

### COURSE DATA

Data Subject				
Code	36361			
Name	Chemistry			
Cycle	Grade			
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### SUMMARY

General Chemistry is a basic course taught during the first semester of first year Grade in Gastronomical Sciences. Current study plan (curriculum) includes 4,5 theoretical credits and 1,5 laboratory credits.

The theoretical part attempts to provide the student the concepts and bases of chemistry in general, with special emphasis to those concerning the chemical elements and their compounds, with an special focus in the components of foods. At the same time, it is our interest to highlight a scientific vision of reality, a fundamental aspect of university education. Students should achieve solid bases to enterpret and build the potential applications and uses of the chemical compounds that are components of foods, not only to undertake the study of other courses with chemical contents, but also in carrying out the different aspects of the professional activities specific to this Grade.

Concerning classroom lectures, they attempt that students consolidate and expand their knowledge on atomic structure, chemical bonding (both, in individual molecules and in solids), stoichiometric relationships, acid-base concepts, oxidation-reduction, and reactivity, as well as those principles determining kinetics and thermodynamic aspects of chemical transformations, applied at the chemical components of foods



With respect to laboratory work, students should achieve basic technical skills and be able to perform

experimental studies concerning some of the concepts covered in the theoretical lectures.

### PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

#### Relationship to other subjects of the same degree

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

#### **Other requirements**

Formulation and stoichiometry basic knowledge

## COMPETENCES (RD 1393/2007) // LEARNING OUTCOMES (RD 822/2021)

#### 1212 - Degree in Gastronomic Sciences

- Know the structure and properties of biological macromolecules and their relationship with the function that they perform.
- Students must have acquired knowledge and understanding in a specific field of study, on the basis of general secondary education and at a level that includes mainly knowledge drawn from advanced textbooks, but also some cutting-edge knowledge in their field of study.
- Students must have the ability to gather and interpret relevant data (usually in their field of study) to make judgements that take relevant social, scientific or ethical issues into consideration.
- Students must be able to communicate information, ideas, problems and solutions to both expert and lay audiences.
- Students must have developed the learning skills needed to undertake further study with a high degree of autonomy.
- Plan, order and channel activities in such a way that unforeseen events are avoided as much as possible, possible problems are foreseen and minimised, and solutions are anticipated.
- Adquirir la formación básica para formular hipótesis, recoger e interpretar la información para la resolución de problemas siguiendo el método científico y comprendiendo la importancia y las limitaciones del pensamiento científico.
- Learn the fundamentals for using the scientific equipment directly related to professional activity.
- Be able to engage in new fields of gastronomy in general through independent study.
- Ser capaz de trabajar en equipo y de organizar y planificar actividades, teniendo en cuenta, siempre, una perspectiva de género.
- Resolver tareas o realizar trabajos en el tiempo asignado para ello manteniendo la calidad del resultado.



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- Be able to distribute time appropriately for carrying out individual or group tasks.
- Ser capaz de realizar las aproximaciones requeridas con el objeto de reducir un problema hasta un nivel manejable.
- Conocer los fundamentos químicos de aplicación en gastronomía.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES (RD 1393/2007) // NO CONTENT (RD 822/2021)

- Undestanding of the atomic structure, chemical bonding (both in molecules and in solid state), stequiometry, chemical equilibrium, acid-base, redox, chemical reactivity, and chemical transformations (kinetics and Thermodynamics)

- Undestanding of the physicochemical properties of food
- knowledge of changes underwent by food during processing

### **DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS**

#### **1. CHEMISTRY IN THE KITCHEN: A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE**

First cooking. Development of culinary gastronomy. Culinary science. Science and Cooking: a conversation. Scientists. Gastronomy. Chemistry and kitchen.

#### 2. STRUCTURE OF MATTER

Inside the atom. The atomic nucleus. Isotopes. Quantum model for the atom. Schrödinger equation for the hydrogen atom. Electronic configurations. The periodic table of elements. Periodicity. Periodic properties.

