in anything so long as you complete the prerequisites for your professional program.

To schedule an appointment with a Preprofessional Advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center, visit www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising and click on "Schedule Appointment"

To find more information on Preprofessional programs, visit www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising/preprofessional