Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

MSc in Chemistry (MSCCHEM) Programme

1. What is the eligibility for MSc in Chemistry Programme through Distance Mode at IGNOU?

The eligibility for MSc in Chemistry Programme is as under:

- Graduates with B.Sc. (Major/ Honours) Degree in Chemistry from a recognised University.
- Graduates with a B.Sc. Degree (or equivalent) from a recognised university with Chemistry as one of three science subjects with equal weightage
- Graduates with a B.Sc. Degree from an Open University with a minimum of 20 Credits of Chemistry courses.

2. Are the B.Tech. / B. Pharm. graduates eligible for the MSc in Chemistry Programme at IGNOU?

The B. Tech. / B. Pharm. graduates are **NOT** eligible for the MSc in Chemistry Programme at IGNOU

3. Is there any entrance exam for admission to MSc in Chemistry programme?

No, there is no entrance exam. You can directly take admission online.

4. Is there any cut off for admission to MSc in Chemistry programme?

No, there is no cut off. You need to meet the eligibility criteria as in (1) above

5. Is there any age limit for admission to MSc in Chemistry programme?

No, there is no age limit for admission to MSc in Chemistry Programme at IGNOU

6. What is the fee for the MSc in Chemistry programme?

The fee is Rs. 20,200/- per year (i.e., a total of Rs 20,200 x 2= Rs. 40,400). In addition, you would need to pay Rs 300/- towards registration at the time of admission.

7. What is the duration of the MSc in Chemistry programme?

You can complete the MSc in Chemistry in a minimum of **two** years upto a maximum of **four** years.

8. What is the mode of theory classes?

The theory courses are not taught on a regular basis. However, you will get an opportunity to clear your doubts in the counselling sessions held at the study centres. These are generally held on weekends and are not compulsory to attend. However, you are advised to take advantage of them.

9. How are the lab courses conducted?

The lab courses are conducted in a stand-alone manner. Each lab course is worth 2 credits and would require continuous (9 AM-5.30PM) lab work for one full week (7 days) at the study centre. This will also include the exam for the lab course. *It is mandatory to attend laboratory courses.*

10. How much time will be required for the laboratory courses?

You will need to spend 7 days for each lab course. For example, the first semester has three lab courses so you will need to spend **three weeks** for the laboratory work.

Please note that these courses are conducted by the study centres as per their convenience and there is **no fixed schedule** for the same.

Also, all the lab courses are not conducted in one go. These will be held at different times.

11. Whether the theory exams are conducted in annual or semester mode?

The exam in the first year will be conducted after the second semester (i.e., one year), thereafter the exams will be held semester wise.

12. Are IGNOU Degrees Recognised?

IGNOU is a Central University established by an Act of Parliament in 1985 (Act No.50 of 1985) IGNOU Degrees/Diplomas/Certificates are recognized by all member Universities of Association of Indian Universities (AIU) and are at par with Degrees/Diplomas/Certificates of all Indian Universities/Deemed Universities/Institutions

13. Is the programme fee refundable?

Yes, the programme fee is refundable as per the following:

If a student applies for cancellation of application/admission and refund of fee, the refund request will be considered as per the University policy as under:

Before confirmation of admission: Full Programme fee paid shall be refunded.

After confirmation of admission:

Within 15 days of confirmation of admission: Programme Fee paid shall be refunded after deduction of Rs.500/- .

Within 16-90 days of confirmation of admission: Programme Fee paid shall be refunded after deduction of Rs.1000/- .

After 90 days of confirmation of admission: No refund shall be allowed.

14. There is no study centre near my place of stay. If I take admission in an available study centre, then can I change my study centre?

For now, only a few study centres are activated. More such centres will be activated soon. Once a study centre is available near you, you can seek transfer.

15. How do I take admission in MSc in Chemistry programme at IGNOU?

For admission:

Visit: https://ignouadmission.samarth.edu.in/ or SCAN:

