Chemistry Department – Waitlist & Permission Policy

If the needed class section is full, interested students should join the class waitlist through Wolverine Access backpack/registration as soon as possible. The Chemistry Department is unable to place any student on a waitlist. If a waitlist is not available for that class, students should check class availability often via Wolverine Access or the LSA Online Course Guide.

Enrollment permissions will be issued throughout the registration period as space becomes available in the class and students will receive notification of the permission via email. Enrollment capacity for a course is limited by physical room size and instructor availability.

All enrollment permissions are of limited duration. If a student fails to enroll by the permission expiration date, the student will automatically be dropped from the class waitlist. Students are responsible for checking their University of Michigan email account regularly for notification of permission to enroll and to complete their registration before the permission expires.

Priority is given to students based on the following:

First: Students who are declared with a major within the Department of Chemistry.

Second: Class standing, priority given to seniors.

Third: Waitlist position.

Special Instructions for Labs (CHEM 125, CHEM 211, CHEM 216, etc.)

Lab classes are often in high demand and it is recommended to enroll/waitlist as soon as possible. We do not open waitlists for labs if there are open sections elsewhere in the course.

Enrolled students must attend the first meeting of their lab to maintain their registration in that class or will be at high risk of being dropped from that course without further notice.

Students who are waitlisted after classes begin should attend the first meeting of the lab to be considered for any unclaimed seats. Students who are not physically present will not be considered for enrollment. Any available openings will be assigned beginning with waitlisted students by chronological order of their waitlist position.

If a student who is not on a waitlist would like to enroll, they should also attend the first meeting of the lab, however, they will only be considered after all present waitlisted students have been placed.

Most Chemistry lab courses will only allow students to register through the first or second meeting of the lab for the semester.

Students with questions about enrolling for a CHEM course should contact the Chemistry Student Services Office at chemundergrad@umich.edu; CHEM course instructors do not issue enrollment permissions.