

# 2013-2014 Graduate Calendar

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The university encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, visible minorities, persons with disabilities, and members of other under-represented groups.

# Introduction

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## Address for University Communication

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Depending on the nature and timing of the communication, the University may use one of these addresses to communicate with students. Students are, therefore, responsible for checking all of the following on a regular basis:

### Email Address

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The University issued email address is considered an official means of communication with the student and will be used for correspondence from the University. Students are responsible for monitoring their University-issued email account regularly.

### Home Address

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Students are responsible for maintaining a current mailing address with the University. Address changes can be made, in writing, through the Office of Graduate Studies.

## Name Changes

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The University of Guelph is committed to the integrity of its student records, therefore, each student is required to provide either on application for admission or on personal data forms required for registration, his/her complete, legal name. Any requests to change a name, by means of alteration, deletion, substitution or addition, must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation.

## Student Confidentiality and Release of Student Information Policy Excerpt

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The University undertakes to protect the privacy of each student and the confidentiality of his or her record. To this end the University shall refuse to disclose personal information to any person other than the individual to whom the information relates where disclosure would constitute an unjustified invasion of the personal privacy of that person or of any other individual. All members of the University community must respect the confidential nature of the student information which they acquire in the course of their work.

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## Chemistry

The Guelph-Waterloo Centre for Graduate Work in Chemistry and Biochemistry combines the Department of Chemistry at the University of Waterloo and the Department of Chemistry at the University of Guelph into a comprehensive and all-inclusive school of graduate chemistry and biochemistry. The members of the centre conduct research in virtually all areas of modern chemistry and biochemistry.

Professional personnel in the centre comprise those faculty members of the two departments who have been appointed as PhD advisors and have a record of recent research achievement. The centre is administered by the director and its affairs are guided by the co-ordinating committee, which consists of the director, the two departmental chairs, the two departmental graduate coordinators, two elected centre members from each campus, and one elected representative of the graduate student body from each campus. The regulations applying to graduate study in the centre meet the requirements of the graduate councils and the Senates of the two universities.

The fields of research in which theses can be written normally fall within the categories of analytical, inorganic, nanoscience, organic, physical, theoretical (also chemical physics) and polymer chemistry, and biological chemistry or biochemistry. The category chosen will normally be referred to as the candidate's major. However, if a suitable topic is chosen, a candidate may pursue research which involves more than one of the categories listed above. Certain course requirements must be fulfilled both for the MSc and for the PhD. These courses are chosen in consultation with the candidate's advisory committee and the graduate officers of the centre.

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### **MSc Program**

#### **Admission Requirements**

Applicants whose first language is not English are required to submit evidence of proficiency in the English language or pass the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

#### **MSc Program**

An applicant is encouraged to apply for admission to the MSc program if he/she has an honours bachelor of science degree, or the equivalent, with a minimum standing of 75% in the last two years.

#### **MSc Co-operative Option**

An applicant is encouraged to apply for admission to the MSc co-operative option if he/she has an honours bachelor of science degree, or the equivalent, with a minimum standing of 75% in the last two years from an accredited university. The co-op MSc option is not available to students who have completed a co-op program as undergraduates. These students are, however, eligible for admission to the co-op PhD program.

#### **Degree Requirements**

#### **MSc Program**

Students must successfully complete at least four semester-long graduate courses, one of which is MSc Seminar, CHEM\*7940, and submit and defend an acceptable thesis.

#### **MSc Co-operative Option**

The academic requirements are the same as in the regular MSc program, but at least two of the required four semester-long courses (including CHEM\*7940) must be completed during the first two semesters of study. The student will spend the following two semesters (eight months) working in an industrial or government laboratory, upon completion of which he/she must present an acceptable work report. After returning to campus, the student will complete his/her course work and research and prepare the MSc thesis.

#### **Part-Time Course-Based MSc Program**

Students who elect this option must successfully complete eight semester-long courses, including MSc Seminar, CHEM\*7940, and MSc Research Project, CHEM\*7970. This option is designed for students whose employment or family responsibilities allow free time for study only in the evenings.

### **PhD Program**

#### **Admission Requirements**

Applicants whose first language is not English are required to submit evidence of proficiency in the English language or pass the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

### **PhD Program**

An applicant is eligible for admission to the PhD program at the discretion of the director. In general, an applicant must possess the qualifications listed for the MSc program, together with a master of science degree comparable to those awarded by North American universities and suitable references from the institution at which the MSc degree was awarded. However, direct admission to the PhD program is available to applicants with an overall A standing in an Honours BSc degree.

