

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Description

The mission of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln Chemical and Biomolecular engineering program (<https://engineering.unl.edu/chme/>) is to provide qualified students with a foundation in engineering sciences and engineering design methods to prepare them for successful professional careers and to contribute to the needs of society.

Program Educational Objectives

In pursuit of the program's mission, the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering has established the Educational Objectives given below.

Succeeds professionally. Graduates will succeed professionally by making positive contributions to address the needs of society, generating new knowledge, and providing leadership in their respective industry or field.

Solves engineering and scientific challenges. Graduates will use critical thinking and engineering techniques and strategies to develop economical solutions to technical challenges, within practical constraints and limitations.

Communicates effectively to diverse audiences. Graduates will demonstrate respect for different perspectives and use effective communication skills with broad and diverse audiences.

Acts safely and ethically. Graduates will uphold the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Code of Ethics and will influence others to do the same.

Engages in life-long learning. Graduates will engage in self-initiated, life-long learning for professional growth in their chosen career paths.

The Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering offers a course of study designed for students who plan careers in a wide variety of industries, ranging from the chemical and process industries to biotechnology, electronics, and the environment. Students receive training in the basic subjects of mathematics, English, and physics like other engineering students, but in addition receive extensive training in chemistry. In various courses, the emphasis is placed on the fundamental principles of fluid mechanics, heat transfer, mass transfer, separation processes, thermodynamics, kinetics, and process dynamics, as well as process economics and design of chemical processes.

The instructional laboratories provide opportunities for students to operate experimental equipment, test the theories and correlations developed in the classroom, and design their own experimental equipment for the solution of special problems.

Graduates are qualified to undertake work in research, design, development, production, maintenance, and technical sales in a wide variety of industries including chemicals, petroleum, petrochemicals, rubber, plastics, agricultural chemicals, food, biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, paper, fabrics, aircraft, automotive, electronics, energy conversion, and environmental pollution prevention and control.

The Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering is located in Othmer Hall. A state-of-the-art unit operations laboratory, used to give hands-on chemical process experience, is located there. Laboratory equipment is provided for the study of fluid mechanics, heat transfer,

mass transfer, staged operations, process control, thermodynamics, reaction kinetics, and polymerization. The department operates its own microcomputer facility. Additional research equipment is available for independent and graduate study in several areas.

Major Department Admission

To earn Professional Admission to the chemical engineering degree program, a student must complete a minimum of 43 credit hours applicable to the chemical engineering degree and complete CHME 202 Mass and Energy Balances with a grade of C- or higher. The student must have a cumulative GPA of 2.4 or higher to be professionally admitted. The faculty of the chemical and biomolecular engineering department reviews students for professional admission once they have earned 43 credit hours and completed CHME 202. A student may be reviewed twice for professional admission to chemical engineering. If the student is denied professional admission to chemical engineering twice, then the student will be required to change their major and will not be allowed to complete a chemical engineering degree. After the student is awarded professional admission to chemical engineering, they will be allowed to enroll in the appropriate 300- and 400-level engineering courses.

Other

University Honors Program

For those students who have been admitted to the University Honors Program, junior- and senior-level chemical and biomolecular engineering classes are available as honors-designated classes (i.e., CHME xxxH) on a "contract basis" between the student and the instructor with approval by the department faculty. The requirement of an honors thesis research project is fulfilled by completion of a minimum of 3 credits of CHME 499H Honors Thesis under the direction of a department faculty member. Additional information on the University Honors Program, including admission requirements, can be found in the Honors Program section.

