CHEM6013: Physical Chemistry Principles

| Module Details | | | | |
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| Module Code: | CHEM6013 | | | |
| Title: | Physical Chemistry Principles APPROVED | | | |
| Long Title: | Physical Chemistry Principles | | | |
| NFQ Level: | Fundamental | | | |
| Valid From: | Semester 1 - 2019/20 (September 2019) | | | |
| Duration: | 1 Semester | | | |
| Credits: | 5 | | | |
| Field of Study: | 4421 - Chemistry | | | |
| Module Delivered in: | 7 programme(s) | | | |
| Module Description: | This module introduces students to the concepts of thermochemistry, reaction kinetics & chemical equilibrium, redox reactions and physical/chemical properties of selected main group elements. | | | |

| Learning Outcomes | | | |
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| On successful completion of this module the learner will be able to: | | | |
| # | Learning Outcome Description | | |
| LO1 | Define various fundamental laws of thermochemistry, reaction kinetics, chemical equilibria and electrochemistry. | | |
| LO2 | Perform basic calculations regarding heat changes, reaction rates and equilibrium states. | | |
| LO3 | Describe the measurement principles of calorimeters, pH meters, electrochemical cells and the fundamentals of catalysis. | | |
| LO4 | Describe the physical and chemical properties of selected main group elements. | | |
| LO5 | Use a range of chemical equipment and techniques to perform laboratory procedures. | | |

| Dependencies |
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| Module Recommendations |
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| Incompatible Modules |
| No incompatible modules listed |
| Co-requisite Modules |
| No Co-requisite modules listed |
| Requirements |
| Students wishing to register for this module are required to have taken Chemical Principles or an equivalent level 6 chemistry module |

| Indicative Content |
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Thermochemistry
Energy functions. First law of thermodynamics. Enthalpy/Heats of chemical reactions and physical processes. Energy measurements and calorimetry. Numerical calculations. Elementary Kinetics
Reaction rates. Factors affecting reaction rates. Reaction rates and stoichiometry. Rate laws, order of reactions, and determination of rate constants.

Introduction to Chemical Equilibria.

Dynamic equilibrium. Equilibrium constants and calculations. Homogeneous and heterogeneous equilibria. Factors affecting equilibrium. Le Chateliers principle.

Electrolytes, Common-ion Effect. Acids/ bases theories, pH scale, buffer solutions. Henderson Hasselbach equation. pH calculations for aqueous solutions.

Oxidation - Reduction Reactions
Oxidation numbers. Redox reactions. Balancing redox equation. Basic electrochemical cells.

Main Group Chemistry
Study of physical and chemical properties of selected main group elements.

| Module Content & Assessment | | | |
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| Assessment Breakdown | % | | |
| Coursework | 50.00% | | |
| End of Module Formal Examination | 50.00% | | |

Assessments

| Coursework | | | | | | |
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| Assessment Type | 20 | | | | | |
| Timing | Week 7 | Learning Outcomes | 1,2,3 | | | |
| Assessment Description Assessment based on heat exchange, reaction rates and equilibrium | | | | | | |
| Assessment Type | Assessment Type Practical/Skills Evaluation % of Total Mark 30 | | | | | |
| Timing | Every Week | Learning Outcomes | 2,3,5 | | | |
| Assessment Description Performance of practicals and completion of written reports / assignments with relevant calculations | | | | | | |

| End of Module Formal Examination | | | | | |
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| Assessment Type | Formal Exam | % of Total Mark | 50 | | |
| Timing | End-of-Semester | Learning Outcomes | 1,2,3,4,5 | | |
| Assessment Description End-of-Semester Final Examination | | | | | |

Reassessment Requirement

Repeat examination
Reassessment of this module will consist of a repeat examination. It is possible that there will also be a requirement to be reassessed in a coursework element.

Module Workload

| Workload: Full Time | | | | | |
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| Workload Type | Contact Type | Workload Description | Frequency | Average Weekly Learner Workload | Hours |
| Lecture | Contact | Delivery of theory underpinning learning outcomes | Every Week | 3.00 | 3 |
| Lab | Contact | Practical skills development | Every Week | 2.00 | 2 |
| Independent & Directed Learning (Non-contact) | Non Contact | Student independant learning time for this module | Every Week | 2.00 | 2 |
| Total Hours | | | | | 7.00 |
| Total Weekly Learner Workload | | | | 7.00 | |
| Total Weekly Contact Hours | | | | 5.00 | |

| Workload: Part Time | | | | | |
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| Workload Type | Contact Type | Workload Description | Frequency | Average Weekly Learner Workload | Hours |
| Lecture | Contact | Delivery of theory underpinning learning outcomes | Every Week | 3.00 | 3 |
| Lab | Contact | Practical Skills development | Every Week | 2.00 | 2 |
| Independent & Directed Learning (Non-contact) | Non Contact | Student independent learning time for this module | Every Week | 2.00 | 2 |
| Total Hours | | | | | 7.00 |
| Total Weekly Learner Workload | | | | 7.00 | |
| Total Weekly Contact Hours | | | | 5.00 | |

Module Resources

Recommended Book Resources

Brown, LeMay, Bursten, Murphy, Woodward, Stoltzfus. (2017), Chemistry: The Central Science in SI Units, 14th. Pearson, [ISBN: 9781292221229].

Supplementary Book Resources

McMurray, Fay, Robinson. (2015), Chemistry, 7th. [ISBN: 9781292092751].

This module does not have any article/paper resources

Other Resources

Website, Chemguide, http://www.chemguide.co.uk

| Module Delivered in | | | | | |
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| Programme Code | Programme | Semester | Delivery | | |
| CR_SCHQA_8 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Analytical Chemistry with Quality Assurance | -1 | Mandatory | | |
| CR_SESST_8 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Environmental Science and Sustainable Technology | -1 | Mandatory | | |
| CR_SINEN_8 | Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Instrument Engineering | -1 | Elective | | |
| CR_SCHEM_7 | Bachelor of Science in Analytical and Pharmaceutical Chemistry | -1 | Mandatory | | |
| CR_SPHYS_7 | Bachelor of Science in Applied Physics and Instrumentation | -1 | Elective | | |
| CR_SPHYS_6 | Higher Certificate in Science in Applied Physics and Instrumentation | -1 | Elective | | |
| CR_SCHEM_6 | Higher Certificate in Science in Chemistry | -1 | Mandatory | | |