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BIOCHEMISTRY (CH38)

Major Requirements for the CHEMISTRY B.S. Degree

Starting Fall 2022 and After - Transfer Students

The Biochemistry B.S. focuses on the chemical processes in living organisms, including the structure and function of proteins, nucleic acids, lipids, and carbohydrates. It is suitable for those planning to go to graduate school as well as medical, dental, veterinary, and other professional schools. It is also suitable at the bachelor's level for jobs in the biotechnology or pharmaceutical field.

All	courses must be taken for a letter grade:				
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	General Chemistry (CHEM 6A, 6B & 6C or 6AH, 6BH & 6CH)		Calculus (MATH 20A, 20B, 20C & 20D) Organic Chemistry (CHEM 41A, 41B & 41C)		
	General Chemistry Lab (CHEM 7L or 7LM)		<u> </u>		
	Physics (PHYS 2A, 2B & 2C or 2D)		General Biology (BILD 1 and BILD 2)		
	Physics Lab (PHYS 2BL or 2CL or 2DL)				
Up	per Division Requirements:				
	 Physical Chemistry (CHEM 126A & 126B recommended; CHEM 130, 131 & 132 acceptable) Biochemistry (CHEM 114A, 114B, & 114C) Protein Biochemistry Lab (CHEM 108) Recombinant DNA Lab (CHEM 109) Analytical Chemistry Lab (CHEM 100A) Three Restricted Biochemistry Electives: 				
	a. Physical Chemistry of Biological Macromolecules	g.	Bioinorganic Chemistry (CHEM 125)		
	(CHEM 113)	ĥ.	Introduction to Glycosciences (CHEM 142)		
	b. Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry (CHEM 114D)	i.	Bioorganic and Natural Products Chemistry (CHEM 157)		
	c. Genome, Epigenome, and Transcriptome Editing (CHEM 115)	j. k.	Structural Biology of Viruses (CHEM 164) 3D Electron Microscopy of Macromolecules		
	d. Chemistry of Enzyme Catalyzed Reactions		(CHEM 165)		
	(CHEM 116)	I.	Medicinal Chemistry (CHEM 167)		
	e. Pharmacology and Toxicology (CHEM 118)	m	. Drug Synthesis and Design (CHEM 168)		
	f. RNA Biochemistry (CHEM 119)				
 7. One Additional Elective: a. Any 4-unit upper division course (numbered 100-191) offered by the Dept of Chemistry & Biocher and taken for letter grade. 					
					b. CHEM 199 may be petitioned to fulfill this elective.
	c. Genetics (BICD 100)				
	d. Cell Biology (BICD 110)				
	e. Immunology (BICD 140)				
	f. Virology (BIMM 114)				
	g. Microbiology (BIMM 120)				
	h. Human Physiology I (BIPN 100)				
	i. Human Physiology II (BIPN 102)				
	j. Cellular Neurobiology (BIPN 140)				

☐ Complete CHEM 120A, CHEM 105A, and **ONE** of the following: CHEM 100B, 123, 143B, 143C, 143D, or

ASC Certification (optional):

Suggested 2-year Academic Plan for Biochemistry B.S.

	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	
This plan assumes	THIRD YEAR – 1 ST YEAR TRASNFER			
completion of	CHEM 114A	CHEM 114B	CHEM 114C	
Preparatory course	MATH 20C	CHEM 100A	CHEM 108	
requirements prior to transferring to UCSD.	PHYS 2C or 2D	MATH 11 or 20D	BIOCHEM Elective	
	PHYS 2BL or 2CL or 2DL	GE	GE	
	FOURTH YEAR - 2 ND YEAR TRANSFER			
	CHEM 126A	CHEM 126B	CHEM Elective	
	BIOCHEM Elective	CHEM 109	BIOCHEM Elective	
	BILD 1	BILD 2	GE	
	GE	GE	GE	

This plan assumes completion of **ALL** lower division requirements prior to transferring to UCSD.

FALL	WINTER	SPRING			
THIRD YEAR – 1 ST YEAR TRASNFER					
CHEM 130	CHEM 131	CHEM 132			
CHEM 120A	CHEM 120B	CHEM 143B			
GE	CHEM 100A	CHEM Elective			
GE	GE	GE			
FOUF	FOURTH YEAR - 2 ND YEAR TRANSFER				
CHEM 105A	CHEM Elective	CHEM Elective			
CHEM 114A	CHEM Elective Lab	CHEM Elective Lab			
GE	GE	GE			
GE	GE	GE			

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- We do not recommend taking a chemistry lab your first quarter at UCSD and taking more than one lab per quarter starting your second quarter.
- The plans above do not include GE/University requirements. Check in with your college advisor.
- A minimum 2.0 major GPA is required for graduation.
- No more than one (1) "D" grade is allowed in upper-division coursework.
- Many courses have enforced prerequisites or are offered once per year. It is your responsibility to know which prerequisites are needed for each course (course catalog).
- The quarter in which a course is offered is subject to change. Please check the department website (course offerings) each Spring quarter to see a projection of classes offered next AY.
- The best time to study abroad is Fall quarter of 2nd and/or 3rd year. Study Abroad program deadlines vary by country. Visit the Study Abroad office for assistance in planning to study abroad.