

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOCHEMISTRY (AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY CERTIFICATION)

Web Site: <https://twu.edu/chemistry-biochemistry/undergraduate-programs/bs-in-biochemistry-with-an-ac-s-certification/>

The ACS plan, approved by the American Chemical Society, is the most comprehensive offered by the department. Students who complete this degree program will receive ACS professional certification. This program is recommended for those contemplating careers in the chemical industry or for those working toward advanced degrees in chemistry.

Marketable Skills

Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30 Strategic Plan (<https://reportcenter.highered.texas.gov/agency-publication/miscellaneous/the-cb-60x30-strategic-plan/>) as, "Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities."

- As a member of an undergraduate teaching lab team and research team, you will learn how to work and communicate with diverse team members.
- By writing laboratory reports, papers, senior theses coupled with presenting your work to your peers, at conferences, or to the general public, you will gain valuable verbal and written communication skills.
- With our departmental focus on civic engagement and laboratory safety as our first priority, you will understand social and personal responsibility.
- Finally, since earning a degree in any field of chemistry naturally requires excellent problem solving and critical thinking skills related to chemistry, these skills can also be used to address other issues and solve other problems.

Admissions

All applicants must meet the general undergraduate admission requirements (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>).

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): 120

Major: 53 SCH

Program Code: BIOCHEMISTRY.BS.ACS; **CIP Code:** 26.0202.00

Texas Core Curriculum

Code	Title	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I	3
ENG 1023	Composition II	3
Mathematics		3
Life & Physical Sciences		6

Language, Philosophy, & Culture		3
Creative Arts		3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	3
POLS 2023	Texas Government	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences		3
CAO: Women's Studies		3
CAO: First Year Seminar, Wellness or Mathematics		3
Total SCHs		42

Courses Required for Major

Code	Title	SCHs
CHEM 1001	Horizons of Chemistry and Biochemistry I: Career Possibilities	1
CHEM 1101	Horizons of Chemistry and Biochemistry II: Current Applications	1
CHEM 1213 & CHEM 1211	Principles of Chemistry I and Principles of Chemistry Laboratory I	4
CHEM 1223 & CHEM 1221	Principles of Chemistry II and Principles of Chemistry Laboratory II	4
CHEM 2213 & CHEM 2211	Organic Chemistry I and Organic Chemistry Laboratory I	4
CHEM 3223 & CHEM 3221	Organic Chemistry II and Organic Chemistry Laboratory II	4
CHEM 3413 & CHEM 3411	Physical Chemistry I and Physical Chemistry Laboratory I	4
CHEM 3333 & CHEM 3331	Quantitative Chemical Analysis and Quantitative Chemical Analysis Laboratory	4
CHEM 3423 & CHEM 3421	Physical Chemistry II and Physical Chemistry Laboratory II	4
CHEM 3633 & CHEM 3632	Biochemistry I and Biochemistry I Laboratory	5
CHEM 3643	Biochemistry II	3
CHEM 4001	Research Presentations in Chemistry and Biochemistry	1
CHEM 4313 & CHEM 4311	Instrumental Analysis and Instrumental Analysis Laboratory	4
CHEM 4513 & CHEM 4511	Inorganic Chemistry and Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory	4
CHEM 4981	Undergraduate Research (taken twice)	2
CHEM 4983	Undergraduate Research	3
CHEM 4991	Senior Thesis	1
Total SCHs		53

Departmental Requirements

Code	Title	SCHs
MATH 2014	Calculus I (may be applied from core)	4
MATH 2024	Calculus II	4
BIOL 1113 & BIOL 1111	Principles of Biology I and Principles of Biology I Laboratory	4
BIOL 1123 & BIOL 1121	Principles of Biology II and Principles of Biology II Laboratory	4

PHYS 2153 & PHYS 2151	General Physics I and General Physics Laboratory I (may be applied from core)	4	CHEM 3333 & CHEM 3331	Quantitative Chemical Analysis and Quantitative Chemical Analysis Laboratory	4
PHYS 2163 & PHYS 2161	General Physics II and General Physics Laboratory II (may be applied from core)	4	SCHs 15		

Total SCHs **24**

Recommended Plan of Study

First Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs	
CHEM 1001	Horizons of Chemistry and Biochemistry I: Career Possibilities		1	
CHEM 1213 & CHEM 1211	Principles of Chemistry I and Principles of Chemistry Laboratory I		4	
MATH 2014	Calculus I	MATH 2413	4	
BIOL 1113 & BIOL 1111	Principles of Biology I and Principles of Biology I Laboratory	BIOL 1406 & BIOL 1106	4	
UNIV 1231	Learning Frameworks: The First Year Experience	EDUC 1100, EDUC 1200, EDUC 1300	1	
Wellness CAO Core			2	
SCHs			16	

Spring		TCCN		
CHEM 1101	Horizons of Chemistry and Biochemistry II: Current Applications		1	
CHEM 1223 & CHEM 1221	Principles of Chemistry II and Principles of Chemistry Laboratory II		4	
MATH 2024	Calculus II	MATH 2414	4	
BIOL 1123 & BIOL 1121	Principles of Biology II and Principles of Biology II Laboratory	BIOL 1407 & BIOL 1107	4	
Multicultural Women's Studies CAO Core			3	
SCHs			16	

Second Year

Fall		TCCN		
CHEM 2213 & CHEM 2211	Organic Chemistry I and Organic Chemistry Laboratory I	CHEM 2323 & CHEM 2123	4	
PHYS 2153 & PHYS 2151	General Physics I and General Physics Laboratory I	PHYS 2325 & PHYS 2125	4	
ENG 1013	Composition I	ENGL 1301	3	
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	GOVT 2305	3	
SCHs			14	

Spring		TCCN		
CHEM 3223 & CHEM 3221	Organic Chemistry II and Organic Chemistry Laboratory II		4	
PHYS 2163 & PHYS 2161	General Physics II and General Physics Laboratory II	PHYS 2326 & PHYS 2126	4	
ENG 1023	Composition II	ENGL 1302	3	

SCHs **15**

Third Year

Fall		TCCN		
CHEM 3413 & CHEM 3411	Physical Chemistry I and Physical Chemistry Laboratory I		4	
CHEM 3633 & CHEM 3632	Biochemistry I and Biochemistry I Laboratory		5	
CHEM 4513 & CHEM 4511	Inorganic Chemistry and Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory		4	
CHEM 4981	Undergraduate Research		1	
SCHs			14	

Spring		TCCN		
CHEM 3423 & CHEM 3421	Physical Chemistry II and Physical Chemistry Laboratory II		4	
CHEM 3643	Biochemistry II		3	
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	HIST 1301	3	
CHEM 3713 & CHEM 3711	Environmental Chemistry I and Environmental Chemistry Laboratory I		4	
CHEM 4981	Undergraduate Research		1	
SCHs			15	

Fourth Year

Fall		TCCN		
CHEM 4983	Undergraduate Research		3	
Creative Arts Core			3	
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	HIST 1302	3	
POLS 2023	Texas Government	GOVT 2306	3	
CHEM 4313 & CHEM 4311	Instrumental Analysis and Instrumental Analysis Laboratory		4	
SCHs			16	

Spring		TCCN		
CHEM 4001	Research Presentations in Chemistry and Biochemistry		1	
CHEM 4991	Senior Thesis		1	
Language, Philosophy, and Culture Core			3	
Social & Behavioral Science Core			3	
Elective			3	
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SCHs			14	

Total SCHs: **120**