College Requirements

College Admission

College Entrance Requirements

Students must have high school credit for (one unit is equal to one high school year):

1. Mathematics – 4 units: 2 of algebra, 1 of geometry, and 1 of precalculus and trigonometry
2. English – 4 units
3. Natural sciences – 3 units that must include 1 unit of physics and 1 unit of chemistry (chemistry requirement waived for students in construction management)
4. Foreign language – 2 units of a single foreign language
5. Social studies – 3 units
6. Students having a composite ACT score of 28 or greater (or equivalent SAT score) will be admitted to the College of Engineering even if they lack any one of the following: trigonometry, chemistry, or physics.
7. Students having an ACT score of 19 or less in English (or equivalent SAT score) must take ENGL 150 Writing and Inquiry or ENGL 151 Writing and Argument.

A total of 16 units is required for admission.

Students must have an ACT (enhanced) score of 24 or greater (or equivalent SAT). Students who lack entrance requirements may be

admitted based on ACT scores, high school rank and credits, or may be admitted to pre-engineering status in the Exploratory and Pre-Professional Advising Center. Pre-engineering students are advised within the Exploratory and Pre-Professional Advising Center.

Students for whom English is not their language of nurture must meet the minimum English proficiency requirements of the University.

Students who lack entrance units may complete precollege training by Independent Study through the University of Nebraska–Lincoln Office of On-line and Distance Education, in summer courses, or as a part of their first or second semester course loads while in the Exploratory and Pre-Professional Advising Center or other Colleges at Nebraska.

Students should consult their advisor, their department chair, or Engineering Student Services if they have questions on current policies.

Other Admission Requirements

Students who transfer to the University of Nebraska–Lincoln from other accredited colleges or universities and wish to be admitted to the College of Engineering (COE) must meet COE freshman entrance requirements and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 and be calculus-ready. Students not meeting either of these requirements must enroll in the Explore Center or another University college until they meet COE admission requirements. Students transferring from UNO, UNL, or UNK to the College of Engineering must be in good academic standing with their institution.

The COE accepts courses for transfer for which a C or better grade was received. Although the University of Nebraska–Lincoln accepts D grades from the University of Nebraska at Kearney and at Omaha, not all majors in the COE accept such low grades. Students must conform to the requirements of their intended major and, in any case, are strongly encouraged to repeat courses with a grade of C- or less.

All transfer students must adopt the curricular requirements of the undergraduate catalog current at the time of transfer to the COE—not that in use when they entered the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. Upon admission to Nebraska, students wishing to pursue degree programs in the COE will be classified and subject to the policies defined in the subsequent section.

Students who were previously admitted to COE and are returning to the College of Engineering must demonstrate a cumulative GPA of 2.5 in order to be readmitted to COE.

College Degree Requirements

Grade Rules

Grade Appeals

In the event of a dispute involving any college policies or grades, the student should appeal to his/her instructor and appropriate department chair or school director (in that order). If a satisfactory solution is not achieved, the student may appeal his/her case through the College Academic Appeals Committee on his/her campus.

Catalog Rule

Students must fulfill the requirements stated in the catalog for the academic year in which they are first admitted at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. In consultation with advisors, a student may choose to follow a subsequent catalog for any academic year in which they are admitted to and enrolled as a degree-seeking student at Nebraska in the College of Engineering. Students must complete all degree requirements

from a single catalog year. The catalog which a student follows for degree requirements may not be more than 10 years old at the time of graduation.

Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the chemical engineering program will have:

1. An ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics.
2. An ability to apply engineering design to produce solutions that meet specified needs with consideration of public health, safety, and welfare, as well as global, cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors.
3. An ability to communicate effectively with a range of audiences.
4. An ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts.
5. An ability to function effectively on a team whose members together provide leadership, create a collaborative and inclusive environment, establish goals, plan tasks, and meet objectives.
6. An ability to develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw conclusions.
7. An ability to acquire and apply new knowledge as needed, using appropriate learning strategies.

The above student outcomes have been approved by the ABET Engineering Area Delegation for use beginning with the 2019-20 academic year, and have been adopted by the faculty of the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering.

Major Requirements

Specific Major Requirements

Any student in the chemical and biomolecular engineering program whose grade point average in required chemical and biomolecular engineering courses is less than 2.4 will be admitted to the required courses of the following year only with the special permission of the department.

