



# Course Specification

## (Bachelor)

**Course Title: Basics of Chemistry**

**Course Code: CHM 1106**

**Program: Bachelor of Science in Environment Science**

**Department: Biology**

**College: Science**

**Institution: Imam Mohammad Ibn Saud Islamic University**

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## A. General information about the course:

### 1. Course Identification

**1. Credit hours: 4 ( Lecture 2 +Lab 2+ Tutorial 2)**

#### 2. Course type

A. ☐ University ☐ College ☒ Department ☐ Track ☐ Others  
B. ☒ Required ☐ Elective

**3. Level/year at which this course is offered: (Level 2/ First Year)**

#### 4. Course General Description:

This course provides the students with the fundamental principles of chemistry, including the atomic and molecular structure of matter, and the changes it undergoes through chemical reactions. The course addresses important topics including quantum chemistry, chemical bonding, stoichiometry, kinetics, chemical equilibrium, thermochemistry and thermodynamics, molecular structure and function, electrochemistry, and the periodic chemical properties of the elements. State functions, energy, properties of solutions, states of matter, and properties of acids and bases are also among the course topics. The course emphasizes the classification of matter by its state and bonding behavior using the Periodic Table as a reference.

#### 5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any):

None

#### 6. Co-requisites for this course (if any):

None

#### 7. Course Main Objective(s):

The course aims to introduce the students to Chemistry, how it can be applied to describe substances and processes in nature and how this knowledge can be applied in scientific problem-solving. The course gives the student an understanding of the building blocks and properties of chemical substances, and how they are involved in different types of chemical reactions. The acquired course knowledge enables the students to compare and contrast the chemical behavior and physical properties of common substances and solve quantitative problems (stoichiometric) involving chemical formulas and equations.





## 2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	√	100%
2	E-learning	-	-
3	Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traditional classroom</li> <li>E-learning</li> </ul>	-	-
4	Distance learning	-	-

## 3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

No	Activity	Contact Hours
1.	Lectures	30
2.	Laboratory/Studio	30
3.	Field	0
4.	Tutorial	30
5.	Others (specify)	0
Total		90

## B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of PLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge and understanding			
1.1	Discuss the fundamentals of the current theories in the subfields of chemistry including inorganic, organic, and physical chemistry	K1	-Weekly- lectures -Demonstrations	-Assignments -Written Exams -Presentations -Data Search -Participations
1.2	Describe the properties of different substances and their reactivity patterns, chemical	K2	-Weekly- lectures -Demonstrations	-Assignments -Written Exams -Presentations -Data Search -Participations





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	bonds in molecules, and chemical equilibrium			
1.3	Clarify the rates of chemical reactions and how energy transfers in these reactions	K3	-Weekly- lectures -Demonstrations	-Assignments -Written Exams -Presentations -Data Search -Participations
1.4	Explain the electronic and molecular structures of common substances using the proper models.	K2, K3	-Weekly- lectures -Demonstrations	-Assignments -Written Exams -Presentations -Data Search -Participations
2.0	<b>Skills</b>			
2.1	Relate between the basic concepts of chemistry and the real-world applications to solve emerging problems	S1	--Weekly- lectures -Demonstrations -Group discussions	
2.1	Investigate the qualitative and quantitative relationships between matter and energy involved in chemical or physical processes.	S2	-Lab sessions Demonstrations -Group Discussions	-Lab reports -Presentations
2.2	Design and perform research experiments in chemistry by employing practical skills, methodologies, and convenient equipment.	S3	-Lab sessions Demonstrations -Group Discussions	-Lab reports -Presentations





Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of PLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
2.4	Interpret and evaluate the chemical data based on critical thinking, and analyze the data by applying the appropriate statistical methods	S2, S3	-Lab sessions Demonstrations -Group Discussions	-Lab reports -Presentations
3.0	Values, autonomy, and responsibility			
3.1	Show the ability to work independently and to collaborate effectively in a team	V1	-Lab sessions Demonstrations -Group Discussions	-Lab reports -Presentations
3.2	Demonstrate the ability to prepare organized and concise scientific data, and communicate information through written reports and oral presentations to varied audience	V2	-Lab sessions Demonstrations -Group Discussions	-Lab reports -Presentations
3.3	Adhere to the ethical rules while performing scientific activities in the field of chemistry	V3	-Group Discussions	-Reports -Presentations





