

Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

A = Approve I = Information Item R = Respond In Writing

Course Number: Chem 113

or Degree Plan(s):

	Campus-Level Academic Review ¹	Chair	Faculty	Department	College	University
	Change to a Course Include signatures from all chairs/program directors for cross-listed courses. ¹					
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	A	A	I	I
5.	Number of credit hours	A	A	A	A	A
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A	A
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I	I
9.	Course restriction (e.g., majors only, junior standing)	A	A	A	A	A
10.	Level change (U to G or G to U)	A	A	A	A	A
11.	Cross list course	A	A	A	A	A
12.	Department of record	A	A	A	A	A
13.	Open or close a course	A	A	A	A	A
	Change to a Degree Plan					
14.	Educational Program — Revise	A	A	A	A	A
15.	Educational Program — Adopt/revise admission requirements	A	A	A	A	A
16.	GPA — Revise program-required GPA	A	A	A	A	A
17.	Minor — Revise	A	A	A	A	A

		Provost	Senior Vice President	Dean	Department Chair	Faculty	Student	Alumni	Parents	Community
	Full Review									
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)									
18.	General requirements for Bachelor's and Associate Degrees	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
19.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
20.	Requirements for graduating with honors	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan									
21.	Educational Program — Add or Discontinue ^{2 3}	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
22.	Educational Program — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I
23.	Minor — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
24.	Minor — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	-	A	I
25.	Degree — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
26.	Degree — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I

	Change to General Education Requirements for Undergraduates (System)	Provost	Senior Vice President	Dean	Department Chair	Faculty	Student	Alumni	Parents	Community
27.	Change course outcomes of an included course	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
28.	Add or drop a required course from the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	A	A	I
29.	Add or drop a course from a menu within the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	-	A	I
30.	Comprehensive revision of General Education Requirements	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I

Notes

² Any change to a cross-listed course requires the signature of both department chairs or program directors overseeing the course to ensure that the courses stay in sync. This includes courses taught at other campuses (e.g. BIBL 101 and BIBO 101).

³ For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible. Master's programs must include a minimum of 30 hours, and doctoral programs must include a minimum of 30 hours beyond the master's.

⁴ When a department/school or dean proposes closing a program, approval routing follows the typical process beginning with the department/school. An administrative proposal by the provost or senior vice president for academic affairs would follow the "provost-proposed" routing on the chart.

Department/School(s)



10/16/23

Chair Signature

Date

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Chair/Program Director Signature

Date

College Academic Council(s)

Chair Signature

Date

Chair Signature

Date

Dean(s)

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

Teacher Education Council

Signature

Date

Campus Academic Council:
Abilene Undergraduate or Abilene Graduate

Signature

Date

Provost

Signature

Date

University General Education Council

Signature

Date

University Faculty

Abilene Faculty Senate Chair signature

Date

Dallas Faculty Council Chair signature

Date

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Signature

Date

President

Signature

Date

The current prerequisite for Chem 113 Introductory Chemistry is: "ACT math score of 21 or above; or MATH SAT (prior to March 1, 2016) score of 550 or above; or MATH SAT (after March 1, 2016) score of 570 or above; or credit for MATH 120 or above."

We would like to modify it to:

"ACT math score of 21 or above; ~~or MATH SAT (prior to March 1, 2016) score of 550 or above;~~ or MATH SAT ~~(after March 1, 2016)~~ score of 570 or above; or credit for MATH/MATW 109, MATH/MATW 120, or MATH/MATW 123 with a minimum grade of "C", or MATH 124 or MATH 185; or mathematics placement testing into MATH 124 or MATH 185."

Reason for changes:

Overall, this reflects the current practice (except the "C" portion). All of the rest of the things are exceptions we make to let students in the class.

MATH/MATW 109, MATH/MATW 120, or MATH/MATW 123 with a minimum grade of "C"

1. When this was written, MATW classes did not exist and so we would like to incorporate that option.
2. General Chemistry I (Chem 133) requires MATH 109, so we would like to make that the same minimum for CHEM 113.
3. Minimum grade of "C" - Often students' biggest struggle in CHEM 113 is the math portion of the class. If students make a D in those courses, they are not math ready for CHEM 113.

MATH 124 or MATH 185; or mathematics placement testing into MATH 124 or MATH 185

1. These are the current requirements for General Chemistry I (CHEM 133). Since this provides enough evidence of math readiness for CHEM 133, it should be sufficient for CHEM 113.
2. Now that ACU is test optional, the math placement testing gives the students a way to test into CHEM 113 just like they can into CHEM 133.