



Course Specifications

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| Course Title: | Advanced Physical Chemistry |
| Course Code: | 531CHEM-2 |
| Program: | Master of Science in Chemistry |
| Department: | Chemistry |
| College: | Science |
| Institution: | King Khalid University |

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A. Course Identification

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| 1. Credit hours: 2 |
| 2. Course type a. University <input type="checkbox"/> College <input type="checkbox"/> Department <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> b. Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elective <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Level/year at which this course is offered: Level 1 / Year 1 |
| 4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any): No prerequisite |
| 5. Co-requisites for this course (if any): No co-requisite |

6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

| No | Mode of Instruction | Contact Hours | Percentage |
|----|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1 | Traditional classroom | 1 | 50% |
| 2 | Blended | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | E-learning | 1 | 50% |
| 4 | Correspondence | 0 | 0% |
| 5 | Other | 0 | 0% |

7. Actual Learning Hours (based on academic semester)

| No | Activity | Learning Hours |
|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Contact Hours | | |
| 1 | Lecture | 15 |
| 2 | Laboratory/Studio | 0 |
| 3 | Tutorial | 15 |
| 4 | Others (specify) | 0 |
| | Total | 30 |
| Other Learning Hours* | | |
| 1 | Study | 45 |
| 2 | Assignments | 20 |
| 3 | Library | 15 |
| | Total | 80 |

* The length of time that a learner takes to complete learning activities that lead to achievement of course learning outcomes, such as study time, homework assignments, projects, preparing presentations, library times

B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

This course covers key concepts in physical chemistry which underpin the understanding and ability to control chemical processes. The principal points include chemical kinetics (zero, 1st and 2nd order reactions, rate laws and half-lives and the relationship of rate laws to reaction mechanisms), and basic principles of catalysis (heterogeneous and homogeneous) and reactions in solutions. A strong emphasis on calculations helps students get to grips with the course material and develops numeracy skills.

2. Course Main Objectives

Understand the concepts of chemical kinetics principles.



Determine the rate law parameters from the method of initial rates.

Determine the rate law parameters using the integrated rate laws and statistical method.

- Use the Arrhenius equation to statistically determine the activation energy and the preexponential factor for a given reaction.
- Relate a reaction mechanism to the stoichiometry of the balanced chemical equation.
- Differentiate between types of reaction mechanisms.
- Apply the steady-state hypothesis to predict rate equations.
- Determine the effects of a rate-determining step on the overall rate.
- Understand macroscopic properties, such as pressure and temperature on a microscopic level using kinetic model of gases.
- Understand the principles of the kinetics theories.
- Predict the reaction rate using the kinetics theories.
- Relate the rate constant to the terms of the Gibbs energy, entropy, and enthalpy of activation.
- Differentiate between the catalysis reaction types.
- Understand the mechanisms of enzyme catalysis and inhibition.
- Explain the mode of inhibition.
- Determine the adsorption parameters for a reaction at the solid surface.
- Understand the dynamics behind the liquid solutions and solid surfaces reactions.
- Understand the factors that control the molecular motions in the solutions and gases.
- Estimate the factors that control the diffusion-controlled reactions and activation controlled reaction.
- Determine the influence of the ionic strength on the reaction rates.



3. Course Learning Outcomes

| CLOs | | Aligned PLOs |
|------|--|---------------|
| 1 | Knowledge: | |
| 1.1 | To determine the order of various types of reactions. | K1 |
| 1.2 | To recognize the importance of the kinetics in industrial procedures | K1 and K3 |
| 2 | Skills | |
| 2.1 | To compare between different methods of determination of reaction order | S1 and S4 |
| 2.2 | To connect between the theoretical studies and the industrial applications | S1 and S3 |
| 2.2 | To solve any problems in the industrial fields in the future | S1 |
| 3 | Competence | |
| 3.1 | To demonstrate responsibility on the adoption of a research problem to be searched on. | C2, C3 and C4 |
| 3.2 | To implement appropriate parameters properly in special environment | C2, C3 and C4 |
| 3.3 | To determine the order of various types of reactions. | C1 |

