



Course Specification

(Bachelor)

Course Title: Polymers and Petrochemicals

Course Code: CHM 1428

Program: Bachelor of Science in Chemistry

Department: Chemistry

College: Science

Institution: Imam Mohammed Ibn Saud Islamic University

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A. General information about the course:

-1. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: 2 (2 Lectures, 0 Tutorials, 0 Lab)

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2. Course type

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

3. Level/year at which this course is offered: Level 7 / Year 4

4. Course general Description:

This course provides students with an introduction to Polymers Chemistry and Petrochemicals, methods of preparation, physical properties and application as well extended to Petrochemicals Process and Chemistry.

Topics covered in the course include An Introduction to Polymer Chemistry, main synthetic methods including mechanism of Polymer, Reactions of Polymers, Distillation, Application in Petroleum Chemistry and Petrochemical Process.

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

CHM1321 Heterocyclic Chemistry

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

None

7. Course Main Objective(s):

At the end of this course the student will be able to:

- Know the fundamentals of Polymer's Chemistry and Petrochemicals
- Understand the importance of the subject to pursue their career in academia or industry.
- Describe the physical properties of different polymers will be one of the outcome, and combination with industrial process.

2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	30	100%
2	E-learning	0	0
3	Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditional classroom • E-learning 	0	0
4	Distance learning	0	0



3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

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

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	List raw materials for petrochemicals.	K1; K2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lectures and Group Discussions ▪ A Private study including home exam. ▪ Lectures with group discussion. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quizzes • Discussion • Participation • Exams
1.2	Memorize information about various petrochemical processes and products.	K1; K2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Think, talk, and discuss about Petrochemical Process in Petrochemicals and industry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quizzes • Discussion • Exams
1.3	recognize the basic concepts of Polymer Chemistry.	K1; K3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lectures and Group Discussions ▪ A Private study including home exam. ▪ Lectures with group discussion. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quizzes ▪ Discussion ▪ Exams
1.4	outline Polymers types Chemically, physically and of Polymerization Process.	K1; K3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Think, talk and discuss about Polymers types, Polymerization and Reactions process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quizzes ▪ Home exam ▪ Oral discussions.

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of PLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
2.0	Skills			
2.1	Differentiate between petroleum and petrochemicals. Compare among different petrochemical products, i.e. properties and uses. To summarize the Polymerization Process according to their physical properties required. To demonstrate Oral Communication to outline Polymers types, Polymerization Process, and the Petrochemical Process in Petroleum Chemistry orally and mentally, with improving technical writing skills through writing of mini- Reports, with operating electronic mail and Network in communicating with others.	S2; S3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formal lectures Interactive lectures Problem-solving - Brainstorming Group discussions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questions in Lectures. Short Quizzes and Exams. Participation Oral Discussion,
2.2		S2; S3		
2.3		S1; S3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lectures and Group Discussion A Private study including home exam. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quizzes Discussion Participation
2.4		S2, S3, S4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lectures with group discussion. Think, talk and discuss about Polymers types, Polymerization and Reactions process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oral Discussion marks
3.0	Values, autonomy, and responsibility			
3.1	Demonstrate the ability to work both individually and in a work team to answer questions and solve problems in this course.	V1; V2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team-based learning Group discussions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework Presentation (Poster, PowerPoint or Review)



C. Course Content

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
1.	Primary Raw Materials for Petrochemicals	2
2.	Hydrocarbon & Nonhydrocarbon intermediates	4
3.	Chemicals Based on Methane, Ethylene, Propylene, butene and benzene	6
4.	An Introduction to Polymer Chemistry	2
5.	Step Polymerization (Condensation Polymerization)	4
6.	Radical Chain Polymerization	4
7.	Reactions of Polymers	4
8.	Synthetic Petroleum-Based Polymers.	4
Total		30

D. Students Assessment Activities

No	Assessment Activities *	Assessment timing (in week no)	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1.	Quizzes, Attendance, Participation, Home Exams	All the semester	20 %
2.	Midterm Exam 1	Around 6th & 7th week	20 %
3.	Midterm Exam 2	Around 11th & 12th week	20 %
4.	Final Exam	Around 16-17th week	40 %
5.	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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chemistry of PETROCHEMICAL PROCESSES, Sami Matar & Lewis F. Hatch, 2nd Edition, 2000 by Gulf Publishing Company, Houston, Texas. ISBN: 978-0-88415-315-3
Supportive References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Principles of Polymerization</i>, George Odian, John Wiley and sons Inc. Wiley Interscience, 4th Edition, 2004. ISBN 0-471-27400-3. <i>Textbook of Polymer Science</i>, Fred W. Billmeyer, Wiley-Interscience, 3rded, 1984, , ISBN: 978-0-471-03196-3





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Polymer Science and Technology, Joel R. Fried, Prentice-Hall , 2nd ed., 2003, ISBN-10: 0137039557
Electronic Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blackboard
Other Learning Materials	None

2. Required Facilities and equipment

Items	Resources
facilities (Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.)	Each of the classroom should be equipped with a whiteboard and a projector, with a maximum of 20 students.
Technology equipment (projector, smart board, software)	The rooms are equipped with data show, Smart Board, WI-FI access.
Other equipment (depending on the nature of the specialty)	None

F. Assessment of Course Quality

Assessment Areas/Issues	Assessor	Assessment Methods
Effectiveness of teaching	Students	Direct: Questionnaire.
	Course Responsible	Direct: Course e-Portfolio.
	Peer Reviewer	Indirect: Second examiner checklist-Course report.
Effectiveness of Students' assessment	Program Leaders	Direct: Questionnaire.
	Students	Indirect: External assessor report.
	Faculty (Academic Advisory)	Direct: Course e-Portfolio.
Quality of learning resources	Program Leaders	Indirect: Course report.
		Indirect: Second examiner checklist-Course report.
		Direct: course Entrance/Exit.
The extent to which CLOs have been achieved		Indirect: Observations - Accreditation review.
		Direct: Course e-Portfolio.
		Indirect: Course evaluation survey- Observations- Syllabus review- Accreditation review.
	Course Responsible	Direct: Exams - Course e-Portfolio.
		Indirect: Second examiner checklist-Course report.

Assessment Areas/Issues	Assessor	Assessment Methods
	Program Leaders	Indirect: Exams.

Assessors (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

G. Specification Approval

COUNCIL /COMMITTEE	COUNCIL OF DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY
REFERENCE NO.	7 (NO. 2/3)
DATE	29/3/1446 - 2/10/2024