First Semester

CHEM 113A & CHEM 113L	Fundamental Chemistry I and Fundamental Chemistry I Laboratory ¹	4
CHME 113	Introduction to Chemical Engineering I	2
ENGR 10	Freshman Engineering Seminar	0
MATH 106	Calculus I	5
<i>Oral Communication Elective</i>		
Select one of the following:		3
ALEC 102	Interpersonal Skills for Leadership	
COMM 286	Business and Professional Communication (SLO 2)	
ENGR 100	Interpersonal Skills for Engineering Leaders	
JGEN 300	Technical Communication II	
ACE Elective ²		3
Credit Hours Subtotal:		17
Second Semester		

CHEM 114	Fundamental Chemistry II ¹	3
CHME 114	Introduction to Chemical Engineering II	2
CSCE 155N	Computer Science I: Engineering and Science Focus	3
MATH 107	Calculus II	4
PHYS 211	General Physics I	4
Credit Hours Subtotal:		16
Third Semester		
CHEM 261	Organic Chemistry	3
CHEM 263A	Organic Chemistry Laboratory	1
CHME 202	Mass and Energy Balances	3
ENGR 20	Sophomore Engineering Seminar	0
MATH 208	Calculus III	4
PHYS 212	General Physics II	4
ACE Elective ²		3
Credit Hours Subtotal:		18
Fourth Semester		
CHEM 262	Organic Chemistry	3
CHEM 264A	Organic Chemistry Laboratory	1
CHME 223	Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics I	3
ECEN 211	Elements of Electrical Engineering I	3
JGEN 200	Technical Communication I	3
MATH 221	Differential Equations	3
Credit Hours Subtotal:		16
Fifth Semester		
CHEM 221	Elementary Quantitative Analysis	4
CHME 312	Chemical Engineering Computation	3
CHME 323	Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics and Kinetics	3
CHME 331	Equilibrium Stage Operations	3
CHME 332	Transport Operations I	3
Credit Hours Subtotal:		16
Sixth Semester		
CHME 330	Chemical Engineering Laboratory I	3
CHME 333	Transport Operations II	3
CHME 434	Diffusional Operations	3
<i>Advanced Chemistry/Chemical Engineering</i>		
Select one of the following:		3
CHME 324	Molecular Processes and Applications	
CHEM 421	Analytical Chemistry	
CHEM 431 / BIOC 431 / BIOS 431	Biochemistry I: Structure and Metabolism	
CHEM 441	Inorganic Chemistry	
CHME 473	Biochemical Engineering	
ACE Elective ²		3
Credit Hours Subtotal:		15
Seventh Semester		
CHME 420	Chemical Process Safety	3
CHME 442	Chemical Reactor Engineering and Design	3
CHME 452	Chemical Engineering Process Economics and Optimization	3

ENGR 400	Professional Ethics and Social Responsibilities	1
Technical Electives ³		3
ACE Elective ²		3
Credit Hours Subtotal:		16
Eighth Semester		
CHME 430	Chemical Engineering Laboratory II	4
CHME 453	Chemical Engineering Process Design and Safety	3
CHME 460	Automatic Process Control Laboratory	1
CHME 462	Automatic Process Control	3
Technical Elective ³		3
ACE Elective ²		3
Credit Hours Subtotal:		17
Total Credit Hours		131

¹ The sequence CHEM 109A and CHEM 109L and CHEM 110A and CHEM 110L is an acceptable alternative to CHEM 113A and CHEM 113L and CHEM 114.

² Choose one course each from ACE outcomes 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 elective courses. BSEN 206, ACE 8, is not degree applicable.

³ The 6 hours of technical electives must be approved by the advisor.

