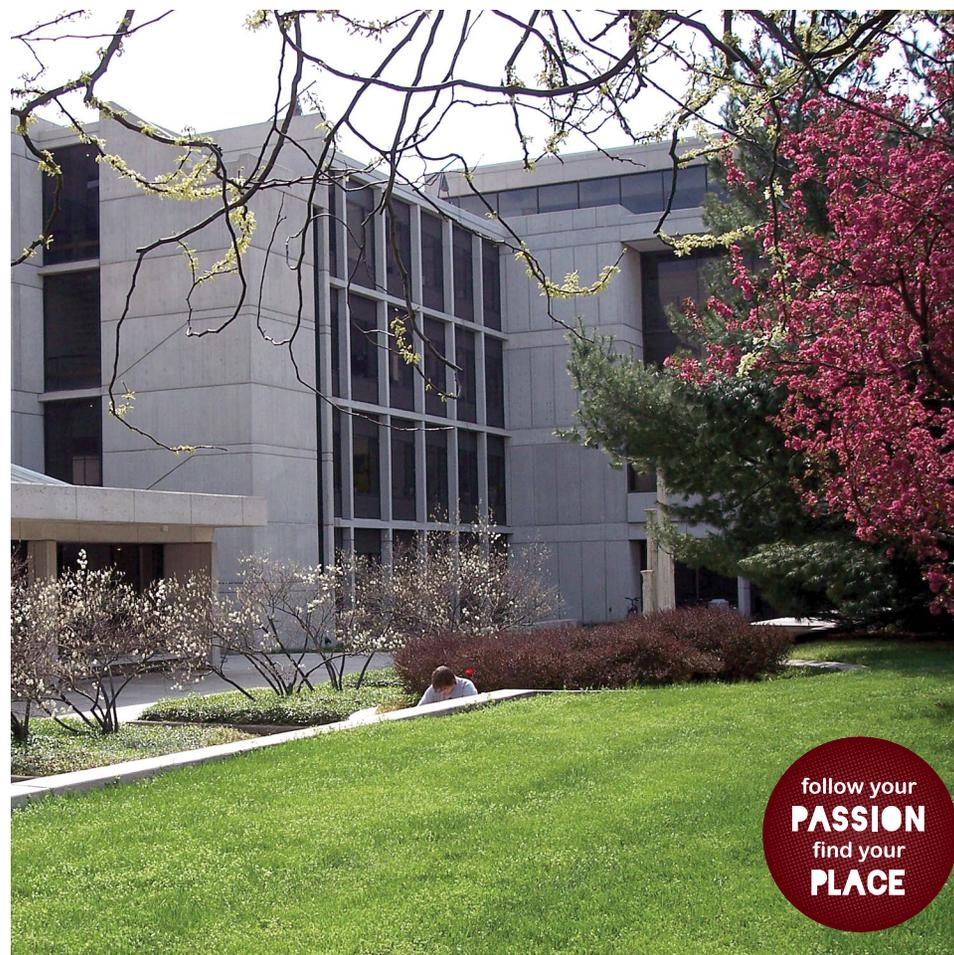


Two-Year Schedule Template

Fall - 1st Year	Hours
CHM 6xx 600-level elective	3
CHM 6xx 600-level elective	3
CHM 701 Chemistry Seminar*	1
CHM 798 Research	2
Total Hours	9
Spring - 1st Year	Hours
CHM 6xx 600-level elective	3
CHM 6xx 600-level elective	3
CHM 700 Chemistry Colloquium	1
CHM 798 Research	2
Total Hours	9
Summer - 1st Year	Hours
CHM 798 Research	2
CHM 799 Thesis	1
Total Hours	3
Fall - 2nd Year	Hours
CHM 700-level 3 hour elective	3
CHM 700 Chemistry Seminar*	1
CHM 799 Thesis	2
Total Hours	6
Spring - 2nd Year	Hours
CHM 700-level 3 hour elective	3
CHM 700 Chemistry Colloquium	1
CHM 799 Thesis	3
Total Hours	7
600 level credit	12
700 level credit*	20
Total Hours	32
*CHM 701 is pass/fail and does not count towards 32-hour requirement.	

Sample Schedule

Fall - 1st Year	Hours
CHM 642 Adv. Organic Chem.	3
CHM 606 Physical Chemistry	3
CHM 701 Chemistry Seminar*	1
CHM 798 Research	2
Total Hours	9
Spring - 1st Year	Hours
CHM 675 Adv. Inorganic Chem.	3
CHM 652 Biochemistry II	3
CHM 700 Chemistry Colloquium	1
CHM 798 Research	2
Total Hours	9
Summer - 1st Year	Hours
CHM 798 Research	2
CHM 799 Thesis	1
Total Hours	3
Fall - 2nd Year	Hours
CHM 760 Chem. of Environ. Sys.	3
CHM 700 Chemistry Seminar*	1
CHM 799 Thesis	2
Total Hours	6
Spring - 2nd Year	Hours
CHM 702 Adv. Topics in Chem.	3
CHM 700 Chemistry Colloquium	1
CHM 799 Thesis	3
Total Hours	7
600 level credit	12
700 level credit*	20
Total Hours	32
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What's in it for me?

- Median starting salary for MS: \$51,000; median starting salary for BS: \$38,000
- Financial assistance--eligibility for a graduate assistantship (tuition waiver + stipend)
- Teaching opportunities
- Focused and specific research in modern analytical, biochemistry, environmental, inorganic, organic and physical chemistry fields
- Networking opportunities
- Ph.D. program preparation/ opportunities

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1. A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution in the U.S. or equivalent training at an international university.
2. A minimum overall GPA of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale, or a minimum
3. GPA of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale for the last 60 hours of course work.
4. Scores from the verbal and quantitative sections of the Graduate Record Examination. Normally, students are expected to score at or above the 50th percentile on each section of the GRE.
5. International applicants are also required to submit a score for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) of not less than 550 on the paper-based exam or a comparable score of 213 on the computer-based exam or 79 on the internet-based exam, with a minimum of 50th percentile on the Listening Comprehension Section.
6. A minimum undergraduate background in chemistry of two semesters each of general and organic chemistry, and one semester each of analytical chemistry and inorganic chemistry.

Graduation Requirements

A candidate must complete a minimum of 32 hours of graduate credit (including research and thesis) with at least a 3.0 graduate GPA. Each M.S. candidate must successfully complete and defend a thesis based on an approved chemical research topic and pass a written comprehensive examination. With approval of the student's advisory committee, a maximum of eight hours may be selected from related fields, and up to eight graduate chemistry hours may be transferred from another institution. A full-time student will normally complete requirements within two calendar years.

Alumni Accomplishments



Dr. Timothy Hopkins, former MS graduate, said "the graduate program in Chemistry at MSU was ideal because it was small enough to allow me to obtain hands-on training

by a PhD chemist. Doing research with Dr. Reza Herati was a life-changing experience, which led to my obtaining a PhD in chemistry from the University of Florida." Dr. Hopkins has been with DuPont since 2004, and is presently a Manufacturing Technology Group Leader and Project Leader at the Chambers Works site.

Scott Workman is a Criminalist at the Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop D Crime Lab in Springfield, MO. He had the following to say, "The deeper understanding of chemistry in general that I developed while in graduate school, as well as the laboratory experience I received during my thesis work, were essential parts of developing my interview skills as well as my ability to perform the occupation into which I was hired. I would suggest the program at MSU to anyone interested in graduate school."