A student who is registered in (GWC)2 as a master's candidate may be permitted under certain circumstances to transfer to a PhD degree without writing an MSc thesis. The following guidelines are used in deciding whether a student will be recommended to the appropriate university authorities to transfer directly to the PhD program.

- The request must be initiated by the student no later than the end of the third semester in the MSc program. Transfers will be made no later than the fourth semester.
- The applicant should have a superior academic record at both the undergraduate and graduate level, with a first class standing and above average performance in a minimum of two graduate courses and MSc Seminar, CHEM\*7940.
- The applicant must have demonstrated an oral and written communication ability appropriate for a PhD-level student, and there must be clear evidence of research productivity and promise.
- The request for direct transfer should be accompanied by supporting documentation from the advisor, the advisory committee, and another faculty member familiar with the student's research record.

#### **PhD Co-operative Option**

A student is encouraged to apply to the PhD co-operative option if he/she has an honours bachelor of science degree, or the equivalent, with a minimum overall A standing.

#### **Degree Requirements**

#### **PhD Program**

Students in the PhD program must successfully complete three semester-long courses beyond those required for the master of science degree. One of these courses will be PhD Seminar, CHEM\*7950. Students must also pass an oral qualifying examination in their major field, and submit and defend an acceptable thesis.

Students admitted directly to the PhD program from a BSc must successfully complete one semester-long course beyond those required for the master of science degree. In addition, students must also complete CHEM\*7950 (PhD Seminar), pass an oral qualifying examination in their major field, and submit and defend an acceptable thesis.

#### **PhD Co-operative Option**

Students registered in the PhD program may proceed to that degree under the co-operative option. Under this option one of the two required one-term courses, in addition to CHEM\*7950 must be completed within the first two academic semesters of study in the centre. After successful completion of these two semesters of course work, the candidate will spend three semesters (one year) working in an industrial or government laboratory. On completion of the work year, a student will be required to submit a work report which will be evaluated by the centre and the career services unit at the student's home campus. Following successful completion of the work year, the student will return to the centre to continue work on a PhD research project and complete the regular PhD requirements.

### **Collaborative Programs**

#### **Toxicology MSc/PhD**

The Department of Chemistry participates in the MSc/PhD program in toxicology. Please consult the Toxicology listing for a detailed description of the MSc/PhD collaborative program. Students choosing this option must meet the requirements of the toxicology collaborative program, as well as those of (GWC)2 for their particular degree program. Three toxicology courses must be completed including Advanced Topics in Toxicology, TOX\*6200, and a research project must be conducted with a participating faculty member at the University of Guelph.

### **Courses**

Except where specified, courses in the following list may be offered in any semester subject to student demand and the availability of an instructor.

All courses are given an eight character code with the sixth having the following significance: 1 (inorganic), 2 (analytical), 3 (biochemistry), 4 (theoretical), 5 (physical), 6 (organic), and 7 (polymer).

#### **Inorganic**

<b>CHEM*7100 Selected Topics in Inorganic Chemistry U [0.50]</b>
Discussion of specialized topics related to the research interests of members of the centre. Special topics could include, for example: bioinorganic chemistry; inorganic reaction mechanisms; synthetic methods in inorganic and organometallic chemistry; homogeneous and heterogeneous catalysis; chemistry of polynuclear compounds.
<b>CHEM*7120 X-ray Crystallography U [0.50]</b>
Introduction: crystals, basic concepts; space groups: the reciprocal lattice; x-ray diffraction; the phase problem; structure factors; electron density; small molecule structure solution, structure refinement, structure results, journals and databases, paper writing.

**CHEM\*7130 Chemistry of Inorganic Solid State Materials U [0.50]**

Introduction to solid state chemistry, common crystal structures, principles of solid state synthesis, theory and experimental methods for characterizing solids, including thermal analysis techniques, powder x-ray and neutron diffraction methods; special topics to include one or more of the optical, electronic, magnetic, or conductive properties of inorganic materials. Prerequisites: one semester-long undergraduate course (at least third-year level) in inorganic chemistry, preferably with content in structural and/or solid state.

**CHEM\*7150 Structure and Bonding in Inorganic Chemistry U [0.50]**

Free electron, Hückel and extended Hückel methods for molecules and clusters. Perturbation theory. Applications of group theory in inorganic chemistry; Jahn-Teller effects in molecules and solids. Energy bands in one, two and three dimensions. Prerequisites: three semester-long undergraduate courses in inorganic chemistry and one semester-long undergraduate course in quantum mechanics or group theory.