Tracks/Options/Concentrations/Emphases Requirements

Special emphasis options available in the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering include:

- Biotechnology/Bioengineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Materials Engineering
- Mathematics and Statistics

Technical Electives

The purpose of technical electives is to provide the student with an opportunity to gain new knowledge in an area of engineering or science beyond the basic undergraduate chemical engineering program. The technical electives may be in engineering design, engineering science, physical science, life science, and/or math.

- A minimum of 6 credit hours of technical electives are required.
- All technical electives must be approved by a departmental academic advisor prior to registration for the course.
- Students are expected to complete their technical elective requirements during their junior and senior years with corresponding level of courses.
- With the pre-approval of the student's academic advisor, a maximum of 3 credit hours of CHME 499 Senior Problems or CHME 499H Honors Thesis may be applied toward the technical electives requirement.
- Introductory 100-level courses are not accepted as technical electives.
- Advanced Placement (AP) high school classes are not allowed as technical electives.
- Courses lacking a quantitative physical science foundation such as accounting, marketing, economics, or law are normally not acceptable as technical electives.

- Students are strongly encouraged to select their technical electives from the following list. Course(s) may be taken outside of this list with approval of a departmental academic advisor prior to registration for the course.

Biotechnology/Bioengineering/Chemistry

BIOS 206	General Genetics	4
BIOS 213	Human Physiology	3
BIOS 214	Human Anatomy	5
BIOS 312	Microbiology	3
CHEM 431 / BIOC 431 / BIOS 431	Biochemistry I: Structure and Metabolism	3
CHEM 432 / BIOC 432 / BIOS 432	Biochemistry II: Metabolism and Biological Information	3
CHEM 441	Inorganic Chemistry	3
CHEM 471	Physical Chemistry	4
CHEM 481	Physical Chemistry I	4
CHEM 482	Physical Chemistry II	4
CHEM 486 / BIOC 486 / BIOS 486	Advanced Topics in Biophysical Chemistry	3
CHME 412	Introduction to Atomistic Simulations	3
CHME 470	Biomufacturing Laboratory	3
CHME 473	Biochemical Engineering	3
CHME 474	Advanced Biochemical Engineering	2-6
CHME 475	Biochemical Separations	3
CHME 476	Micro/Nano systems for Engineering and Life Sciences	3
CHME 477	Molecular Bioengineering	3

Environmental Engineering

BSEN 455 / CIVE 455	Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Engineering	3
CHEM 421	Analytical Chemistry	3
CHEM 423	Analytical Chemistry Laboratory	2
CHME 489	Air Pollution, Assessment and Control	3
CIVE 321 / BSEN 321	Principles to Environmental Engineering	3
CIVE 321L / BSEN 321L	Environmental Engineering Laboratory	1
CIVE 422 / BSEN 422	Pollution Prevention: Principles and Practices	3
CIVE 424	Solid Waste Management Engineering	3
ENVR 490	Environmental Studies Seminar	1

Materials Engineering

CHME 482	Polymers	3
MATL 360	Elements of Materials Science	4
MATL 460	Mechanical Aspects of Materials	3
MATL 462	X-ray Diffraction	3
MATL 469	Physical Materials Systems	3
MATL 471	Electron Microscopy of Materials	3
MATL 473	Corrosion	3
MECH 325	Mechanics of Elastic Bodies	3

MECH 381	Elements of Computer-Aided Design	3
PHYS 422 / ECEN 422	Introduction to Physics and Chemistry of Solids	3

Mathematics and Statistics

MATH 314	Linear Algebra	3
MATH 424	Introduction to Partial Differential Equations	3
STAT 380	Statistics and Applications	3

Additional Major Requirements

Grade Rules

GPA Requirements

Any student in the chemical and biomolecular engineering program whose grade point average in required chemical and biomolecular engineering courses is less than 2.4 will need special permission from the department to be admitted to the required CHME courses the following year.

CHME 113 Introduction to Chemical Engineering I

Description: The profession of chemical engineering. Chemical engineers' impact on today's societal issues, team problem solving, communication skills, and the introduction of chemical process flow sheets.

