

Program Progression Guide

Disclaimer: The [2025-2026 Purdue West Lafayette catalog](#) is considered the source for academic and programmatic requirements for students entering programs during the Fall 2025, Spring 2026, and Summer 2026 semesters. The Program Progression Guide assists students in the development of an individualized 8-semester plan. Students are encouraged to use this guide, MyPurduePlan* (online degree auditing tool) and the Student Educational Planner (SEP) as they work with their academic advisor towards the completion of their degree requirements.

Notification: Each student is ultimately responsible for knowing, monitoring and completing all degree requirements.

An undergraduate degree in the College of Science requires completion of the following degree requirements.

University Degree Requirements		
Minimum 2.0 Cumulative GPA	Minimum 120 Credits that fulfill degree requirements	32 Residency Credits (30000 and above) at a Purdue University campus
University Core Curriculum**		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human Cultures: Behavioral/Social Science Human Cultures: Humanities Information Literacy Oral Communication <p>University Core Curriculum Course Listing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quantitative Reasoning Science Science, Technology & Society Selective Written Communication 	
Required Major Program Courses		
Departmental specific requirements. 2.0 average GPA in CHEM classes required to graduate. Minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA		
College of Science Core Curriculum		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written Communication— 3 credits Technical Writing and Presentation - 3 credits Teaming & Collaboration (NC) General Education - 9 credits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foreign Language & Culture – 9 credits Great Issues - 3 credits Laboratory Science - 8 credits Science, Technology & Society - 3 credits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mathematics - 6-10 credits Statistics - 3 credits Computing - 3 credits
Degree Electives		
Any Purdue or transfer course approved to meet degree requirements in accordance with individual departmental policies.		

* This audit is not your academic transcript and it is not official notification of completion of degree or certificate requirements.

** University Core Curriculum Outcomes may be met through completion of the College of Science Core curriculum. Students should consult with their academic advisors and MyPurdue Plan for course selections.

2025-26 Chemistry (ACS) Degree Progression Guide

The Chemistry Department has **suggested** the following degree progression guide for the Chemistry (ACS) Degree.
Students will work with their academic advisors to determine their best path to degree completion.
Course pre-requisites are specific to this degree plan.

Credit	Fall 1st Year	Prerequisite	Credit	Spring 1st Year	Prerequisite
4-5	CHM 12500 (<i>fall only</i>) or 11510+11520		4-5	CHM 12600 (<i>spring only</i>) or 11610+11620	CHM 12500
4-5	MA 16100 or 16500	ALEKS 85	4-5	MA 16200 or 16600	MA 16100
1	CHM 19400		4	PHYS 17200	MA16100
3-4	Science Core First-year Composition Option		3-4	Science Core Option	
0-3	Free Elective				
12-18			15-18		

Credit	Fall 2nd Year	Prerequisite	Credit	Spring 2nd Year	Prerequisite
3	CHM 26505 <i>fall only</i>	CHM 12600	3	CHM 26605 <i>spring only</i>	CHM 26505
2	CHM 26500 <i>fall only</i>	CHM 12600	0-2	Lab Selective <i>spring only</i>	CHM 26500
4	PHYS 27200	PHYS 17200 & MA 16200	3	CHM 22400	CHM 12600
1	CHM 29400 <i>fall only</i>		3-4	Science Core Option - Statistics	
3-4	Science Core Option		3	Science Core Option	
3	Free Elective				
16-17			12-14		

Credit	Fall 3rd Year	Prerequisite	Credit	Spring 3rd Year	Prerequisite
4	CHM 24100 <i>fall only</i>		3	CHM 37400 <i>spring only</i>	CHM 37300
3	CHM 37300 <i>fall only</i>	PHYS 27200	3	Free Elective	
1	CHM 37301 <i>fall only</i>		3	Upper Level Selective	
0-3	Free Elective		3	Science Core Option	
3	Science Core Option		3	Science Core Option	
3	Science Core Option		0-3	Free Elective	
14-17			15-18		

Credit	Fall 4th Year	Prerequisite	Credit	Spring 4th Year	Prerequisite
3	CHM 43300 <i>fall only</i>	CHM 26505	3	Upper Level Selective	
4	Lab Selective - Analytical		0-1	Lab Selective	
1	CHM 49400		3	Science Core Option	
3	Science Core Option		3	Science Core Option	
3	Science Core Option		3	Free Elective	
0-3	Free Elective		0-3	Free Elective	
14-17			13-16		

Science Core Curriculum Options

(one course needed for each requirement unless otherwise noted)

Options recommended for first- and second-year students	Options recommended for third- and fourth-year students
Written Communication ^{UC} General Education ^{UC} (3 courses needed) Foreign Language and Culture ^{UC} (3 courses needed) Science Technology and Society ^{UC}	Technical Writing and Presentation ^{UC} (COM 217 recommended) Statistics (STAT 30100 or 35000) Computing (CS 17700 or CS 15900) Great Issues

^{UC} Select courses may also satisfy a University Core Curriculum requirement; see the University Core Requirement [course list](#) for approved courses.