**CHEM\*7170 Advanced Transition Metal Chemistry U [0.50]**

Magnetochemistry of transition metal compounds. Electronic spectra of complex ions including applications of molecular orbital and ligand field theories. Stabilization of unusual oxidation states and co-ordination numbers. Bonding, structure and reactivity of certain important classes of metal complexes, e.g., metal hydrides, metal-metal bonded species, biologically significant model systems such as macrocycles.

**CHEM\*7180 Advanced Organometallic Chemistry U [0.50]**

Reactions, structure and bonding of organometallic compounds of transition and non-transition metals.

**Analytical****CHEM\*7200 Selected Topics in Analytical Chemistry U [0.50]**

Special topics could include, for example: trace analysis using modern instrumental and spectroscopic methods; advanced mass spectrometry (instrumentation and interpretation of spectra); analytical aspects of gas and liquid chromatography.

**CHEM\*7240 Chemical Instrumentation U [0.50]**

Instrumental components and optimum application; rudiments of design; electrical, spectral, migrational and other methods.

**CHEM\*7260 Topics in Analytical Spectroscopy U [0.50]**

Atomic emission and absorption spectroscopy; methods of excitation and detection; quantitative applications. Molecular electronic spectroscopy, UV, visible and Raman; instrumental characteristics; applications to quantitative determinations, speciation, measurements of equilibrium, etc. Sources and control of errors and interferences. Determination and description of colour.

**CHEM\*7270 Separations U [0.50]**

Material to be covered is drawn from the following topics: diffusion; isolation of organic material from the matrix; chromatographic techniques - principles of chromatographic separation, gas (GLC, GSC), liquid (LLC, LSC, GPC, IEC), supercritical fluid (SFC) chromatographies; GC-MS, CG-FTIR; electrophoresis, flow field fractionation. Prerequisites: undergraduate level course in instrumental analysis.

**CHEM\*7280 Electroanalytical Chemistry U [0.50]**

A study of electroanalytical techniques and their role in modern analytical chemistry. The underlying principles are developed. Techniques include chronamperometry, chronocoulometry, polarography, voltammetry, chronopotentiometry, coulometric titrations, flow techniques, electrochemical sensors and chemically modified electrodes.

**CHEM\*7290 Surface Analysis U [0.50]****Biochemistry****CHEM\*7300 Proteins and Nucleic Acids U [0.50]**

Determination of protein sequence and 3-dimensional structure, protein anatomy; prediction of protein structure; intermolecular interactions and protein-protein association; effects of mutation. Nucleic acid structure and anatomy; DNA and chromatin structure; RNA structure; snRNPs and ribozymes; protein-nucleic acid interactions.

**CHEM\*7310 Selected Topics in Biochemistry U [0.50]**

Discussion of specialized topics related to the research interests of members of the centre: for example, recent offerings have included peptide and protein chemistry, biochemical toxicology, medical aspects of biochemistry, glycolipids and glycoproteins, redox enzymes, biological applications of magnetic resonance, etc. Department of Chemistry

**CHEM\*7360 Regulation in Biological Systems U [0.50]**

Mechanisms of regulation of metabolism - enzyme clusters; phosphorylation and protein kinases/phosphatases, repression and induction, protein turnover. Regulation of transcription, translation and mRNA processing. Cell cycle and control of cell division.

**CHEM\*7370 Enzymes U [0.50]**

Mechanisms of rate enhancement. Enzyme kinetics - steady state; inhibitors; bisubstrate enzymes; fast reaction kinetics. Enzyme reaction mechanisms. Structural and genetic modification of enzymes. Catalytic antibodies. Binding processes. Multiple sites and co-operativity. Allosteric enzymes and metabolic control. Catalysis by RNA.

**CHEM\*7380 Cell Membranes and Cell Surfaces U [0.50]**

Membrane proteins and lipids - structure and function; dynamics; techniques for their study; model membrane systems. Membrane transport. The cytoskeleton. Membrane protein biogenesis, sorting and targeting. Signal transduction across membranes. The cell surface in immune responses.

**Physical/Theoretical****CHEM\*7400 Selected Topics in Theoretical Chemistry U [0.50]**

Discussion of specialized topics related to the research interests of the members of the centre. Special topics could include for example: theory of intermolecular forces; density matrices; configuration interaction; correlation energies of open and closed shell systems; kinetic theory and gas transport properties; theory of the chemical bond.

**CHEM\*7450 Statistical Mechanics U [0.50]**

Review of classical and quantum mechanics; principles of statistical mechanics; applications to systems of interacting molecules; imperfect gases, liquids, solids, surfaces and solutions.

