

Transferring credit for chemistry courses taken at other institutions.

If you are considering taking a chemistry course at another institution, you should carefully discuss with your academic advisor, the chair of your major department or program, the Registrar and/or pre-professional advisors how this credit may or may not satisfy requirements of Kenyon College, your major, or graduate/professional programs to which you apply.

The Chair of the Chemistry Department can approve that a chemistry course (lecture or lab) at another institution can serve as an “equivalent” to a course taught at Kenyon, based on the content of the course and the required hours and work involved. The Chemistry Department Chair can also approve a course at another institution to count towards a requirement of the *chemistry* major/minor; approval for a chemistry course to count towards a requirement of *any other* major must come from the department or program chair of that major.

In addition, chemistry courses at another institution cannot serve as a pre-requisite for other chemistry courses at Kenyon. For example, although the Chemistry Department Chair can approve that a year of introductory chemistry with lab at another institution can serve as an equivalent of a year of introductory chemistry at Kenyon, it would not satisfy the pre-requisite for enrolling into Organic Chemistry at Kenyon. The exception to this rule is for transfer students who come to Kenyon having completed chemistry course work at their previous institution; they should discuss transfer credit and pre-requisites with their academic advisor and the Chemistry Department Chair.

If you plan to apply chemistry course work from another institution towards the requirements for graduate or professional schools, we encourage you to seek advice on this as soon as possible. In particular, you may find that taking required introductory chemistry or organic chemistry courses during the summer at other schools can significantly weaken a medical school application.

The Registrar’s Office determines how credit hours and grades are transferred between institutions.

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