

College of SCIENCE
Department of CHEMISTRY
Bachelor of Science in CHEMISTRY
Major in POLYMER CHEMISTRY
For students graduating in calendar year 2021

A dagger (†) indicates a course with prerequisites or co-requisites.
These are detailed on the last page of this check-sheet.

I. Curriculum for Liberal Education (CLE) Requirements (40 credits)

Area 1: Writing and Discourse (6 credits). ENGL 1105-1106 satisfies the first-year writing requirement and is recommended. CHEM 4014 satisfies part of the chemistry ViEWS (Visual Expression, Writing and Speaking) requirement. Polymer Chemistry majors may take three credits of Undergraduate Research, CHEM 4994(H), and make a poster presentation to satisfy the remaining ViEWS requirement within chemistry. Other options for satisfying ViEWS are pursuing a second major, taking ENGL 3764 Technical Writing, and taking COMM 2004 Public Speaking.

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Area 2: Ideas, Cultural Traditions, and Values (6 credits).

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Area 3: Society and Human Behavior (6 credits). SOC 1004 and PSYC 1004 are recommended to students planning health sciences careers.

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Area 4: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery (8 credits). The following course sequence is required of all students majoring in Polymer Chemistry within the B.S. Degree in Chemistry.

† PHYS 2305-2306 Foundations of Physics		
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Area 5: Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning (8 credits). The following course sequence is required of all students majoring in Polymer Chemistry within the B.S. Degree in Chemistry.

† MATH 1225-1226 Calculus of a Single Variable		
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Area 6: Creativity and Aesthetic Experience (3 credits in one course selected from the CLE list).

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Area 7: Critical Issues in a Global Context (3 credits).

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II. Chemistry Bachelor of Science Core Courses (22 credits)

CHEM 1004 Chemistry First Year Experience	1			
† CHEM 1055-1056 General Chemistry for Majors	4		4	
† CHEM 1065-1066 General Chemistry for Major Laboratory ^{1,2}	1		1	
† CHEM 2565-2566 Principles of Organic Chemistry ³	3		3	
† CHEM 2154 Analytical Chemistry for Chemistry Majors	4			
† CHEM 2164 Analytical Chemistry for Chemistry Majors Lab	1			

III. Additional Required Courses for the Chemistry Bachelor of Science (8 credits)

† CHEM 2555-2556 Organic Synthesis & Techniques Laboratory ⁴	2		2	
† CHEM 4014 Survey of Chemical Literature	1			
† STAT 3005 Statistical Methods or † STAT 3615 Biological Statistics	3			

IV. Required Courses Specific to the Major in Polymer Chemistry (12 credits)**

† MATH 2204 Introduction to Multivariable Calculus	3	
† CHEM 3615 Physical Chemistry ⁶	3	
† CHEM 3625 Physical Chemistry Laboratory	1	
† CHEM 4534 Organic Chemistry of Polymers	3	
† CHEM 4074 / MSE 4544 Laboratory in Polymer Science	2	

** † MATH 1225-1226 and † PHYS 2305-2306 are also required of all Polymer Chemistry majors within the B.S. Degree Program in Chemistry. These courses are listed in Section I above.

V. Restricted Electives (9 credits)

Choose three of the following courses:

† CHEM 4524 Identification of Organic Compounds (Pre: 3616 or 4616)	3	
† CHEM 4634 / MSE 4534 Polymer and Surface Chemistry	3	
† CHEM 4424 / SBIO 4424 Polysaccharide Chemistry	3	
† CHE 4104 Process Materials (Pre: CHE 2164)	3	
† PHYS 4564 Polymer Physics	3	

VI. Free Electives (29 credits)

Prerequisites

This checklist has no hidden prerequisites, although some of the courses listed are prerequisites for other courses. Courses marked with a dagger (†) have prerequisites; these are specified in the table on the following page. Please see your advisor or consult the Undergraduate Course Catalog for more information. Please note that Chemistry majors are expected to be “calculus-ready” upon the start of their curriculum.

Acceptable Substitutions

¹Prior credit for CHEM 1045 may be substituted for CHEM 1065.

²Prior credit for CHEM 1046 may be substituted for CHEM 1066.

³If a student has taken CHEM 2535 prior to adding a degree in chemistry, a minimum grade of “B” (3.0) or better is required to substitute CHEM 2535 as CHEM 2565.

⁴Since CHEM 2545-2546 does not satisfy the prerequisite for CHEM 2556 (due to training on specific instrumentation), if a student adds a CHEM BS degree after completing CHEM 2545-2546, two or more credits of CHEM 4994 may substitute for CHEM 2556 to meet the requirement.