**CHEM\*7460 Quantum Chemistry U [0.50]**

Approximate solutions of the Schrodinger equation and calculations of atomic and molecular properties.

**CHEM\*7500 Selected Topics in Physical Chemistry U [0.50]**

Discussion of specialized topics related to the research interests of the members of the centre. Special topics could include for example: principles of magnetic resonance in biological systems; collisions, spectroscopy and intermolecular forces, surface chemistry; catalysis; electrolyte theory; non-electrolyte solution theory, thermodynamics of biological systems; thermodynamics.

**CHEM\*7550 Kinetics - Dynamics U [0.50]**

Empirical analysis. Kinetic theory of gases. Potential energy surfaces. Unimolecular rates. Relaxation and steady state methods. Diffusion rates. Rates between polar molecules. Energy transfer.

**CHEM\*7560 Spectroscopy U [0.50]**

Aspects of electronic vibrational and rotational spectroscopy of atoms, molecules, and the solid state. Relevant aspects of quantum mechanics, Dirac notation, and angular momentum will be discussed. Group Theory will be presented and its implications for spectroscopy introduced. Prerequisites: one semester-long undergraduate course in quantum mechanics or the approval of the instructor.

**Organic****CHEM\*7600 Selected Topics in Organic Chemistry U [0.50]**

Two or three topics from a range including: bio-organic chemistry; environmental organic chemistry; free radicals; heterocyclic molecules; molecular rearrangements; organometallic chemistry; photochemistry; natural products. Department of Chemistry

**CHEM\*7640 Synthetic Organic Reactions U [0.50]**

Named organic reactions and other synthetically useful reactions are discussed. The mechanism, stereochemical implications and use in organic synthesis of these reactions will be presented. Examples from the organic literature will be used to illustrate these aspects.

**CHEM\*7650 Strategies in Organic Synthesis U [0.50]**

The synthesis of organic compounds is discussed and emphasis is placed on the design of synthetic routes. Examples drawn from the literature are used to illustrate this synthetic planning.

*Prerequisite(s):* CHEM\*7640

**CHEM\*7660 Organic Spectroscopy U [0.50]**

Ultraviolet, infrared, resonance spectroscopy and mass spectrometry, with emphasis on applications to studies of organic molecules.

**CHEM\*7690 Physical Organic Chemistry U [0.50]**

Linear free energy relationships; substituent effects and reactive intermediates.

## Polymer

### CHEM\*7700 Principles of Polymer Science U [0.50]

Introduction to the physical chemistry of high polymers, principles of polymer synthesis, mechanisms and kinetics of polymerization reactions, copolymerization theory, polymerization in homogeneous and heterogeneous systems, chemical reactions of polymers. Theory and experimental methods for the molecular characterization of polymers.

### CHEM\*7710 Physical Properties of Polymers U [0.50]

The physical properties of polymers are considered in depth from a molecular viewpoint. Rubber elasticity, mechanical properties, rheology and solution behaviour are quantitatively treated.

*Prerequisite(s):* CHEM\*7700 or equivalent

### CHEM\*7720 Polymerization and Polymer Reactions U [0.50]

The reactions leading to the production of polymers are considered with emphasis on emulsion and suspension polymerization and polymerization reaction engineering. Polymer degradation, stabilization and modification reactions are also considered in depth.

*Prerequisite(s):* CHEM\*7700 or equivalent.

### CHEM\*7730 Selected Topics in Polymer Chemistry U [0.50]

Discussion of specialized topics of polymer chemistry related to the research interests of the faculty or prominent scientific visitors. Special topics could include, for example: polymer stabilization and degradation; mechanical properties; polymer principles in surface coatings; organic chemistry of synthetic high polymers; estimation of polymer properties; reactions of polymers; polymerization kinetics.

## Research

### CHEM\*7940 MSc Seminar U [0.50]

A written literature review and research proposal on the research topic will be presented and defended in a 30-minute public seminar. This requirement is to be completed by all thesis-option MSc students within two semesters of entering the program.

### CHEM\*7950 PhD Seminar U [0.00]

### CHEM\*7970 MSc Research Paper U [0.50]

An experimental project normally based on the CHEM\*7940 research proposal, supervised by the advisor, taking three to four months to complete. This project may be completed at any time during the student's program, but it must follow CHEM\*7940. A written report is required, and a seminar based on the content of the report will be presented. The report must be completed as per the project/thesis guidelines of the University campus on which the student is registered. This course normally will follow the course CHEM\*7940 MSc Seminar.

### CHEM\*7980 MSc Thesis U [0.00]

### CHEM\*7990 PhD Thesis U [0.00]