Credit Hours: 2

Max credits per semester: 2

Max credits per degree: 2

Grading Option: Graded with Option

CHME 114 Introduction to Chemical Engineering II

Prerequisites: MATH 106 or parallel, CHEM 113 or CHEM 113A and 113L or CHEM 109 or CHEM 109A and 109L or parallel

Description: Analytical and computational methods for solving problems related to chemical process measurements, properties of single compounds, properties of mixtures, stoichiometry.

Credit Hours: 2

Max credits per semester: 2

Max credits per degree: 2

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: CHME 202

CHME 202 Mass and Energy Balances

Prerequisites: CHEM 113 or CHEM 113A and 113L; a grade of C- or better in CHME 114; MATH 107 or parallel.

Description: Application of the principle of conservation of mass and energy in the analysis of steady-state chemical processes. Topics in physical, chemical, and thermal property estimation.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: CHME 223

CHME 204 Carbon Footprints: From Greenhouse Gases to Global Warming

Prerequisites: MATH 101, 103, or Placement into MATH 102 or above.

Description: Introduction to the concepts of carbon footprints of various human activities, household items and devices, and basic calculations of "carbon accounting". Discuss the global, regional and local impact of carbon accounting.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

ACE: ACE 4 Science

CHME 223 Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics I

Prerequisites: A grade of C- or better in CHME 202.

Description: Application of the three fundamental laws to chemical engineering problems.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: CHME 331

CHME 312 Chemical Engineering Computation

Prerequisites: MATH 221, CSCE 155N

Description: Computational methods in orthogonal polynomials, numerical integration, matrix operations and ordinary differential equations as they apply to chemical engineering problems such as separations, reactor design, transport operations and control.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: CHME 330

CHME 323 Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics and Kinetics

Crosslisted with: CHME 823

Prerequisites: CHME 223

Description: Application to multi-component systems; thermodynamics, phase equilibria, chemical reaction equilibria, and process analysis.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: CHME 324; CHME 805; CHME 825; CHME 845; CHME 847, CHME 447; CHME 935; CHME 995

CHME 324 Molecular Processes and Applications

Prerequisites: CHME 323 or parallel

Description: Microscopic processes, such as statistical thermodynamics and molecular kinetics are introduced. Emphasis is placed on an engineering approach to developing problem-solving skills in systems requiring molecular-level understanding.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

CHME 330 Chemical Engineering Laboratory I

Prerequisites: CHME 331, 332; CHME 312, 333 or parallel

Description: Selected experiments in chemical engineering thermodynamics, heat and momentum transfer, and separations. Emphasis on interpretation of results and written reports.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

CHME 331 Equilibrium Stage Operations

Prerequisites: MATH 107; CHME 223

Description: Phase equilibrium and mass and energy balances applied to staged mass transfer operations.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: CHME 330

CHME 332 Transport Operations I

Crosslisted with: CHME 832

Prerequisites: MATH 208; CHME 223

Description: Mass, momentum and energy transport phenomena and their application in chemical engineering.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: AGEN 325, BSEN 325; AGEN 344, BSEN 344; CHME 330; CHME 333, CHME 833; CHME 420; CHME 835; CIVE 420; ENVE 410

CHME 333 Transport Operations II

Crosslisted with: CHME 833

Prerequisites: CHME 312, CHME 332

Description: Continuation of CHME 332/832.

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

Prerequisite for: CHME 475, CHME 875; CHME 815; CHME 835; CHME 935; CHME 995

CHME 371 Stem Cell Engineering and Regenerative Medicine

Crosslisted with: CHME 871

Prerequisites: CHEM 109 or CHEM 109A and 109L or CHEM 113 or CHEM 113A and 113L.

