

A Level Chemistry at RPS



Why study Chemistry?

One of the most **respected** and **impressive** A-Levels to have, in both science and non-science related careers.

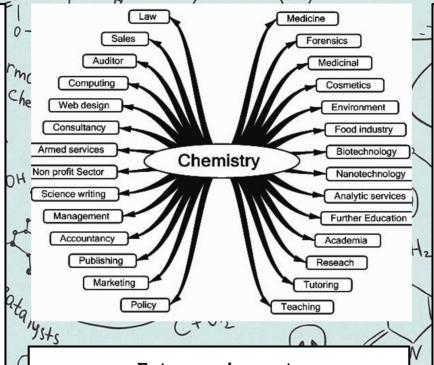
Chemistry plays a role in almost every action on earth, in every object we touch. If you're interested in understanding, contributing to and improving the world around you, then Chemistry will open doors you may not have even thought of.

Great opportunity to develop your logic, problem-solving, numeracy and creativity, whilst preparing you for the most challenging and competitive degrees and careers.

Chemists are 15% more likely to be employed than other careers (and they're paid more too!). Over 70% will enter a professional

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Entry requirements

Minimum of GCSE grade 6 in Chemistry or

<u>Minimum</u> of GCSE grade 6,6 in Combined Science

Minimum of GCSE grade 6 in Maths

Minimum of GCSE grade 5 in English Language

What do we expect of you?

Organised - keep on top of your notes.

Motivated to **study outside of lessons.**

Ask for help when you need it.

Revise for every test as if it counts towards your final grade - it's the only way to make progress.

Resilient - Chemistry is not easy and you won't always hit your target grade on the first go at a topic.

In it for the long haul - it will take the whole 2 years of hard work, to get to the grade you'd like.

But it is so worth it!

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A Level Course Structure



Exam Board: OCR

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Course: A Level Chemistry A

Course code: H432

Assessment

Paper 1:

37% of A Level

Periodic table, elements, physical chemistry

Paper 2:

37% of A Level

Organic synthesis and Analytical techniques

Paper 3:

26% of A Level

Unified chemistry (content from all modules)

Section 4:

Practical endorsement (PAGs)

<u>non-exam</u> <u>component</u>

Course content

Module 1 - Development of practical skills in Chemistry

In written examinations and in PAGs

Module 3 - Periodic table and energy

Periodicity, groups 2 & 7, qualitative analysis, enthalpy changes, rates, equilibria

Module 5 - Physical
Chemistry and transition
elements

Rates, equilibria, pH & buffers, enthalpy, entropy, redox, transition elements

Module 2 - Foundations in Chemistry

Atoms, compounds, equations, Amounts of substance, acid-base and redox reactions, electrons and bonding

Module 4 - Core organic Chemistry

Hydrocarbons, alcohols, haloalkanes, organic synthesis, analytical techniques

Module 6 - Organic chemistry & analysis

aromatic/carbonyl/nitrogen compounds, polymers, synthesis, advanced analytical techniques