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Chemical Engineering

Chemical Engineering is a profession where a diverse group of individuals contribute to the invention, development, and deployment of an incredible range of processes and products in a variety of industries including chemical, petrochemical, environmental, pharmaceutical, environmental, and materials. Chemical engineering is the branch of engineering that deals with the chemical and physical processes used to develop and manufacture many different products of greater value from lesser valued chemicals and feedstocks. Without question, chemical engineers are making major contributions to the technological infrastructure of modern society.

The mission of the Swalm School of Chemical Engineering is to produce graduates who have the ability to apply the principles of the physical sciences, together with the principles of economics and human relations, to fields that pertain directly to processes and process equipment that treat material to effect a change in state, energy content, or composition.

Graduates will receive a broad education that will enable them to become leaders in industry, the profession, and the community. Those graduates who excel academically will be prepared for entry to graduate or professional school.

To achieve our mission, Program Educational Objectives have been established to help us assess the degree to which we have achieved these objectives.

Program Educational Objectives

Mississippi State University Chemical Engineering graduates will:

1. Successfully enter the chemical engineering profession as design and process engineers (and related designations) with prominent companies in the chemical process industries, petroleum and petro-chemical industries, pulp and paper industry, consulting or other, related chemical industries.
2. Demonstrate an ability to address unstructured problems specific to chemical engineering technical specialties by identifying and implementing solutions using the proper tools, practical approaches and flexible thinking.
3. Pursue post-baccalaureate degrees in chemical engineering and related fields, business and professional programs including medicine and law.
4. Demonstrate proficiency in chemical engineering practice and leadership development by advancing in their chosen fields to supervisory and management positions.

Students choosing to major in Chemical Engineering will select one of three concentration areas within the Chemical Engineering Program:

1. Chemical Engineering Practice Concentration;
2. Chemical Engineering Research/Development Concentration; or
3. Biomolecular Engineering Concentration.

Chemical Engineering Practice Concentration. This concentration area prepares the graduate to enter industry upon graduation well-prepared to function as a chemical engineer, in a variety of industries as well as in a variety of job functions. Students pursuing this option are also well prepared for graduate studies in chemical engineering or professional school. A combination of 12 hours of technical electives, chemical engineering elective, and chemistry elective allows a student to emphasize an area of interest, including materials, environmental, energy (including alternative energy), or traditional chemical engineering.

Chemical Engineering Research/Development Concentration. This concentration area prepares the chemical engineering graduate for further educational endeavors at the graduate level and for opportunities in research and development by providing them with additional training in mathematics and chemical engineering topics. Focused selection of technical, chemistry, and basic engineering electives provides the opportunity to develop the depth required for post-graduate research activities in chemical engineering.

Biomolecular Engineering Concentration. This concentration area prepares the graduate for a career in the biotechnology industry. The concentration area also provides students the opportunity to fulfill prerequisites for medical, dental, or veterinary school upon completion of their chemical engineering degree. Focused selection of technical, chemistry, and basic engineering electives provides the opportunity to develop the depth required in biology, biochemistry, and microbiology for students interested in this concentration. While students regularly enter medical school via the Chemical Engineering Practice concentration, the biomolecular engineering concentration offers students not only a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering, but also highlights those topics encountered in biotechnology, medical school or in veterinary school.

The Chemical Engineering program is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, <http://www.abet.org> .

Petroleum Engineering

This curriculum is designed to educate students on the foundational principles required for success in the petroleum industry. Graduates will be prepared to enter the workforce and manage the human and energy resources in the petroleum industry. Students will develop hands-on, communication, and critical thinking skills to be successful. The program offers unique training with a particular emphasis on petroleum reservoir engineering, enhanced petroleum recovery methods, and thorough economic analysis. The degree is housed within the Swalm School of Chemical Engineering, and offers a student-focused curriculum with one-on-one advising and professional development opportunities.

The petroleum industry is one of the world's largest industries and is relied upon for our current way of life in several ways. First, petroleum fuels can be burned for energy which is used to supply heat and generate electricity for stationary applications. Secondly, petroleum has a favorable energy density and can be used for transportation applications. Finally, petroleum products are used to produce many chemical products of industrial and household relevance. The world consumes over 30 billion barrels of oil per year. It is estimated that 25% of the oil produced annually is used in the United States of America. The state of Mississippi ranks 13th in annual petroleum production in the United States. Major refineries in the state are located in Pascagoula, Vicksburg, and Sandersville. The state is estimated to produce 3.1% of U.S. motor gasoline and 1.7% of U.S. distillate fuel, which are significant amounts given the total volume of consumption.

Chemical Engineering

General Education and Degree Requirements

English Composition

EN 1103	English Composition I	3
or EN 1163	Accelerated Composition I	
EN 1113	English Composition II	3
or EN 1173	Accelerated Composition II	

Mathematics

See Major Core

Science

See Major Core

Humanities

See General Education courses 6

Fine Arts

See General Education courses 3

Social/Behavioral Sciences

See General Education courses 6

Major Core

Math and Basic Science 36

MA 1713	Calculus I	
MA 1723	Calculus II	
MA 2733	Calculus III	
MA 2743	Calculus IV	
MA 3253	Differential Equations I	
CH 1213	Chemistry I	
CH 1211	Investigations in Chemistry I	
CH 1223	Chemistry II	
CH 1221	Investigations in Chemistry II	
CH 4511	Organic Chemistry Laboratory I	
CH 4513	Organic Chemistry I	
CH 4523	Organic Chemistry II	
PH 2213	Physics I	
PH 2223	Physics II	