Description: Introduction to stem cells and regenerative medicine with emphasis on stem cells and their application in the treatment of diseases and translational lab-to-clinic hurdles in stem cell therapy

Credit Hours: 3

Max credits per semester: 3

Max credits per degree: 3

Grading Option: Graded with Option

CHME 409 Process Intensification and Sustainability**Crosslisted with:** CHME 809**Prerequisites:** Senior Standing**Description:** Process intensification focuses on considerable improvements in tens to hundred percent in manufacturing by modification of existing operations or new designs. Optimization of manufacturing processes is at the core of PI**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded**Offered:** FALL/SPR**CHME 412 Introduction to Atomistic Simulations****Crosslisted with:** CHME 812**Prerequisites:** Senior standing**Description:** Theory and application of quantum-based computational methods used to model, predict and analyze materials properties.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 420 Chemical Process Safety****Prerequisites:** CHME 332**Description:** Introduction to chemical process safety with topics emphasizing industrial hygiene, toxicology, hazard identification, inherently safer design, and engineering controls.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**Offered:** FALL/SPR**CHME 430 Chemical Engineering Laboratory II****Crosslisted with:** CHME 820**Prerequisites:** CHME 330; CHME 442 or parallel; CHME 462 or parallel.**Description:** Selected experiments in chemical engineering. Emphasis on experimental design, interpretation of results, and formal oral and written presentation.**Credit Hours:** 4**Max credits per semester:** 4**Max credits per degree:** 4**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 434 Diffusional Operations****Crosslisted with:** CHME 834**Prerequisites:** CHME 332**Description:** Application of diffusional theory to the design of processing equipment required for absorption, adsorption, leaching, drying, and chemical reactions.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 442 Chemical Reactor Engineering and Design****Crosslisted with:** CHME 842**Prerequisites:** CHME 323**Description:** Basic principles of chemical kinetics are coupled with models descriptive of rates of energy and mass transfer for the analysis and design of reactor systems.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**Prerequisite for:** CHME 845**CHME 447 Principles and Applications of Catalysis in Reaction Engineering****Crosslisted with:** CHME 847**Prerequisites:** CHME 323.**Description:** Principles and applications of heterogeneous catalysis, mechanisms, catalytic reactor types and catalyst characterization and performance. Case studies on current catalytic technologies.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 452 Chemical Engineering Process Economics and Optimization****Crosslisted with:** CHME 852**Prerequisites:** CHME 333, CHME 331, CHME 434**Notes:** Credit toward the degree may be earned only in CHME 452/852**Description:** Criteria of chemical process economics: cost and asset accounting, time value of money, profitability, alternative investments, minimum attractive rate of return, sensitivity and risk analysis. Process optimization in: plant operations, unit operations, using successive calculations, linear programming and dynamic programming.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 453 Chemical Engineering Process Design and Safety****Crosslisted with:** CHME 853**Prerequisites:** CHME 452**Description:** Design, evaluation, and safety considerations of chemical engineering process applications.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**ACE:** ACE 10 Integrated Product**CHME 454 Chemical Process Engineering****Crosslisted with:** CHME 854**Prerequisites:** CHME 430 and 312.**Description:** Practical and theoretical aspects of chemical process analysis, simulation, and synthesis. Case studies used to illustrate principles. Use of the digital computer as a tool of the process engineer is stressed.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

