



ROYAL SOCIETY
OF CHEMISTRY

ACCREDITED
DEGREE

The University of Hong Kong
Department of Chemistry

Intensive Chemistry Major Curriculum (144 credits)

(also called the RSC Accredited Chemistry Programme)

Like many other prestigious universities, HKU Chemistry has gained international recognition from the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) through accreditation of our Chemistry Curriculum. Our **Intensive Chemistry Major (144 credits)** underwent a rigorous process to be accredited by this global professional body.

Our Intensive Chemistry Major gained the RSC accreditation for the first time in 2015. We are the first university in Hong Kong to receive this recognition for a BSc Chemistry Programme. As the accreditation period is 5 years (plus one-year extension due to the situation caused by the pandemic), we just sought re-accreditation in 2021. **We are very proud that HKU Chemistry has passed a series of rigorous requirements again to have our Intensive Chemistry Major accredited. The Intensive Chemistry Major curriculum has been highly commended by the assessors for its high standard.**

This intensive Chemistry-Major Curriculum (144 credits ##) is built upon the regular Chemistry-Major curriculum (96 credits) by adding 48 more credits of courses to form a comprehensive coverage of different branches of chemistry. **The intensive chemistry curriculum is intended for students who wish to attain higher proficiency in Chemistry.** As a standard policy of the RSC, students must follow the agreed programme in full in order to graduate with this accredited programme. Upon completion of the programme, in addition to having “Major in Chemistry (Intensive)” marked in the hku official transcript, students will also be issued with a certificate by the Department of Chemistry, with authorization by RSC, to recognize their achievement.

Students and staff in this accredited programme will qualify for a range of benefits, including access to a series of webinars and an opportunity for students to apply for the International Student Research Bursary. They can also become RSC members at a reduced rate, which gives access to networks, publications, careers support and more. A graduate with RSC membership will have an advantage, not only when applying for further studies and jobs, but also when they are seeking professional qualifications, such as Chartered Chemist (CChem) status.

For details of this Intensive Chemistry Major Curriculum, please visit

<https://webapp.science.hku.hk/sr4/servlet/enquiry?Type=Major&Code=MajorInChemistryIntensive&AdmissionYear=2021>

For information about the Royal Society of Chemistry, please visit

<https://www.rsc.org/membership-and-community/>