

What can I do with a degree in...

Chemistry



Why Warwick?

- Our graduates are the **most often targeted by the UK's top graduate employers** (*Graduate Market 2017, research conducted by High Fliers Research*)
- In the QS World University Rankings, Warwick is ranked **in the top 25 in the world for employer reputation** (*QS World University Rankings 2016/17*)
- Warwick is **highly ranked in the major university league tables**: 9th overall in the Times and Sunday Times (September 2017); 8th in the Complete University Guide (April 2017); and 8th in the Guardian league table (May 2017)

Employment destinations of our recent graduates*: warwick.ac.uk/whatdowarwickgradsdo.

About Chemistry

Chemistry is an extremely versatile degree that will allow you to develop a range of practical and theoretical skills highly valued in the world of both work and academia. The ability to analyse and interpret data, anticipate and solve complex problems and communicate information concisely and creatively is highly valued in Chemistry graduates. Our courses offer a year in industry, study abroad, and shorter internship options. Some examples include a year working in a chemical, pharmaceutical or manufacturing company or 6 months studying at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia. There are also many opportunities to hear from and speak to alumni working in fields ranging from analytical chemistry, finance, advertising and PR at regular events.

What do Chemistry graduates do?

- Research and Development Scientist
- Production Radiochemist
- Finance Analyst
- Psychological Evaluator
- Trainee Patent Attorney
- Publishing Editor
- Secondary School Chemistry Teacher
- Data Analyst
- IT Project Manager

Sectors where graduates were working include:

- Professional Services
- Manufacturing
- Healthcare
- Science and technology
- Accountancy/Finance
- Marketing
- Education
- Retail
- Digital Media

Further study undertaken by graduates includes:

- PhD/MSc/PGCE/GDL - Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Theoretical and Computational Materials Physics, Molecular Analytical Science, Diamond Science and Technology, Medicine
- University of Warwick, University of Oxford, University of Cardiff, University of York, University of Law, University of Nicosia

Sophie Thompson (MChem 2015), Senior Account Executive, Aurora Healthcare Communications

"You may think that a degree in chemistry provides you with just experience in data analysis and lab skills. However, due to the variety of different teaching methods and assignments, my degree at Warwick also helped me to develop skills and experience in writing, organisation, presentation, communication and working with different groups of people. This not only helped me during my role as President of 'Warwick ChemSoc', but has also proven vital in my role at a healthcare communications agency. My current responsibilities range from conducting desk-based research and drafting client documents to media relations and liaising with clients. In particular, being able to communicate effectively both with my clients and with the public has been of the utmost importance. These are skills that my degree helped me develop throughout my time at Warwick."



What do graduate recruiters look for?

- ✓ A good degree from a good university
- ✓ Work experience
- ✓ Involvement in extra-curricular activities
- ✓ The ability to describe and articulate their unique achievements and skills

Opportunities available at Warwick include:

- Academic study skills support
- Careers support from our professionally trained staff
- Opportunities to meet recruiters and attend events
- More than 200 clubs and societies
- Help finding work experience
- Free careers support after graduation

*The government requires all universities to survey graduates six months after they leave to ask about their employment circumstances, through the Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey. For some career paths graduates need to gain relevant experience, often at non-graduate level. It may therefore take some graduates longer than others to secure a graduate-level job.