CHME 460 Automatic Process Control Laboratory**Crosslisted with:** CHME 860**Prerequisites:** Parallel: CHME 462.**Description:** Selected laboratory experiments to demonstrate the theory of the dynamics and control of chemical processes.**Credit Hours:** 1**Max credits per semester:** 1**Max credits per degree:** 1**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 462 Automatic Process Control****Crosslisted with:** CHME 862**Prerequisites:** MATH 221, CHME 333**Description:** Analysis and design of automatic control systems. Dynamic responses of measuring instruments, control elements, stability of control systems, and process equipment included in control loops.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**Prerequisite for:** CHME 965**CHME 470 Biomanufacturing Laboratory****Prerequisites:** CHME 473**Description:** Selected experiments in molecular biology, bioprocess development, fermentation, purification, and analytical methods as they pertain to biomanufacturing.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 473 Biochemical Engineering****Crosslisted with:** CHME 873**Prerequisites:** CHEM 262, CHEM 431**Description:** Dynamics of microbial growth and death. Engineering processes for microbiological synthesis of cellular materials and industrial products, with emphasis on food and pharmaceutical production by bacteria and fungi.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**Prerequisite for:** CHME 470; CHME 474, CHME 874**CHME 474 Advanced Biochemical Engineering****Crosslisted with:** CHME 874**Prerequisites:** CHME 473/873.**Description:** Recent theoretical and technical developments in biochemical engineering.**Credit Hours:** 2-6**Min credits per semester:** 2**Max credits per semester:** 6**Max credits per degree:** 6**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 475 Biochemical Separations****Crosslisted with:** CHME 875**Prerequisites:** CHME 333/833**Description:** Separation and purification of compounds of biological origin from an analytical perspective. Application of unit operations for these separations.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 476 Micro/Nano systems for Engineering and Life Sciences****Crosslisted with:** CHME 876**Prerequisites:** Senior standing**Description:** Introduction to a number of biological problems facing living systems and show how micro/nanotechnology is being used to solve those problems. Emphasis on engineering perspectives of the life sciences.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 477 Molecular Bioengineering****Crosslisted with:** CHME 877**Prerequisites:** Senior standing or permission.**Description:** Introduction to fundamentals and up-to-date developments in the field of bioengineering at the molecular level. Topics to cover include recombinant DNA methods, protein engineering, microbial cell factories, synthetic and systems biology, DNA and protein therapeutics.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**Offered:** FALL/SPR**CHME 482 Polymers****Crosslisted with:** CHME 882**Prerequisites:** CHEM 262, 264 or 264A, and MATH 221**Description:** Introduction to polymer synthesis, structure, polymer physics, thermodynamics, kinetics, polymer characterization techniques, polymer properties and applications.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 483 Chemical Processes in Semiconductor Manufacturing****Crosslisted with:** CHME 883**Prerequisites:** A grade of C or better in ECEN 211 and MATH 208**Description:** Introduction to the basic chemical processes used in chip manufacturing, with emphasis on: thin-film metal and dielectric deposition, etching, ion implantation, diffusion, lithography, and planarization. Discuss material synthesis and processing and the principle physical/chemical governing phenomena.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option

CHME 486 Electrochemical Engineering**Crosslisted with:** CHME 886**Prerequisites:** CHME 333, and CHME 442, or MECH 310 and MATL 360.**Description:** Thermodynamic and kinetic principles of electrochemistry are applied to the design and analysis of electrochemical processes, including chemical production, batteries, fuel cells, and corrosion prevention.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 489 Air Pollution, Assessment and Control****Crosslisted with:** CHME 889**Prerequisites:** Senior standing**Description:** Survey of the present status of the air pollution problem and the application of engineering and scientific principles to its practical and effective coordinated control.**Credit Hours:** 3**Max credits per semester:** 3**Max credits per degree:** 3**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 496 Advanced Topics in Chemical Engineering Computation****Crosslisted with:** CHME 896**Prerequisites:** CHME 312 or CSCE 455/855 or MECH 480/880, and permission.**Description:** Intensive treatment of special topics of current research interest in such areas as steady-state and dynamic process simulation, design optimization, chemical process synthesis, computer-aided product research, stochastic optimization, and numerical methods applied to transport problems.**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Min credits per semester:** 1**Max credits per semester:** 6**Max credits per degree:** 6**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**Prerequisite for:** CHME 915**CHME 499 Senior Problems****Prerequisites:** Senior standing in chemical engineering.**Description:** Research and development problems which include literature surveys, equipment design and operation, and development of correlations.**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Min credits per semester:** 1**Max credits per semester:** 6**Max credits per degree:** 6**Grading Option:** Graded with Option**CHME 499H Honors Thesis****Prerequisites:** Senior standing in chemical engineering, admission to the University Honors Program.**Description:** Honors thesis research project meeting the requirements of the University Honors Program. Independent research project executed under the guidance of a member of the faculty of the Department of Chemical Engineering which contributes to the advancement of knowledge in the field. Culminates in the presentation of an honors thesis to the department and college.**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Min credits per semester:** 1**Max credits per semester:** 6**Max credits per degree:** 6**Grading Option:** Graded**PLEASE NOTE**

