

# MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

January 15, 2018

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. R. Sekhar Chivukula, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and Dean of Undergraduate Studies

FROM: Dr. John Gaboury, Associate Provost for Academic Services, Enrollment Management, and Academic Initiatives

RE: Request to Phase Out and Discontinue the Bachelor of Science Degree in Computational Chemistry

For Transmittal to the University Committee on Undergraduate Education (UCUE)

The request referenced above is being sent to you for action by the University Committee on Undergraduate Education (UCUE).

### UCUE Response Requested:

Please ask the University Committee on Undergraduate Education (UCUE) to consider the request referenced above. Please mail the related materials referenced under the heading Attachments at the end of this memorandum to the committee members.

After receiving UCUE's consultative response, the Provost will make a determination to discontinue/not discontinue this program. Then, the program's curriculum and degree requirements referenced above will be included on the agenda for the April 17, 2018 meeting of Subcommittee A, University Committee on Curriculum (UCC). Requests that are approved by Subcommittee A on April 17 will be before the Full Committee, UCC, for action on April 26, 2018. Requests that are approved by the Full Committee on April 26 will be included in the September, 2018, Report of the UCC to the Faculty Senate.

If you have any questions about this memorandum or the attached materials, please contact Joy Speas, University Curriculum Administrator, at 5-8420.

Thank you.  
Attachments:

1. Request for Discontinuation form dated December 12, 2017; Bachelor of Science Degree in Computational Chemistry and attachments.
2. Student Enrollments by Program; Student Awards by Programs (for the request referenced above).

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## **COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCE**

1. **Request to delete the curriculum and degree requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree in Computational Chemistry in the Department of Chemistry. The University Committee on Undergraduate Education (UCUE) will provide consultative commentary to the Provost after considering this request. The Provost will make a determination after considering the consultative commentary from the University Committee on Undergraduate Education.**

**No new students are to be admitted to the program effective Summer 2013. No students are to be readmitted to the program effective Summer 2018. Effective Spring 2021, coding for the program will be discontinued and the program will no longer be available in the Department of Chemistry. Students who have not met the requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree in Computational Chemistry through the Department of Chemistry prior to Spring 2021 will have to change their major.**

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<b>Program Name: Computational Chemistry</b> <b>Degree: BS      Sequence Number: 3</b>	<b>Program Request ID: 3517</b>
<b>Effective Dates: Spring 2021      Status: Interim      Initial Action: Deleted</b>	<b>Requested Date: 6/15/2017 10:18:50 AM</b>
<p><b>1. Department/School/College:</b> 32142 .... Department of Chemistry</p> <p><b>2. Name of Program:</b> Computational Chemistry</p> <p><b>3. Name of Degree:</b> BS</p> <p><b>4. Type of Program:</b></p> <p><b>5. Effective Start Semester:</b> Spring 2021</p> <p><b>Effective End date:</b> Spring 2021</p> <p><b>Will the proposed change(s) have a negative impact on students? If so, which ones?:</b> None. There was one additional major in 2013 and no majors for the past 10 years.</p> <p><b>Describe impact and explain what accommodations will be made:</b> n/a</p> <p><b>Reason(s) for change(s):</b> There have been no majors in the degree for the past 10 years.</p>	
<p><b>DEPARTMENT LEVEL APPROVAL STATUS</b></p> <p>Approved: Department of Chemistry 10/24/2017 8:09:32 AM by Lynmarie Posey for Robert E. Maleczka, Chairperson</p>	

**COLLEGE LEVEL APPROVAL STATUS**

Approved: College of Natural Science  
12/12/2017 8:58:59 AM by Shelby Gombosi for Gerard Mark Voit, Associate Dean

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## Enrollments and Awards By Program Natural Science

Program - Description	Span		FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	Total	10 yr Diff.	
3578 - Chemistry - Second Degree	FQ68-	Enrollments	16	15	11	12	16	17	12	13	6	6	124	-10	
		Awards	2	6	5	3	2	2	2	4	3	0	29	-2	
		%	13%	40%	45%	25%	13%	12%	17%	31%	50%	0%	23%	-13%	
<b>BS - Bachelor of Science</b>															
3830 - Chemical Physics	FQ68-	Enrollments	7	6	10	10	8	10	7	6	6	8	78	1	
		Awards	2	1	1	3	4	1	1	1	1	0	15	-2	
		%	29%	17%	10%	30%	50%	10%	14%	17%	17%	0%	19%	-29%	
3832 - Chemical Physics - Second Degree	FQ68-	Enrollments	1	0	1	2	0	0	4	5	5	2	20	1	
		Awards	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0
		%	100%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	20%	50%	20%	-50%
3579 - Chemistry	FQ68-	Enrollments	158	152	170	160	168	179	183	208	211	233	1,822	75	
		Awards	17	19	21	18	22	26	17	28	21	29	218	12	
		%	11%	13%	12%	11%	13%	15%	9%	13%	10%	12%	12%	2%	
3580 - Chemistry - Second Degree	FQ68-	Enrollments	9	9	4	4	9	16	11	10	11	7	90	-2	
		Awards	1	0	1	0	1	1	3	1	2	1	11	0	
		%	11%	0%	25%	0%	11%	6%	27%	10%	18%	14%	12%	3%	
→ 3991 - Computational Chemistry	SS99-SS13	Enrollments	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	
3993 - Computational Chemistry - Second Degree	SS99-SS13	Enrollments	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	5	0	
		Awards	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
		%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	20%	0%
<b>DUAL - Dual Major</b>															
9808 - Chemistry	FQ68-	Enrollments	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
		Awards	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
		%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
<b>MJSE - Teaching Major Sec Endorsement</b>															
3585 - Chemistry	FQ68-	Enrollments	13	15	20	21	24	24	29	26	13	9	194	-4	

