

A LEVEL CHEMISTRY



INFORMATION ABOUT THE A LEVEL CHEMISTRY COURSE

- All assessment will be by examination only (there will be no practical examinations).
- The course is linear, with assessment at the end of the second year.
- The course includes practical skills assessed by teachers (practical endorsement) and reported separately, alongside the qualification grade on the certificate. Performance in the practical skills will not affect the grade awarded.
- The course includes specified practical work that must be undertaken by learners in order that they are suitably prepared for the written examinations
- The assessment of mathematical skills will form an integral part of the examinations

MODULES STUDIED

Exam board: OCR Chemistry A. H432

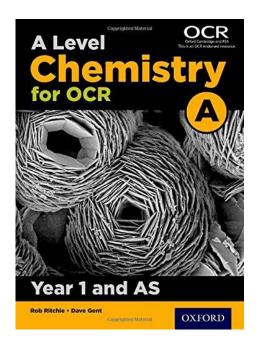
Module 1 – Development of practical skills in chemistry

Assessed by completing at least 12 practical sessions.

1st year Chemistry

- Module 2 Foundations in chemistry
- Module 3 Periodic table and energy
- Module 4 Core organic chemistry

This is the textbook we will use in the first year:

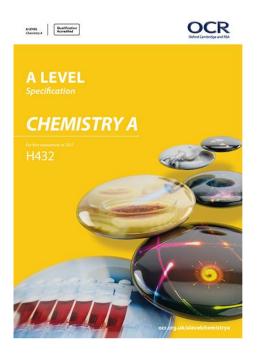


2nd year Chemistry

Module 5 – Physical chemistry and transition elements. Module 6 – Organic chemistry and analysis

A LEVEL ASSESSMENT

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Students will be assessed by 3 written examinations in the summer of year 2.

Component 1 – Periodic table, elements and physical chemistry

Written examination: 2 hours 15 minutes 37% of qualification

Component 2 – Synthesis and analytical techniques Written examination: 2 hours 15 minutes

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Component 3 – Unified chemistry Written examination: 1 hours 30 minutes 27% of qualification

WHY CHOOSE CHEMISTRY?

Are you interested in how we develop new, high-technology materials, fuels and medicines for the future? Chemistry at A Level is required for a range of careers including medicine, veterinary science, food science, agriculture and chemistry courses including forensic and pharmaceutical science. It is an essential support for any higher level study of Biology and gives extended options to enter chemical engineering with Physics and Maths. The skills learned in Chemistry are valued for entry into many other professions such as business, law and ICT.

FAQs

What are the entry requirements for A Level Chemistry?

• Minimum of Grade 6,6 in Higher Tier GCSE Combined Science, or Chemistry and 6 in one other science.

- Minimum grade 4 in English.
- There is a high Maths content in this course so a 6 in Maths is essential.

What if I do not meet the entry requirements for A Level Chemistry?

We offer other science courses with slightly lower entry requirements such as engineering and environmental science.

OUR APPROACH TO TEACHING AND LEARNING

Building on our reputation for excellent resources:

- We place a strong emphasis on allowing students to carry out practical activities, not just to develop their practical skills but to provide them with a full range of learning experiences.
- We have a flexible teaching approach but understand the need to complete homework, respect deadlines and set high standards.
- We use high-quality teaching materials including workbooks and tests with structured feedback, which have been rated as excellent by our students and by Ofsted inspectors.
- We have a range of online learning and assessment materials.
- We have exceptional facilities and the latest chemistry equipment.

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