#### 3. CHEMICAL BONDING. MOLECULES AND INTERMOLECULAR FORCES

Introduction to the Chemical bonding. Chemical bonding and energetic stability. Ionic bonding. Covalent bonding. Metalic bonding. Intermolecular forces. States of matter. Disperse systems: gels, emulsions and foams

#### 4. WATER

Water in the kitchen. Structure of water. Properties of water. Water as solvent. Acidity and alcalinity. pH



# 5. FOOD MOLECULES (I)

Food chemistry: nutrition and biomolecules. Functional groups. Chemical structure of molecules and food: aminoacids and proteins. Denaturation of proteins

#### 6. FOOD MOLECULES (II)

Food chemistry: carbohydrates and lipids

#### 7. CHEMICAL CHANGES IN FOOD

Chemical reactions. Basic concepts: speed of reaction, speed equation and reaction order. Reaction mechanisms. Temperature effect on reaction speed. Activation energy. Catalysis. Redox reactions. Hydrolisis of sugars. Maillard reactions. Caramelization reactions. Browning reactions. Fat oxidation. Hydrogenation of fatty acids. Trans fats. Fruit ripening. Fermentation

#### 8. ADDITIVES

Definition and classification of chemical additives. Preservatives. Substances responsible for smell and taste. Additives for colour modification. Additives for texture modification. Other types of additives.

#### 9. LABORATORY SESSIONS

BASIC LABORATORY MATERIALS AND PREPARATION OF SOLUTIONS

Use of laboratory equipment.

Basic operation of chemical reagents, waste and safety procedures

Preparation of solutions

SEPARATION OF MIXTURES.

Basic laboratory techniques: mass and volumen measurements, filtration, separation, centrifugation, etc. ACID-BASE EQUILIBRIA. BUFFER SOLUTIONS.

pH determination of foods

Potentiometric titration of acetic acid.

Determination of acidity of commercial vinegar.

Determination of milk acidity.

Preparation of buffer solutions and testing its buffer capacity.

REDOX REACTIONS.

electrochemical cell

Redox reactions in test tube

SO2 determination



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### WORKLOAD

ACTIVITY	Hours	% To be attended
Theory classes	45,00	100
Laboratory practices	15,00	100
Development of group work	4,00	0
Development of individual work	4,00	0
Study and independent work	15,00	0
Readings supplementary material	6,00	0
Preparation of evaluation activities	10,00	0
Preparing lectures	30,00	0
Preparation of practical classes and problem	15,00	0
Resolution of case studies	6,00	0
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### TEACHING METHODOLOGY

This course is structured in three types of activities: theory lectures, tutorials (recitations), seminars, and laboratory sessions.

Study of theory contents. Students should acquire the basic knowledge included in the syllabus by means of their individual study and assistance to the lectures. During such lectures, the professor will set and explain a global perspective of each subject, will emphasize the key concepts needed for its understanding, and will answer questions from the students. To help in their individual study and in depth preparation of each subject, students will be provided with basic and complementary bibliography, internet addresses and supporting computer equipment, as well as the instructions and advice for handling information sources.

Laboratory work. Laboratory sessions are structured around four main components. In the first place, students must undertake a preparatory work before going to the laboratory, consisting in an effort to understand the laboratory guide provided for each experiment, review of the theoretical concepts involved, answering a set of previous questions, and preparing an outline of work process. During lab attendance, the professor will make a brief explanation of the keys aspects of the experimental work to be undertaken and will assist and monitor the students during the session. The student should analyze the observed facts and will answer some post-laboratory questions. By the end of the course all students will take a written exam on some questions directly related with the carried-out experiments.

Tutorials. During tutorials are meant to solve any doubt raised during theory lectures and to orient students about the most effective work methodology to improve their learning performance.



Coordinated Seminars. Students may have to prepare and make an oral presentation of a work on a subject of current interest relative to the course outline.

Attendance to seminars, laboratory sessions and tutorials is mandatory. Missing seminar and tutorial attendance will have a negative impact on the final grade. Missing any of the laboratory session will prevent passing the course.

### EVALUATION

The final mark has three contributions:

- Written exam: 75%
- Laboratory sessions: 15%
- Student optional work and oral presentation of the results: 10%

To pass Chemistry the student mark must be 5/10 both in the written exam and in the laboratory sessions.

### REFERENCES

#### Basic

 QUÍMICA GENERAL Enlace Químico y Estructura de la Materia. Petrucci R.H., Harwood, W.S. y Herring F.G. Prentice Hall. Octava edición, 2003.(Vol.I)
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### ADDENDUM COVID-19

This addendum will only be activated if the health situation requires so and with the prior agreement of the Governing Council



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