



COURSE GUIDE 2026/27

Faculty 215 - Faculty of Chemistry

Cycle .

Degree GQUIMI20 - Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry

Year Second year

COURSE

26125 - Experimental Inorganic Chemistry

Credits, ECTS: 6

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course includes a set of practices with which it is intended that the student obtains a broad vision of the methods of synthesis in inorganic chemistry, becomes familiar with the working material and obtains conclusions that can be projected in new preparations.

COMPETENCIES/LEARNING RESULTS FOR THE SUBJECT

The objective of these demonstration is for the student to get familiarized with a range of synthesis methods in inorganic chemistry, with inorganic chemistry labware and the student should be able to plan new preparations.

In this subject the student will develop basic competences defined in RD 1393/2007 for this level in Chemistry. He/she will also develop general competences M2.T1, M2.T2, M2.T3 and M2.T4 of the fundamental module. At the same time he/she will evolve specific competences in inorganic chemistry, such as, the safe manipulation of chemicals and inorganic compounds bearing in mind their properties and specific risks, planning and carrying out simple synthesis using the appropriate methods. Also, the student should be able to apply the knowledge acquired about the properties, methods of obtainment of the most representative compounds, and apply simple methods of characterization to those inorganic compounds. In this way this subject will contribute to the development of M2.12 and M2.13 competences.

The vertical and horizontal coordination competence of the subject in the Module and in the Grade lies on the Grade Coordination Commission.

Theoretical and Practical Contents

Introduction to safety in the laboratory. Commonly used toxic and dangerous substances. The laboratory book. Experiments at the microscale. Basic procedures.
 Reactivity of s and p block elements. Acid-base character. Redox properties. Solubility. Stability and characteristic reactions of the most common elements and simple compounds.
 Characteristic reactions of transition metals. Reactions in water solution. Study of the predominant species depending on the pH. Oxoanion formation. Solubility and formation and stability of complexes.
 Obtainment of elements and simple coordination compounds: obtainment of metals starting from their oxides. Obtainment of compounds of industrial interest. Preparation of simple coordination compounds.
 Identification and characterization of simple inorganic salts: flame test, solubility in different media, pH, reaction with acids, etc.

TEACHING METHODS

7 Seminars with information necessary for the realization of the internships.
 20 three-hour practical sessions.
 In the sessions they will perform:
 Reactivity tests in test tubes
 Synthesis of double salts
 Synthesis of complex salts

TYPES OF TEACHING

Types of teaching	M	S	GA	GL	GO	GCL	TA	TI	GCA
Hours of face-to-face teaching		12		48					
Horas de Actividad No Presencial del Alumno/a		40		50					

Legend: M: Lecture-based S: Seminar GA: Applied classroom-based groups
 GL: Applied laboratory-based groups GO: Applied computer-based groups GCL: Applied clinical-based groups
 TA: Workshop TI: Industrial workshop GCA: Applied fieldwork groups

Evaluation methods

- Continuous evaluation
- End-of-course evaluation

Evaluation tools and percentages of final mark



- Written test, open questions 30%
- Exercises, cases or problem sets 70%

ORDINARY EXAMINATION PERIOD: GUIDELINES AND OPTING OUT

CONTINUOUS EVALUATION

-Attendance is compulsory

Final mark consists of:

a)Written exam. (30%)

b)Laboratory work/performance/actitude..as well as deliverables (exercises, problems, lab notebook...) (70%).

c)In addition, in order to pass the subject, by the second-third week of the practical lessons, students will have to pass a written test (there will be two chances) about basic and essential concepts related with (inorganic) chemistry (how to prepare solutions, balance reactions and calculate yields). This is a go-no-go test, but does not contribute to the final mark of the subject in case of successfully passing it.

a), b) and c) require, separately, a minimum mark of 5 to pass the subject.

FINAL EVALUATION

The criteria for eligibility for the final evaluation are those laid down in Chapter 2, Article 8 of the Normative regulation of the evaluation of the students of the EHU degrees. The criteria for waiving the continuous call are those set out in Chapter 2, article 12 of the regulation of the evaluation of the students of EHU degrees.

Thos students who decide to take a final evaluation will have to ask for it within the range of dates of the normative. The evaluation of these students will comprise of the same a), b) and c)

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EXTRAORDINARY EXAMINATION PERIOD: GUIDELINES AND OPTING OUT

CONTINUOUS EVALUATION

a)Written exam. (30%)

b)Experimental exam (70%).

c)Minimum knowledge exam (solutions, balancing reactions, yields). (go-no-go)

a)and b) need to be passed separately.

CONTINUOUS EVALUATION

a)Written exam. (30%)

b)Experimental exam (70%).

c)Minimum knowledge exam (solutions, balancing reactions, yields). (go-no-go)

a)and b) need to be passed separately.

MANDATORY MATERIALS

- Labcoat.
- Safety googles.
- Lab globes.
- Spatula.
- Demonstations' guide.
- pH measuring strips

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Journals

In each course it will be indicated in the teaching guide.

Web sites of interest

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OBSERVATIONS

In all qualifying examinations, correct use of the basic concepts related to any area of chemistry must be made. Lack of mastery of these fundamental general concepts may result in failing the exam. These concepts will be defined by the faculty throughout the course.

In addition, the lack of use of an adequate scientific language, as well as the presence of important spelling mistakes, may significantly lower the grade of the test.