## C. Course Content

No	List of Topics (Lectures)	Contact Hours
1.	<b>The Study of Change:</b> Science for the twenty-first century, the study of chemistry, the scientific method and hypothesis, a law and theory, matter and substance, mixture, physical means, elements and compounds, classification of matter, the three states of matter, Types of changes, Physical and chemical properties of matter, Extensive and Intensive properties, Measurement, handling numbers, Accuracy and precision.	8
2.	<b>Atoms, Molecules and Ions:</b> The structure of the atom, atomic number, Masse number, Isotopes, The periodic table, Molecules and ions, Formulas and models, Chemical formulas, molecular formula, empirical formula, Formula of Ionic compounds, Chemical nomenclature, Naming compounds, Organic chemistry.	6
3.	<b>Masse Relationships in chemical reactions (Stoichiometry):</b> The mole, Avogadro's number, Molar mass, Molecular mass, Formula mass, the mass spectrometer, Percent composition and empirical formula, Experimental determination of empirical formulas, Chemical reaction, Chemical equations, balancing chemical equations, amounts of reaction and reactants and products, Reaction Yield, Limiting reagents.	6
4.	<b>Reaction in aqueous solutions:</b> General proprieties of aqueous solutions, Solution, solute, solvent, An electrolyte and nonelectrolyte, Precipitation reactions, Solubility, Properties of acids, Properties of bases, Arrhenius acid and base, Brønsted acid and base, Neutralization reaction. Oxidation-reduction reactions, Oxidation number, Types of oxidation-reduction reactions, Solution Stoichiometry, Concentration, dilution, indicators, Equivalence point, Gravimetric analysis, Acid-base titrations, Redox titrations.	6
5.	<b>Gases:</b> Physical characteristics of gases, Units of pressure, Boyle's law, Charles' & Gay-Lussac's Law, Avogadro's law, and the gas laws. The ideal gas equation, Gas stoichiometry, Dalton's law of partial pressures.	4
Total		30



Exp	List of Topics (Lab)	Contact Hours
1.	Density of liquids & Density of regular and irregular solids.	4
2.	Stoichiometry: Mass-mass relationship.	4
3.	The chemical composition by mass percentage.	4
4.	Preparation of primary standard and dilution rule & titration.	4
5.	Strong acid-strong base titration.	4
6.	Vinegar Analysis, Mass %.	2
7.	Reactions in Aqueous Solutions & Precipitation reaction & Limiting reactant.	2
8.	Determination of the specific heat of metal.	2
9.	Revision.	4
Total		30

## D. Students Assessment Activities

No	Assessment Activities *	Assessment timing (in week no)	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1.	Midterm Exam 1	5 <sup>th</sup> week	15%
2.	Midterm Exam 2	10 <sup>th</sup> week	15%
3.	Quizzes, Attendance, Participation, Assignments	During the semester	10%
4.	Lab Exam	14 <sup>th</sup> week	20%
	Final Exam	16 <sup>th</sup> week	40%
	Total		100%

\*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.).

## E. Learning Resources and Facilities

### 1. References and Learning Resources

Essential References	<b>Analytical Chemistry</b> , Gary D. Christian, Purnendu K. (Sandy) Dasgupta, Kevin A. Schug. 7th Edition. ISBN: 978-0-470-88757-8.
Supportive References	<b>Fundamentals of analytical chemistry</b> , Douglas A. Skoog, Donald M. West, F. James Holler, Stanley R. Crouch, 9th Edition. ISBN-13: 978-0-495-55828-6.
Electronic Materials	-
Other Learning Materials	-







## 2. Required Facilities and Equipment

Items	Resources
<b>facilities</b> (Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.)	Classrooms, Laboratories
<b>Technology equipment</b> (projector, smart board, software)	Projector, Smartboard
<b>Other equipment</b> (depending on the nature of the specialty)	Equipment related to chemistry

## F. Assessment of Course Quality

Assessment Areas/Issues	Assessor	Assessment Methods
<b>Effectiveness of teaching</b>	Student	Direct
<b>Effectiveness of Students' assessment</b>	Program Leader	indirect
<b>Quality of learning resources</b>	Peer Reviewers	Indirect
<b>The extent to which CLOs have been achieved</b>	Program Leader	Indirect
Other		

**Assessors** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewers, Others (specify))

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

## G. Specification Approval

<b>COUNCIL /COMMITTEE</b>	COUNCIL OF CHEMISTRY
<b>REFERENCE NO.</b>	7
<b>DATE</b>	1446/03/29 هـ