Fiscal Year (FY) counts are distinct student counts within the Summer, Fall, and Spring terms.  
e.g. FY07=distinct student count within Summer 06, Fall 06, and Spring 07.  
If a student changed majors within the FY, he/she is counted under both majors.

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## COMPUTATIONAL CHEMISTRY

### Bachelor of Science

The Bachelor of Science degree program with a major in computational chemistry is designed to provide a thorough foundation in the various fields of chemistry and the related sciences, as well as a proper educational balance in the liberal arts. In addition, it provides a means for chemistry majors with an interest in the application of computers and computing in chemistry to obtain expertise in computer fundamentals. The program is for students planning careers in the chemical industries or in governmental laboratories and for those planning graduate study in chemistry.

### Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree in Computational Chemistry

1. The University requirements for bachelor's degrees as described in the *Undergraduate Education* section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree in Computational Chemistry.

The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Computational Chemistry major is met by completing Chemistry 355, 395, 435, and 481. Those courses are referenced in items 3. b. (3) and 3. b. (4) below.

Students who are enrolled in the College of Natural Science may complete the alternative track to Integrative Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences that is described in item 1. under the heading *Graduation Requirements* in the College statement. Certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be used to satisfy the alternative track.

2. The requirements of the College of Natural Science for the Bachelor of Science degree.

The credits earned in certain courses referenced in requirement 3. below may be counted toward College requirements as appropriate.

3. The following requirements for the major:

	CREDITS
a. The following courses outside the Department of Chemistry: . . . .	49 or 50
(1) One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits):	
BS 110 Organisms and Populations . . . . .	4
BS 111 Cells and Molecules . . . . .	3
ENT 205 Pests, Society and Environment . . . . .	3
MMG 205 Allied Health Microbiology . . . . .	3
PLB 105 Plant Biology . . . . .	3
PSL 250 Introductory Physiology . . . . .	4
ZOL 141 Introductory Human Genetics . . . . .	3
(2) All of the following courses (46 credits):	
CSE 231 Introduction to Programming I . . . . .	4
CSE 232 Introduction to Programming II . . . . .	4
CSE 260 Discrete Structures in Computer Science . . . . .	4
CSE 320 Computer Organization and Assembly Language Programming . . . . .	4
MTH 132 Calculus I . . . . .	3
MTH 133 Calculus II . . . . .	4
MTH 234 Multivariable Calculus . . . . .	4
MTH 235 Differential Equations . . . . .	3
MTH 314 Matrix Algebra with Applications . . . . .	3
MTH 451 Numerical Analysis I . . . . .	3
PHY 183 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I . . . . .	4
PHY 184 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II . . . . .	4
PHY 191 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, I . . . . .	1
PHY 192 Physics Laboratory for Scientists, II . . . . .	1
b. The following courses in the Department of Chemistry: . . . . .	46 or 47
(1) One of the following pairs of courses (7 or 8 credits):	
(a) CEM 151 General and Descriptive Chemistry . . . . .	4
CEM 152 Principles of Chemistry . . . . .	3
(b) CEM 181H Honors Chemistry I . . . . .	4
CEM 182H Honors Chemistry II . . . . .	4
(2) One of the following pairs of courses (4 credits):	
(a) CEM 162 Chemistry Laboratory II . . . . .	1
CEM 262 Quantitative Analysis . . . . .	3
(b) CEM 185H Honors Chemistry Laboratory I . . . . .	2
CEM 186H Honors Chemistry Laboratory II . . . . .	2
(3) All of the following courses (32 credits):	
CEM 351 Organic Chemistry I . . . . .	3
CEM 352 Organic Chemistry II . . . . .	3
CEM 355 Organic Laboratory I . . . . .	2
CEM 391 Molecular Thermodynamics . . . . .	3
CEM 392 Quantum Chemistry . . . . .	3
CEM 395 Analytical/Physical Laboratory . . . . .	2
CEM 411 Inorganic Chemistry . . . . .	4
CEM 415 Advanced Synthesis Laboratory . . . . .	3
CEM 434 Advanced Analytical Chemistry . . . . .	3
CEM 435 Analytical Chemistry Laboratory . . . . .	2
CEM 495 Molecular Spectroscopy . . . . .	2
(4) The following capstone course (3 credits):	
CEM 481 Seminar in Computational Chemistry . . . . .	3