

Chemical Engineering (BS): Biomanufacturing Sciences Concentration

To see more about what you will learn in this program, visit the Learning Outcomes website (<https://apps.oirp.ncsu.edu/pgas/>)!

The Biomanufacturing Sciences Concentration provides students with the knowledge base and hands-on skills that prepare them to quickly contribute to a biomanufacturing operation. Pharmaceuticals, vaccines, enzymes, and bio-fuels are example products. Students completing this concentration also fulfill the requirements for a Minor in Biomanufacturing.

Plan Requirements

First Year

Fall Semester		Hours
CH 101 or CH 103	Chemistry - A Molecular Science ¹ or General Chemistry I for Students in Chemical Sciences	3
CH 102 or CH 104	General Chemistry Laboratory ¹ or General Chemistry Laboratory I for Students in Chemical Sciences	1
E 101	Introduction to Engineering & Problem Solving ²	1
E 115	Introduction to Computing Environments	1
MA 141	Calculus I ¹	4
ENG 101	Academic Writing and Research ²	4
Hours		14

Spring Semester

CH 201 or CH 203	Chemistry - A Quantitative Science ² or General Chemistry II for Students in Chemical Sciences	3
CH 202 or CH 204	Quantitative Chemistry Laboratory ² or General Chemistry Laboratory II for Students in Chemical Sciences	1
MA 241	Calculus II	4
PY 205 & PY 206	Physics for Engineers and Scientists I and Physics for Engineers and Scientists I Laboratory ¹	4
Select one of the following Economics Courses:		3
ARE 201	Introduction to Agricultural & Resource Economics	
ARE 201A	Introduction to Agricultural & Resource Economics	
EC 201	Principles of Microeconomics	
EC 205	Fundamentals of Economics	
E 102	Engineering in the 21st Century	2
Hours		17

Second Year

Fall Semester

CH 221 or CH 225	Organic Chemistry I ² or Organic Chemistry I for Students in Chemical Sciences	3
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CH 222 or CH 226	Organic Chemistry I Lab ² or Organic Chemistry Laboratory I for Students in Chemical Sciences	1
CHE 205	Chemical Process Principles ²	4
MA 242	Calculus III ²	4
PY 208 & PY 209	Physics for Engineers and Scientists II and Physics for Engineers and Scientists II Laboratory	4
BEC 220	Introduction to Drug Development and Careers in Biomanufacturing	1

Hours 17

Spring Semester

CH 223 or CH 227	Organic Chemistry II or Organic Chemistry II for Students in Chemical Sciences	3
CH 224 or CH 228	Organic Chemistry II Lab or Organic Chemistry Laboratory II for Students in Chemical Sciences	1
CHE 225	Introduction to Chemical Engineering Analysis ²	3
MA 341	Applied Differential Equations I ²	3
BIO 183	Introductory Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology	4

Hours 14

Third Year

Fall Semester

CHE 311	Transport Processes I ²	3
CHE 315	Chemical Process Thermodynamics ²	3
BCH 451	Principles of Biochemistry	4
BEC 425	Molecular Biology for Biomanufacturing	2
BEC 463	Fermentation of Recombinant Microorganisms	2

Hours 14

Spring Semester

CHE 312	Transport Processes II	3
CHE 316	Thermodynamics of Chemical and Phase Equilibria	3
BBS 426	Upstream Biomanufacturing Laboratory	2
BEC 330	Principles and Applications of Bioseparations	2

Hours 10

Fourth Year

Fall Semester

CHE 395	Professional Development Seminar	1
CHE 446	Design and Analysis of Chemical Reactors	3
CHE 450	Chemical Engineering Design I	3
BEC 436	Introduction to Downstream Process Development	2
BEC 480 or BEC 485	cGMP Fermentation Operations or cGMP Downstream Operations	2

Hours 11

Spring Semester

CHE 448	Bioreactor Design	2
CHE 435	Process Systems Analysis and Control	3

CHE 451	Chemical Engineering Design II	3
	Biomanufacturing Elective (p. 2)	2
	Bioethics Elective (p. 2)	3
	Hours	13
	Total Hours	110

¹ A grade of C or higher is required.

² A grade of C- or higher is required.

Code	Title	Hours	Counts towards
GEP Courses			
	GEP Humanities (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-humanities/)	6	
	GEP Social Sciences (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-social-sciences/)	3	
	GEP Health and Exercise Studies (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-health-exercise-studies/)	2	
	GEP US Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-usdei/)	3	
	GEP Global Knowledge (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-global-knowledge/) (verify requirement)		
	Foreign Language Proficiency (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/foreign-language-proficiency/) (verify requirement)		
Free Electives			
	Free Electives (12 Hr S/U Lmt) ¹	3	
	Total Hours	17	

¹ Students should consult their academic advisors to determine which courses fill this requirement.