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CHE 1101	CHE Freshman Seminar	
CHE 2114	Mass and Energy Balances	
CHE 2213	Chemical Engineering Analysis	
CHE 3113	Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics I ¹	

CHE 3123	Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics II
CHE 3203	Fluid Flow Operations ¹
CHE 3213	Heat Transfer Operations ¹
CHE 3222	Chemical Engineering Laboratory I
CHE 3223	Separation Processes
CHE 3232	Chemical Engineering Laboratory II
CHE 3413	Engineering Materials
CHE 4113	Chemical Reactor Design
CHE 4134	Process Design
CHE 4223	Process Instrumentation and Control
CHE 4233	Chemical Plant Design
CHE 4633	Chemical Process Safety
IE 3913	Engineering Economy I

Oral Communication Requirement

Fulfilled in CHE 3222, CHE 3232, CHE 4134 and CHE 4233

Writing Requirement

GE 3513	Technical Writing	3
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Computer Literacy

Fulfilled in CHE 2213 and CHE 4134

Choose one of the following sets of courses to complete the degree: 19**Chemical Engineering Practice Concentration (CHEP)**

EM 2413	Engineering Mechanics I
or ECE 3183	Electrical Engineering Systems
CHE 3331	Professional Development Seminar
CH 4413	Thermodynamics and Kinetics
Chemical Engineering Elective ²	
Chemistry Elective ³	
Technical Electives ³	
(It is strongly recommended that CHE 4313 Transport Phenomena be used as a technical elective)	

Chemical Engineering Research/Development Concentration (CERD)

CHE 4313	Transport Phenomena
CHE 3331	Professional Development Seminar
MA 3113	Introduction to Linear Algebra
MA 3353	Differential Equations II
MA /ST 4543	Introduction to Mathematical Statistics I (MA/ST 4543 is a cross-listed course, but the student should choose MA 4543 if a minor in mathematics is desired.)
or IE 4613	Engineering Statistics I
CH 4413	Thermodynamics and Kinetics
Chemistry Elective ³	

Biomolecular Engineering Concentration (BIOM)

BIO 1134	Biology I
BIO 1144	Biology II
BIO 3304	General Microbiology
BCH 4603	General Biochemistry
CH 4521	Organic Chemistry Laboratory II

Choose one of the following:

PH 2233	Physics III (pre-medical students)
Advanced biology course (pre-veterinary students)	
Biotechnology course from an engineering dept. (Biomolecular engineering practice)	

Total Hours

128

- 1 With consent of student's advisor, the following course substitutions are acceptable:
- EM 3313 Fluid Mechanics for CHE 3203
 - ME 3513 Thermodynamics I for CHE 3113
 - ME 3313 Heat Transfer for CHE 3213
- 2 CHE 4000 Directed Individual Study will generally be disallowed for the required chemical engineering elective but may be used as a technical elective.
- 3 The Chemistry and Technical Electives are to be chosen from an approved list available online and from the student's advisor.

Petroleum Engineering

General Education and Degree Requirements

English Composition

EN 1103	English Composition I	3
EN 1113	English Composition II	3

Mathematics (see Major core)

Science (see Major core)

Humanities (see General Education list) 6

Fine Arts (see General Education list) 3

Social/Behavioral Sciences (see General Education list) 6

Major Core-Math and Basic Science

MA 1713	Calculus I	3
MA 1723	Calculus II	3
MA 2733	Calculus III	3
MA 2743	Calculus IV	3
CH 1211	Investigations in Chemistry I	1
CH 1213	Chemistry I	3
CH 1221	Investigations in Chemistry II	1
CH 1223	Chemistry II	3
GG 1113	Survey of Earth Sciences I	3
PH 2213	Physics I	3
PH 2223	Physics II	3

Choose at least one of the following: 3-4

GG 4063	Development of Fossil Fuel Resources	
GG 4153	Engineering Geology	
GG 4304	Principles of Sedimentary Deposits I	
GG 4413	Structural Geology	
GG 4443	Principles of Sedimentary Deposits II	

Major Core - Engineering Topics

CHE 1101	CHE Freshman Seminar	1
CHE 2114	Mass and Energy Balances	4
CHE 2213	Chemical Engineering Analysis	3
CHE 3113	Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics I	3
CHE 3413	Engineering Materials	3
CHE 4313	Transport Phenomena	3
EM 2413	Engineering Mechanics I	3
EM 3213	Mechanics of Materials	3
IE 3913	Engineering Economy I	3
IE 4613	Engineering Statistics I	3
PTE 3902	Petroleum Engineering Lab 1	2
PTE 3903	Petroleum Reservoir Fluid Properties	3
PTE 3912	Petroleum Engineering Lab 2	2
PTE 3953	Petroleum Reservoir Rock Properties and Fluid Flow	3
PTE 3963	Drilling	3

PTE 3973	Petroleum Production Operations	3
PTE 4903	Petroleum Reservoir Engineering 1	3
PTE 4913	Petroleum Reservoir Engineering 2	3
PTE 4923	Completion Design	3
PTE 4953	Formation Evaluation	3
PTE 4963	Oil Recovery Methods	3
PTE 4993	Petroleum Economic Analysis	3
Writing Requirement		
GE 3513	Technical Writing	3
Oral Communication Requirement - Fulfilled in PTE 3902, PTE 3912, and PTE 4993		
Computer Literacy - Fulfilled in CHE 2213 and PTE 4993		
Technical Electives		6
Total Hours		128