

Faculty	Natural sciences
Home Department	Chemistry
Module Topic	General Chemistry
Generic Module Name	Chemistry 124
Alpha-numeric Code	CHE124
NQF Level	5
NQF Credit Value	15
Duration	Semester
Proposed semester to be offered	Second Semester
Programmes in which the module will be offered	BSc (Chemical Sciences) (3019,3220); BPharm (3305); BSc (Applied Geology) (3011, 3214); BSc (Physical Sciences) (3120,3233)
Year level	1
Main Outcomes	<p>On completion of this module students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply the following chemical concepts and principles to qualitatively engage with real-world phenomena or examples: the accepted language and conventions for naming simple compounds and communicating about their chemical properties and behaviour; the forces acting between particles in matter that influence properties and behaviour; the factors that influence chemical stability; the forces that drive chemical change; and the factors that control the rate at which chemical change takes place. • Solve quantitative chemistry problems, both in familiar and novel contexts. • Conduct simple scientific investigations, including the collection, handling and interpretation of experimental data. • Conduct research using the library, the web and other sources of information. • Reference sources of information correctly. • Use the internet and computer-based word-processing, spreadsheet, and presentation software to complete tasks. • Begin to recognise the relationship of chemistry to society, technology and the environment. • Begin to develop life-long learning capabilities and to see learning about chemistry in a wider context. • Present clear, well-structured arguments using the content of this module to describe and explain the properties and behaviour of matter. • Work productively in co-operative learning groups.
Main Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermolecular forces, liquids and solids • Solutions and their behaviour • Chemical kinetics: The rates of chemical reactions • Principles of reactivity: chemical equilibria, aqueous equilibria, including acid-base and solubility equilibria, and electron transfer reactions • Introductory concepts in Organic Chemistry, including nomenclature, physical properties, and representation of structure of: alkanes, alkenes, alkynes, alkyl halides, alcohols, aldehydes and ketones, and carboxylic acids and their derivatives

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An introduction to reactivity with reference to substitution, addition, elimination and oxidation of organic substrates. • An introduction to isomerism with reference to geometric, cis-trans, E,Z and R,S isomers/enantiomers. • An introduction to stability with reference to ring strain, and the relative stabilities of alkenes and carbonium ions. 			
Pre-requisite modules	None			
Co-requisite modules	None			
Prohibited module Combination	None			
Breakdown of Learning Time	Hours	Timetable Requirement per week		Other teaching modes that does not require time-table
<i>Contact with lecturer / tutor:</i>	50	<i>Lectures p.w.</i>	3	
<i>Assignments & tasks:</i>	10	<i>Practicals p.w.</i>	1	
<i>Practicals:</i>	30	<i>Tutorials p.w.</i>	1	
<i>Tutorials:</i>	0			
<i>Tests & Examinations:</i>	15			
<i>Selfstudy:</i>	45			
<i>Other:</i>	0			
Total Learning Time	150			
Methods of Student Assessment	Continuous Assessment (CA): 60%			
	Final Assessment (FA): 40%			
Assessment Module type	Continuous and Final Assessment (CFA)			