Interested?

You can find out more at www.open.ac.uk/openplus

If you think OpenPlus is the right route for you, get in touch with us and we’ll advise you how to apply:

Keele University
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You’ll soon be on your way to getting a highly-regarded chemistry degree.

“’The OU, working in partnership with full-time residential universities, has developed a new way to study chemistry. This new route is ideal for people without the usual entry qualifications and it will equip students to meet the opportunities and challenges of a career in this exciting science.”

Dr Tony Ashmore
Registrar, Royal Society of Chemistry

Aiming for a chemistry degree?

OpenPlus is an affordable, flexible way to get there

Scheme endorsed by the Royal Society of Chemistry.
OpenPlus – a unique learning opportunity that gives you more

If you want a chemistry degree – but perhaps your grades, qualifications, finances or family commitments are holding you back – then OpenPlus is just right for you.

In partnership with The Open University

We’ve teamed up with The Open University (OU) to offer you OpenPlus – an alternative and more flexible way into higher education and to achieving a chemistry honours degree. You’ll enjoy world-class course content and delivery, but there are other good reasons for choosing the OpenPlus route:

• accessible – you don’t need any formal qualifications to get started
• affordable – even if you’re in paid employment you may be eligible for generous financial support whilst studying at the OU – find out more at www.open.ac.uk/financialsupport
• achievable – you’re free to fit your OU studies around your lifestyle and balance your learning with your career.

How and where you study

For the first two years you study part time at home through supported open learning with the Open University. Each year you’ll also attend a one-week residential school.

You then complete your degree by studying full time with us for a further two years.

A chemistry degree can change your life for the better

Greater opportunity – you can use your chemical science knowledge and skills in many different careers both inside and outside the laboratory. Education, energy, engineering, journalism, medicine, technology and forensic science are just a few of the realistic possibilities.

Greater reward – getting an honours degree in chemistry means you’re likely to significantly increase your lifetime earnings.

Chemistry @ Keele University

• State-of-the-art teaching laboratory facilities and equipment: Autumn 2009 saw the completion of our £4 million environmentally friendly Chemistry lab – one of the biggest teaching labs in the country!
• Low student: staff ratios
• A wide diversity of Chemistry reflected both in the teaching and research
• Extremely good performance in the National Student Survey: 97 % of final year students satisfied with our course; 3rd in UK for Student Satisfaction for Chemistry/Medicinal Chemistry Course
• High quality innovative teaching
• Support in making the transition from OU study
• Personal and Year Tutors to monitor welfare and personal professional development

What you can study at Keele University

BSc Dual Honours Chemistry WITH Forensic Science (involves 50:50 Chemistry:FS in Year 2 and 100% Chemistry in Year 3)
BSc Honours Chemistry (Major) AND Forensic Science (involves 50:50 Chemistry:FS in Year 2 and Year 3)
BSc Dual Honours Medicinal Chemistry WITH Forensic Science (involves 50:50 Chemistry:FS in Year 2 and 100% Medicinal Chemistry in Year 3)
BSc Honours Medicinal Chemistry (Major) AND Forensic Science (involves 50:50 Medicinal Chemistry:FS in Year 2 and Year 3)

Membership of professional institutions

The OU/Keele BSc Chemistry courses are recognised by the Royal Society of Chemistry and graduates can apply to join the Royal Society of Chemistry as an associate member (AMRSC).