This document represents a sample 4-year plan for degree completion with this major. Actual course selection and sequence may vary and should be discussed individually with your college or department academic advisor. Advisors also can help you plan other experiences to enrich your undergraduate education such as internships, education abroad, undergraduate research, learning communities, and service learning and community-based learning.

Career Information

The following represents a sample of the internships, jobs and graduate school programs that current students and recent graduates have reported.

Jobs of Recent Graduates

- Production Engineer, Archer Daniels Midland - Decatur IL
- Project Engineer, Cargill - Blair NE
- Process Engineer, ExxonMobil Chemical - Beaumont TX
- Process Engineer, Becton Dickinson - Columbus NE
- Assistant Chemical Engineer, Burns and McDonnell - Kansas City MO
- Engineer, Hospira - McPherson KS
- Process Engineer, Koch Industries - Wichita KS
- Chemical Engineer I, Black & Veatch - Kansas City KS
- Process Engineer, POET - Sioux Falls SD
- Environmental Operations Process Engineer, Syngenta Crop Protections LLC - Baton Rouge LA
- Process Engineer, Vishay Intertechnologies - Columbus NE
- Optimized Operations Engineer, 3M - Nevada MO
- Design Engineer, Chevron - Richmond CA
- Process Engineer, ConAgra - Council Bluffs IA
- Associate Maintenance Engineer, Hormel Foods - Lincoln NE
- Manufacturing Engineer, Procter & Gamble - Cape Girardeau MO
- Project Engineer, Streck - Omaha NE
- Process Engineer, DuPont Industrial Biosciences - Cedar Rapids IA
- Process Engineer, Green Plains Renewable Energy - Omaha NE
- Chemical Engineer, Barr Engineering - Salt Lake City UT
- Research & Design Engineer, Hexagon Lincoln - Lincoln NE
- Process Engineer, Novozymes - Blair NE
- Environmental Engineer, CDM Smith - Kansas City MO
- Leadership Development Program, Ardent Mills - Hastings MN
- Quality Engineer, Eaton Corporation - Cleveland OH

Internships

- Chemical Engineering Co-op, UTC Aerospace - York NE
- Chemical Engineering Co-op, ExxonMobil - Houston TX
- EO&T Materials and Process Engineering Intern, The Boeing Company - Seattle WA
- Chemical Engineering Intern, Black & Veatch - Leawood KS
- Maintenance and Reliability Intern, Novozymes - Blair NE
- Soil Sensor Surveyor, Partners in Pollution Prevention - Lincoln NE
- Animal Protein Engineer Intern, Cargill - Schuyler NE
- Production Engineering Intern, Archer Daniels Midland - Fremont NE
- Process Engineer, Koch Fertilizer - Wichita KS
- Sales Engineering Intern, Cleaver Brooks - Lincoln NE

Graduate & Professional Schools

- Doctor of Medicine, University of Nebraska Medical Center - Omaha NE
- Ph.D. Chemical Engineering, Stanford University - Palo Alto CA
- Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering, Ph.D., University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Lincoln NE
- Juris Doctor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Law - Lincoln NE
- Petroleum Engineering, Ph.D., Texas A&M University - College Station TX
- Chemical Engineering, Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh - Pittsburgh PA
- Materials Science, Ph.D., University of California-Santa Barbara - Santa Barbara CA
- Materials Science, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin - Madison NE
- Science Teaching, M.A., University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Lincoln NE
- Mathematics Education, M.A., The City College of New York - New York NY