Biomanufacturing Electives

Code	Title	Hours	Counts towards
BEC 445	Cell Line Development for Biomanufacturing	2	
	or BEC 545 Cell Line Development for Biomanufacturing		
BEC 462	Fundamentals of Bio-Nanotechnology	3	

BEC 475	Global Regulatory Affairs for Medical Products	3
	or BEC 575 Global Regulatory Affairs for Medical Products	
BEC 480	cGMP Fermentation Operations	2
	or BEC 580 cGMP Fermentation Operations	
BEC 483	Tissue Engineering Technologies	2
	or BME 483 Tissue Engineering Technologies	
BEC 485	cGMP Downstream Operations	2
	or BEC 585 cGMP Downstream Operations	
BEC 488	Animal Cell Culture Engineering	2
BEC 497	Biomanufacturing Research Projects	1-3

Bioethics Electives

Code	Title	Hours	Counts towards
IDS 201	Environmental Ethics	3	
IDS 303	Humans and the Environment	3	
NR 303	Humans and the Environment	3	
PHI 325	Bio-Medical Ethics	3	
STS 302	Contemporary Science, Technology and Human Values	3	
STS 304	Ethical Dimensions of Progress	3	
STS 325	Bio-Medical Ethics	3	

Semester Sequence

This is a sample.

First Year		Hours
Fall Semester		
CH 101	Chemistry - A Molecular Science ¹	3
	or General Chemistry I for Students in Chemical Sciences	
CH 102	General Chemistry Laboratory ¹	1
	or General Chemistry Laboratory I for Students in Chemical Sciences	

E 101	Introduction to Engineering & Problem Solving ¹	1
E 115	Introduction to Computing Environments	1
ENG 101	Academic Writing and Research ¹	4
MA 141	Calculus I	4
GEP Health and Exercise Studies (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-health-exercise-studies/)		1
Hours		15
Spring Semester		
CH 201 or CH 203	Chemistry - A Quantitative Science ² or General Chemistry II for Students in Chemical Sciences	3
CH 202 or CH 204	Quantitative Chemistry Laboratory or General Chemistry Laboratory II for Students in Chemical Sciences	1
MA 241	Calculus II ¹	4
PY 205	Physics for Engineers and Scientists I ¹	3
PY 206	Physics for Engineers and Scientists I Laboratory ¹	1
E 102	Engineering in the 21st Century	2
GEP Health and Exercise Studies (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/gep-health-exercise-studies/)		1
Hours		15
Second Year		
Fall Semester		
BEC 220	Introduction to Drug Development and Careers in Biomufacturing	1
CH 221 or CH 225	Organic Chemistry I ² or Organic Chemistry I for Students in Chemical Sciences	3
CH 222 or CH 226	Organic Chemistry I Lab or Organic Chemistry Laboratory I for Students in Chemical Sciences	1
CHE 205	Chemical Process Principles	4
MA 242	Calculus III	4
PY 208	Physics for Engineers and Scientists II	3
PY 209	Physics for Engineers and Scientists II Laboratory	1
Hours		17
Spring Semester		
BIO 183	Introductory Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology	4
CH 223 or CH 227	Organic Chemistry II or Organic Chemistry II for Students in Chemical Sciences	3
CH 224 or CH 228	Organic Chemistry II Lab or Organic Chemistry Laboratory II for Students in Chemical Sciences	1
CHE 225	Introduction to Chemical Engineering Analysis ²	3
MA 341	Applied Differential Equations I ²	3
Select one of the following:		3
EC 205	Fundamentals of Economics	

EC 201	Principles of Microeconomics	
ARE 201	Introduction to Agricultural & Resource Economics	
Hours		17
Third Year		
Fall Semester		
BCH 451	Principles of Biochemistry	4
BEC 425	Molecular Biology for Biomufacturing	2
BEC 463	Fermentation of Recombinant Microorganisms	2
CHE 311	Transport Processes I ¹	3
CHE 315	Chemical Process Thermodynamics ¹	3
GEP Requirement (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/)		3
Hours		17
Spring Semester		
BEC 426	Upstream Biomufacturing Laboratory	2
BEC 330	Principles and Applications of Bioseparations	2
CHE 312	Transport Processes II	3
CHE 316	Thermodynamics of Chemical and Phase Equilibria	3
Free Elective		3
GEP Requirement (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/)		3
Hours		16
Fourth Year		
Fall Semester		
BEC 436	Introduction to Downstream Process Development	2
BEC 480 or BEC 485	cGMP Fermentation Operations or cGMP Downstream Operations	2
CHE 395	Professional Development Seminar	1
CHE 446	Design and Analysis of Chemical Reactors	3
CHE 450	Chemical Engineering Design I	3
GEP Requirement (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/)		3
Hours		14
Spring Semester		
Biomufacturing Elective (p. 2)		2
CHE 448	Bioreactor Design	2
CHE 435	Process Systems Analysis and Control	3
CHE 451	Chemical Engineering Design II	3
Bioethics Elective (p. 2)		3
GEP Requirement (http://catalog.ncsu.edu/undergraduate/gep-category-requirements/)		3
Hours		16
Total Hours		127

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Career Opportunities

Careers in chemical engineering are sometimes exciting, always demanding, and ultimately provide a sense of accomplishment and achievement. Graduates find employment in sub-disciplines such as production, technical service, sales, management and administration; research and development; and consulting and teaching. Students desiring careers in teaching, research, or consulting are encouraged to continue their education and pursue a graduate degree (consult the Graduate Catalog). The undergraduate curriculum also provides strong preparation for graduate study in a wide range of professional specialties, and chemical engineering graduates often pursue careers in the medical sciences, business management, and law.