C. Course Content

| No | List of Topics | Contact Hours |
|----|--|---------------|
| 1 | Mathematical Background Review | 3 |
| 2 | Coordinate Systems | |
| 3 | Logarithms and Exponentials | |
| 4 | Differentiation and Integration | |
| | The Rates of Chemical Reactions | 10 |
| 6 | Introduction | |
| 7 | Rates of Chemical Reactions | |
| 8 | Linear Regression Demonstration | |
| 9 | Differential and Integrated Rate Laws | |
| 10 | Zero-Order Reaction | |
| 11 | First-Order Reaction | |
| 12 | Second-Order Reaction | |
| 13 | Temperature Dependence of Rate Constants | |
| 14 | Examples of Reaction Mechanisms | |
| 15 | Opposing Reactions | |
| 16 | Parallel Reactions | |
| 17 | Consecutive Reactions | |
| 18 | Unimolecular Reactions | |
| | Theories of Reaction Rates | 7 |
| | Introduction | |
| | The Kinetic Theory of Gases | |
| | The Kinetic Model of Gases | |



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| | Collisions with Walls and Surfaces | |
| | Reaction Encounters | |
| | Collision Theory | |
| | Transition State Theory (TST) | |
| | Catalysis | 5 |
| | Introduction | |
| | Homogeneous Catalysis | |
| | Enzymes | |
| | Heterogeneous Catalysis | |
| | The Nature of Catalytic Sites on Solid Surfaces | |
| | Adsorption and Desorption | |
| | The Adsorption Isotherms | |
| | Heats of Adsorption | 5 |
| | Reactions in Solutions | |
| | The Cage Effect and Friction | |
| | Diffusion-Controlled Reactions | |
| | Reaction Rates and Ionic Strength | |
| Total | | 30 |

D. Teaching and Assessment

1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

| Code | Course Learning Outcomes | Teaching Strategies | Assessment Methods |
|------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1.0 | Knowledge | | |
| 1.1 | To determine the order of various types of reactions. | Lectures, Interactive teaching sessions | Written exams, electronic quizzes |
| 1.2 | To recognize the importance of the kinetics in industrial procedures | Lectures, Interactive teaching sessions | Written exams, electronic quizzes |
| 2.0 | Skills | | |
| 2.1 | To compare between different methods of determination of reaction order | Lectures, problem solving sessions | Written and oral exams |
| 2.2 | To connect between the theoretical studies and the industrial applications | Tutorials, problem solving sessions | Oral discussion, written examinations |
| | To solve any problems in the industrial fields in the future | Tutorials, problem solving sessions | Oral discussion, written examinations |
| 3.0 | Competence | | |
| 3.1 | To demonstrate responsibility on the adoption of a research problem to be searched on. | Open essays on selected topics | Discussion within a group |
| 3.2 | To implement appropriate parameters properly in special environment | Interactive teaching sessions | Oral presentation on a group report |



2. Assessment Tasks for Students

| # | *Assessment task | Week Due | Percentage of Total Assessment Score |
|---|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | Homework 1, Quiz -1 | 4 th | 5 |
| 2 | Oral discussion (exam) | 5 th | 5 |
| 3 | Presentation | 7 th | 5 |
| 4 | Homework 2, Quiz -2 | 9 th | 5 |
| 5 | Mid-1 | 6 th | 15 |
| 6 | Mid-2 | 10 th | 15 |
| 7 | Final exam | 16 th | 50 |

*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice :

10 office hours are offered for students for individual consultations. Communications are available on-site, phone conversations, and chatting by social media. In addition, each student has a scientific guide presents the required counseling

F. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. Learning Resources

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| Required Textbooks | E. House, Principles of Chemical Kinetics, 2nd ed. Elsevier 2007. |
| Essential References Materials | P. Atkins, J. dePaula, Physical Chemistry Oxford University Press, 9 th ed. 2009. P. L. Houston, Chemical Kinetics and Reaction Dynamics, Dover Publications, 1 st ed. 2006. |
| Electronic Materials | Saudi Digital Library |
| Other Learning Materials | No other learning materials. |

2. Facilities Required

| Item | Resources |
|---|---|
| Accommodation Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration) (.rooms/labs, etc | A classroom containing at least 20 seats and equipped with projector and Internet access (scheduled for 2 hour twice a week). A help session classroom containing at least 20 seats and equipped with projector and Internet access (scheduled for 1 hour every week). |
| Technology Resources (.AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc) | Common computer lab containing at least 25 computer sets. |



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| | High speed internet access. |
| Other Resources Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or (attach a list) | Colored Printers. |

G. Course Quality Evaluation

| Evaluation Areas/Issues | Evaluators | Evaluation Methods |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Course delivering | Student | Questionnaire |
| Course contents (update) | Plan and curriculum committee | Report |
| Teaching materials | Faculty | Meeting |
| Learning materials | Student | Discussion |
| Assignment | Program instructor and Faculty | Report |
| Exams | Program instructor and Faculty | Report |

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

H. Specification Approval Data

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| Council / Committee | Chemistry Department Council |
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