

Chemistry

A Level

Chemistry is the study of the properties of materials and the way that atoms can be combined. Without it, there could not have been any new drug development, dyes, plastics, computers or spacecraft. This qualification is highly valued and develops transferable skills which are valued by all employers, meaning your future doesn't have to be in a laboratory.

Year 1

Module 1: Development of Practical Skills.

Module 2: Foundations in Chemistry.

Module 3: Periodic Table and Energy.

Module 4: Core Organic Chemistry.

Year 2

Modules 1 to 4 and;

Module 5: Physical Chemistry and Transition Elements.

Module 6: Organic Chemistry and Analysis.

How will I learn?

Practical work; seminars; discussion; independent research; self and peer assessment; presentations; display work; independent investigations.

Where can I go after the course?

Careers: Analytical Chemist; Chemical Engineer; Clinical Biochemist; Forensic Scientist; Pharmacologist; Research Scientist; Toxicologist; Finance; Business Management.

Further Education: Chemistry with Medicinal Chemistry; Chemistry with Forensic Science and Toxicology; Chemistry with Pharmacology.

Entry Requirements

Standard 6th Form entry requirements.

Students should preferably have a grade 6 (or above) in the associated single science. Students who have a GCSE Combined Science qualification should have a grade 66 (or above).

Assessment at the end of Year 2

Paper 1: 2 hrs 15 mins 100 marks (37%)

Paper 2: 2 hrs 15 mins 100 marks (37%)

Paper 3: 1 hr 30 mins 70 marks (26%)

Papers 1 and 2 have 15 marks multiple choice and 85 marks structured written questions.

Exam Board

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