⁵STAT 4604 may be substituted for (STAT 3005 or STAT 3615).

⁶Credit for CHE 2164 may be substituted for CHEM 3615

Foreign Language Requirement

Students who did not successfully complete at least two years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language during high school must successfully complete six credit hours of a single foreign, classical, or sign language at the college level. Courses taken to meet this requirement do not count toward the hours required for graduates. Please consult the Undergraduate Catalog for details.

Satisfactory Progress Towards Degree and Minimum Grade Requirements

Upon having attempted 72 credits, student must have completed CHEM 1055-1056, CHEM 1065-1066, CHEM 1004, CHEM 2565-2566, CHEM 2555-2556, PHYS 2305-2306, and MATH 1225-1226.

Polymer chemistry majors must maintain an in-major GPA of 2.0. If a polymer chemistry major fails to meet this requirement for one academic term the student will be placed on Policy 91 (Satisfactory Progress Towards Degree) probation. Failure to meet the standard for two consecutive semesters will result in a Policy 91 suspension.

Polymer Chemistry majors must earn a grade of “C” or better in CHEM 1055, 1056, and 2565.

- If a polymer chemistry major fails to earn a “C” or better in CHEM 1055, the student must either retake this class (and earn the minimum grade) **or** take CHEM 1035-1036 *General Chemistry* and earn a “B” or better in both semesters to remain in good standing for a chemistry degree and to enroll in CHEM 2565.
- If a polymer chemistry major fails to earn a “C” or better in CHEM 2565, the student must either retake this class (and earn the minimum grade) **or** take CHEM 2535 *Organic Chemistry* and earn a “B” or better to remain in good standing for a chemistry degree and to enroll in CHEM 2566.

Graduation Requirements

Graduation requires completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours with a GPA of 2.0 or greater for all hours attempted. In addition, students must have an in-major GPA of 2.0 or greater counting all required chemistry courses and chemistry electives. The in-major CHEM GPA excludes Chemistry in Context (CHEM 1015, 1016, 1025, 1026), First-Year Experience (CHEM 1004), and Chemistry Problem Solving Skills (CHEM 2984). No more than 6 hours of CHEM 2974, 4974, and 4994 will be included in a student's in-major GPA.

Table of Prerequisites and Co-requisites

Courses in this check-sheet marked with a dagger (†) have prerequisites or co-requisites.
These are detailed in the following table.

Check-sheet Course	Pre-requisites and Co-requisites
PHYS 2305-2306	Pre: (MATH 1205 or MATH 1205H or MATH 1225) or (MATH 1206 or MATH 1206H or MATH 1226) for 2305; (MATH 1206 or MATH 1206H or MATH 1226), 2305 for 2306. Co: 2325 or (MATH 1206 or MATH 1206H or MATH 1226) for 2305
MATH 1225-1226	Pre: 1225 (C-) for 1226
CHEM 1055-1056	Co: 1065 for 1055; 1066 for 1056
CHEM 1065-1066	Co: 1055 for 1065; 1056 for 1066.
CHEM 2555-2556	Pre: 2565 for 2555; 2555 for 2556
CHEM 2565-2566	Pre: 1036 or 1056 or 1036H or 1056H for 2565; 2565 for 2566
CHEM 2154	Pre: 1036 or 1056 or 1056H. Co: 2164
CHEM 2164	Pre: 1046 or 1066. Co: 2154
CHEM 4014	Pre: Junior standing
STAT 3005	Pre: MATH 1205 or MATH 1225; Co: MATH 1206 or MATH 1226
STAT 3615	Pre: MATH 1205 or MATH 1225 or MATH 1025 or MATH 1525
MATH 2004	Pre: 1226.
CHEM 3615	Pre: (1035 or 1055 or 1055H), (1036 or 1056 or 1056H), PHYS 2306, (MATH 2204 or MATH 2204H or MATH 2224)
CHEM 3625	Pre: 3615 or 3615H or 4615
CHEM 4534	Pre: 2536 or 2566
CHEM 4524	Pre: (2536 or 2566), (3616 or 3616H or 4616)
CHEM 4634	Pre: 3615 or 4615; course is cross-listed with MSE 4534
CHEM 4074	Pre: 3616, 4534; course is cross-listed with MSE 4534
CHE 4104	Pre: 2164, (CHEM 2535 or CHEM 2565)
PHYS 4564	Pre: 2306
CHEM 4424	Pre: 2536 or 2566; course is cross-listed with SBIO 4424